2020 Catalyst Fund Application Process--
Indigenous-led Partnerships

Network for Landscape Conservation (NLC)

Eligibility Requirements
This application is for Indigenous-led Partnerships that serve Indigenous communities working on landscape conservation in the United States. If you meet the criteria for Indigenous-led Partnerships (see RFP), proceed with this application. Otherwise, return to the HOME screen and submit your application via the Landscape Conservation Partnership application process.

Is your partnership Indigenous-led and serving a primarily Indigenous community?*

Choices
Yes
No

*If you answered yes to the above question, continue using this pre-proposal form; if you answered no, please return to the HOME screen and submit your application via the General Catalyst Fund application process.

Applicant Information
What is the relationship of the applicant organization to the Landscape Conservation Partnership?*

If your Landscape Conservation Partnership is not a registered 501(c)(3) or Tribal 7871 organization and another organization is applying on behalf of the Partnership, clarify the relationship by selecting the best descriptor below (if your Partnership is applying directly because it is an eligible organization, select “Not applicable”)

Choices
The applicant is the lead convener of the Partnership.
The applicant is a partner organization within the Partnership.
The applicant is the formal fiscal sponsor organization but otherwise uninvolved in the Partnership.
Not applicable.
Partnership Information

Name of Landscape Conservation Partnership:*  
*Character Limit: 250

Landscape Conservation Partnership Website, if applicable:  
*Character Limit: 2000

Year Launched (ex. 2008)*  
*Character Limit: 4

In which geographic region does this Partnership operate?*  
Select the region that best fits, recognizing that some Partnerships may cross these arbitrary boundaries; more than one region can be selected.  
Note: regions based on the U.S. Census Bureau Regions and Divisions delineations; if you are unsure of your region under this classification system, please click the above link to access a map that clarifies the delineations.

Choices
Northeast: New England
Northeast: Middle Atlantic
South: South Atlantic
South: East South Central
South: West South Central
Midwest: East North Central
Midwest: West North Central
West: Mountain
West: Pacific

Size (in acres) of the Partnership's landscape?*  
Choices
<500,000
500,000-999,999
1 million-5 million
6 million-10 million
11 million-50 million
51 million-100 million
>100 million

How often does the core group of partners within the Partnership meet?*  
Choices
Monthly
Quarterly
Annually
Less frequently
How is the Partnership coordinated/staffed?*

**Choices**
- A paid full-time (.76 or greater FTE) coordination position is staffed.
- A paid part-time (.25-.75 FTE) coordination position is staffed.
- A paid limited part-time (less than .25 FTE) coordination position is staffed.
- Staff member(s) from partner organizations provide part-time, undedicated coordination support.
- Community members or other individuals provide volunteer coordination support.
- No coordination support is currently provided.

Grant Request

**We are requesting:**

**Choices**
- One year grant
- Two year grant

**Total grant amount requested:**

*Character Limit: 20*

**Total budget for proposed activities:**

Please indicate how much the proposed activities will cost in total, including the grant amount request and additional direct match funding (if any).

*Character Limit: 20*

**Total approximate annual budget for your Partnership:**

*Character Limit: 20*

**Total approximate annual budget of applicant organization:**

Only needed if the applicant organization is applying on behalf of a Landscape Conservation Partnership (because the Partnership is not a 501(c)(3) or Tribal 7871 organization). Note: if your organization is a larger umbrella organization, provide the approximate annual budget of the specific chapter or branch that would be administering the grant on behalf of the Partnership.

*Character Limit: 20*

**This proposal has been endorsed by the collaborative leadership structure of the Partnership.**

Note: If invited to submit a full proposal, a letter of endorsement from the Partnership leadership structure will be requested at that point.

**Choices**
- Yes
Not yet (Provide further information in the space below)

If "Not yet," provide a brief explanation of the planned approval process.

*Proposal Title*
Provide a very brief title for your proposal.

*Proposal Purpose*
Succinctly summarize what the funding will enable you to accomplish, why this is important, and the catalytic impact that this will have on your Partnership's ability to achieve its conservation vision.

*Partnership Purpose: Vision and Mission*
Has your Partnership crafted and agreed on a vision/mission statement for the group? If so, please provide the statement(s) (or summary of the Partnership vision and mission if it exceeds space limits) here.

*Partnership Purpose: The vision and mission statement above is:*  
**Choices**
- Formally adopted by Partnership leadership.
- Universally accepted and used by the Partnership but not formally adopted.
- In working draft form.
- Vision and/or mission statements not yet in development.

If the statement(s) is not formally adopted, provide a brief explanation of the planned adoption process.

*Partnership Purpose: Goals*
Briefly expand upon the purpose of your Partnership: What are the specific conservation and associated landscape goals that your Partnership is striving to achieve on the ground?
Landscape Significance*
Provide a brief summarizing description of the Partnership’s landscape, its conservation value from an ecological and cultural perspective, and the threats this landscape faces that you are working to address.
*Character Limit: 1000

Partnership Origins and Progress*
Briefly describe the origins of your Partnership: why was it formed, who led the process, and when? Outline the partnership-building activities that have been accomplished to date. Note here how knowledge sources such as traditional knowledge or Western science are being used to inform your work.
*Character Limit: 1000

Partnership Structure*
Briefly describe how the Partnerships functions: who is in your partnership (one or many tribes? State or Federal agencies? Other NGOs?) and how do you make decisions? Do you have a leadership or governance structure in place? If so, briefly describe. Who do you plan to include going forward? Be clear on the role of Indigenous people and Indigenous perspectives in the Partnership.
*Character Limit: 1000

Proposed Activities and Grant Period Impact*
Outline the specific partnership-building activities that you would like funding to support. What outcomes do you hope to achieve through these activities by the end of the grant period?
*Character Limit: 1500

Longer-term Impact*
What is the impact of this grant for your Partnership in the long term (past the grant period)? How will this current grant work strengthen the fabric of your Partnership and contribute to successfully achieving your Partnership’s conservation vision for the landscape in the longer term? Distinguish between grant period outcomes (previous question) and longer-term impact: how will this grant be catalytic in the longer term?
*Character Limit: 750

Download the preliminary pre-proposal budget template here, to be completed and uploaded to the pre-proposal. If a full proposal is invited, a detailed budget will be requested.
Attachments

**IRS 501(c)(3) Determination Letter.**
Upload a copy of the applicant organization's IRS 501(c)(3) Determination Letter.
*File Size Limit: 5 MB*

**Preliminary pre-proposal budget**
(Click [HERE](#) to download the pre-proposal budget template)

Upload a copy of the completed pre-proposal budget template.
*File Size Limit: 10 MB*

**Map of the Partnership landscape**
If available, upload a map or schematic of the landscape in which the Partnership operates.
Note: if no map is available, this will not influence the evaluation of your pre-proposal.
*File Size Limit: 10 MB*

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**Internal Eligibility Screen**