COMMUNITY PROJECTS FUND
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. *We submitted an application under last quarter's program. Can we submit an application under this quarter's program?*
   Yes, you can submit one application per quarter. If you are not awarded an application under one quarter or have not yet heard the results of the evaluation, then you can submit the same or different application for consideration under the live solicitation. Due to the highly competitive nature of the program, applications that are not successful under one quarter are not automatically rolled over for consideration into the next quarter.

2. *Can you submit an application to continue an existing program or does your proposal have to be a new initiative?*
   Yes, you can submit an application to continue an existing program.

3. *If my organization does not meet the definition of a Small and Emerging or Volunteer Led Organization, should I still apply?*
   This is your organization's strategic decision. You are eligible to apply, but keep in mind that priority will be given to Small and Emerging or Volunteer Led Organizations (annual budget of less than $250,000; less than three full-time employees).

4. *Would any internal capacity building activities for the organization (e.g. leadership training, strategic planning etc.) be an appropriate project?*
   No, Community Projects Fund is not a capacity building program for nonprofits, rather, it aims to support implementation of projects that directly benefit Montgomery County underserved communities.

5. *If you have applied for 501(c)(3) status but will have not received it before the application deadline, can you collaborate with an established nonprofit with 501(c)(3) status for a new project?*
   Yes, this is called fiscal sponsorship.

6. *If you are part of another organization's application as a fiscal sponsor, can you also submit an application?*
   Yes.

7. *Is there a font requirement for the application?*
   No.

8. *If your project is seasonal, can you apply at any time?*
   Apply closer to the time of your ideal period of performance. For example, if you want to implement a project in the summer, apply in the January 1 or April 1 quarterly CPF application cycle, instead of the July 1 or October 1 cycles.