

NONPROFIT EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND (NPERF)

Who is eligible to apply?

Colorado registered nonprofit organizations, including those with a nonprofit fiscal partner who are engaged in activities that are legal under Colorado and federal law. Your organization must be in good standing with local, state, and federal taxing and licensing authorities.

This relief program is targeting nonprofit organizations experiencing financial hardships due to the COVID pandemic (increased demand, decreased income, new services). The organization need not be housed in Denver but must attest that the funds will be used to support residents of Denver.

Does the program have any priorities to determine funding? What factors ensure that grants are being awarded in an equitable way?

You are more likely to receive a grant if you are in one or more of these priority categories:

- Nonprofits who are operating within priority neighborhoods including Elyria- Swansea, Globeville, NE Parkhill, East Colfax, Montbello, Sun Valley, Valverde, Villa Park, West Colfax, Westwood. Organizations not located in these neighborhoods but serving these resident will also be prioritized if supporting documentation is provided.
- Nonprofits that provide service to vulnerable populations including under-resourced or historically marginalized groups such as communities of color, older adults, people experiencing poverty or homelessness, immigrants and refugees, people living with disabilities, LGBTQ+, veterans, and the people you serve are represented on your board and/or staff.
- Nonprofits whose pursuit of equity is expansive where language justice, underrepresented groups, and social/economic equity is meaningfully represented.

Can nonprofits re-apply if not selected the first or second time?

Yes, eligible nonprofits are encouraged to re-apply if they have been previously denied.

How long does the selection process take?

Applications are being accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis. You can expect to be notified if awarded within three weeks of your application being received.

https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/denver-office-of-economic-development/housing-neighborhoods/nonprofit-emergency-relief-grants.html