2020 Catalyst Fund Application Process--Landscape Conservation Partnerships

Network for Landscape Conservation (NLC)

If you are (or are applying on behalf of) an Indigenous-led Partnership that works to advance Indigenous landscape conservation priorities, return to the HOME screen and submit your application via the Indigenous-led Partnerships Catalyst Fund application process. Otherwise, continue using this 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 IRS 501(c)(3) organization and instead a 501(c)(3) partner 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 requested and additional direct match funding.  
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) 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.  
Character Limit: 250

Proposal Narrative

Proposal Title*  
Provide a brief title for your proposal.  
Character Limit: 100
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.

*Character Limit: 400

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

*Character Limit: 750

Partnership Purpose: The vision and/or mission statements above are:*

**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.

*Character Limit: 250

Partnership Purpose: Goals*
Briefly expand upon the purpose of your Partnership: What are the conservation and associated landscape goals that your Partnership is striving to achieve on the ground?

*Character Limit: 1000

Landscape Significance*
Provide a brief summarizing description of the Partnership’s landscape, its conservation significance from an ecological and other landscape values perspective, and any 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, by what entities, and when? Outline the partnership-building activities that have been accomplished to date. Outline what role the best available science is playing in informing progress, and also to what extent you are drawing upon additional knowledge sources (social, cultural, traditional, etc.) to inform your work.

*Character Limit: 1000
Partnership Structure*
Briefly describe how the Partnership functions: Who is actively involved in the Partnership (number of partners and what sectors, interests, and perspectives are represented therein)? How are decisions made? Do you have leadership or governance structures (i.e. steering or coordinating committees, working groups) in place? If so, briefly describe. Briefly state your intentions regarding additional outreach and Partnership building.
*Character Limit: 1000

Diversity and Inclusion*
How does or will your Partnership include Indigenous peoples, African American populations, Latino populations and/or other people that might be classified as under-represented on your landscape? How might your Partnership’s work affect (negatively or positively) these populations?
*Character Limit: 750

Proposed Activities and Grant Period Impacts*
Outline your preliminary workplan for the specific partnership-building activities that funding will 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 catalytic impact of this grant for your Partnership in the long term (past the grant period)? How does this proposal 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 Partnership boundary and the associated landscape. Note: If no map is available, this will not influence the evaluation of your pre-proposal.

File Size Limit: 10 MB

Internal Eligibility Screen