

## **Community Health Impact Grants**

We are pleased you are considering Mercy Health as a potential partner in your work.

Mercy Health's Community Health team works alongside our communities to identify important community health needs and forward programs and partnerships that address these critical concerns. The Community Health Needs Assessment (<https://www.mercy.com/about-us/mission/giving-back/community-health-needs-assessment>) names specific priorities for the Cincinnati Region and also calls for increased focus on social dynamics and the underlying causes of poor health in particular populations and places. Addressing these complex issues requires creativity and collaboration across multiple sectors and stakeholders. The details outlined on this page are meant to help you make an initial determination about whether your organization and partnership opportunity aligns to the interests of Mercy Health Cincinnati.

## **Guidelines**

We welcome initial inquiries for partners that meet the following guidelines:

- Organization has legal status as a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.
- Organization and opportunity are focused within the Cincinnati market's service area.
- Organization and opportunity address a demonstrated need as identified through the Community Health Needs Assessment or other well-substantiated report.
- Organization or opportunity has an explicit emphasis on improving health equity, reducing health disparity, or influencing known social determinants of health.
- Organization or opportunity has incorporated or is willing to incorporate community input into the design and delivery of the program or partnership.
- Organization and opportunity are consistent with the mission of Mercy Health.

If your program or partnership meets the guidelines outlined above, please provide a summary (not to exceed 250 words) outlining the organization, project, and funding request. Summaries and additional inquiries may be sent to [dpierrehixon@mercy.com](mailto:dpierrehixon@mercy.com).

### **Funding Process and Timeline**

Letters of Interest are accepted on an ongoing basis.

An individualized link to an online application portal is provided for invited applicants only. An online application must be completed along with narrative and accompanying budget.