

# Open Solicitation to Support LA Wildfire Recovery & Resilience Efforts!

Supporting the mid to long-term recovery of LA communities impacted by wildfires







## **AGENDA**

- A. Welcome and Introduction
- B. Wildfire Recovery Background
- C. LA n Sync Overview
- **D. Next Steps**
- E. Q&A



## **INTRODUCTIONS**



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## WILDFIRE RECOVERY **BACKGROUND**

\$800,000 - CALIFORNIA JOBS FIRST





\$1,000,000 **FUNDING OPPORTUNITY** 



### LA N SYNC OVERVIEW

LA n Sync is supported by a group of private and corporate foundations that seek to see philanthropic dollars leveraged in a way that creates **a multiplier effect of impact** for communities throughout L.A. County.

- 2023: LA n Sync provided ~\$800k in support to groups that applied for a total of \$283.65M in public funding
  - → Of the aggregate amount applied for, roughly **\$70M** was successfully awarded (85x multiplier outcome)
- 2024: LA n Sync provided roughly \$700k in support to groups that applied for a total of \$641.6 million in public funding
  - → roughly \$492.5M was successfully awarded (117x multiplier outcome)



## LA N SYNC OVERVIEW

#### **MODEL**

Leverage philanthropic dollars to create a multiplier effect of impact for communities throughout LA County

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Multiple sources of funding opportunities anticipated to support recovery in LA County

#### **VISION**

Based on historical outcomes, \$1M in leveraged LA n Sync funding to consortia focused on wildfire-impact communities is expected to facilitate between \$100M - \$250M in public funding to the region



## WILDFIRE RECOVERY STRATEGIES



**Strategy 1:** Supporting Rebuilding Better Efforts

**Strategy 2:** Complement Innovative Revitalization

**Strategy 3:** Drive Long-term Resource Resiliency



## **FUNDING AVAILABLE**

A total of up to \$1,000,000 is available to support the three (3) Wildfire Recovery Strategies

Category	Funding	Min/Max	Awards Avail.
Grant-Writing	\$400,000	\$10,000 - \$50,000	8 - 40
Grant-Writing (Municipalities)	\$200,000	\$10,000 - \$50,000	4 - 20
Capacity- Building	\$400,000	\$50,000 - \$100,000	4 - 8



## LA N SYNC GRANT WRITERS

Consortia that have not yet identified a grant writer and wish to be matched with an LA n Sync vetted grant writer must indicate this in their application. LA n Sync will contract directly with the grant writing consultant or firm services on behalf of the awarded consortium.

California COMMUNITY Foundation LA n Sync	
Are you looking for a: Contractor Firm	
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○ Contractor Type	
Writing Research Grant review/edit GIS Graphic design	Consulting
Budgeting Program Evaluation	



### **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

#### Eligible lead applicants include:

- community-based organizations (CBOs)
- nonprofit organizations
- non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- labor organizations
- academic institutions, or
- local government entities

#### **Geographic Requirement:**

The lead applicant organization must be based in LA County

#### **Consortiums:**

Collaborative groups consisting of at least two stakeholders, including CBOs, nonprofits, governmental organizations, labor organizations, academic institutions, local governments, or appropriate for-profit entities



## RFP TIMELINE OVERVIEW

Thurs, May 1, 2025
Thurs, May 8, 2025, 10 AM PST
.Mon, May 12, 2025 4:59:59 PM PST
.Mon, May 12, 2025, 4:59:59 PM PST
Mon, May 19, 2025
Fri, May 30, 2025, 4:59:59 PM PST
June 2, 2025 – July 14, 2025
.Mon, July 28, 2025
Wed, July 30, 2025, 4:59:59 PM PST
Friday, August 8, 2025
Friday, July 31, 2026



### **NOTICE OF INTENT**

All eligible entities must submit a Notice of Intent email to lansync@calfund.org by 4:59:59 PM PT on May 12, 2025

NOIs must include the following information:

- Lead Entity (organization name)
- Primary Point of Contact
- Aligned Funding Strategy
  - 1. Supporting Re-Building Better Efforts,
  - 2. Complementing Innovative Revitalization or
  - 3. Driving Long-Term Resource Resiliency)
- Type of Funding Requested
  - 1. Capacity building grant,
  - 2. grant writing support), or
  - 3. Blend
- Amount of funding requested



## PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS & SUBMISSION

All proposal documents must be combined and submitted as a single pdf to the **Submission Form** no later than **4:59:59 PM (Pacific Time) on May 30, 2025** 

All proposals must include the following:

- 1. Cover Page
- 2. Table of Contents
- 3. Executive Summary
  - Type of Funding Request
    - **A.** Capacity-Building grant
    - **B:** Grant Writing support only
    - **C:** Blend of Capacity-Building & Grant-Writing support
  - Wildfire Recovery Strategy
  - Funding Amount

- 4. Public Funding History
- **5. Proposal Narrative** 
  - Benefits to impacted communities
  - Overview of the Collaborative group and/or Stakeholders
- 6. Budget
- 7. Attachments



## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Proposals will be evaluated according to their alignment to the strategies outlined in this RFP, the strength of their equity and community collaboration components, and their potential to draw down public funds to the region. Total points: **100** 

Evaluation Criteria	Pts.
Alignment to funding strategies	45
<b>Equity:</b> The proposed project benefits impacted communities of the LA Wildfires of 2025, their residents, workforce, or small businesses.	10
<b>Collaboration:</b> Strength of the diversity of the consortium/collaboration	25
<b>Sustainability:</b> Project's Potential to Win Additional Public Funding/ Grants in the future	20



## **BUDGET REQUEST GUIDELINES**

Applicants who are not seeking grant writing support from LA n Sync grant-writers must submit a comprehensive budget as a separate Excel file

Budgets must include the following:

- 1. Budget Summary
  - overview of total project costs, including primary expense categories and corresponding amounts
- 2. Budget Narrative
  - overview of total project costs, including primary expense categories and corresponding amounts
- 3. Rate Sheet, Resume & Contractor Documentation
  - include a detailed rate sheet and resume alongside the budget documentation



### **ADDITIONAL REMINDERS**

- One Submission: Entities may submit only one application in response to this RFP. Additionally, entities can engage a fiscal sponsor.
- Agreement Term: TBD no later than August 8, 2025 until July 31, 2026.
- Submit Early: Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their applications at least 48 hours in advance of the deadline to allow time to resolve any unforeseen technical issues.
- Timeliness: Applicants are expected to demonstrate the ability to begin project operations by a contract start date no later than August 8, 2025, and to fully utilize funds within the proposed contract term (a maximum of 12 months).



## SUBMISSION FORM OVERVIEW

COMMUNITY Foundation	
LA Wildfire Recovery & Resilience RFP Submission Form	
The deadline to submit proposals is Priday, May 30, 2025, at 4:59:59 PM PST. For more information, visit: <a href="https://pages.lacerf.org/wildfire.">https://pages.lacerf.org/wildfire.</a>	
Project Name *	
First Name*	
Point of contact first name.	
Last Name*	
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Title *	
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## **NEXT STEPS**

- Next Step 1: Submit any RFP related questions that you feel haven't been fully or clearly answered by May 12th to lansync@calfund.org
- Next Step 2: Start working on your applications