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Competitive Chart
Outdoor Equity Grants Program (OEP)
July 2021

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<u>If the answer to any of these questions is "No" the proposed program may need to be adjusted to meet the competitive priorities.</u>

- Detailed guidance is found in the June 1, 2021, Final Application Guide. This Competitive Chart is an outline and planning tool for applicants that only summarizes, but does not replace, the Application Guide.
- Page citations for the Application Guide are listed in this table.
- The Application Guide and staff contacts are available at parks.ca.gov/oep
- Technical Assistance for this program is available through the Office of Grants and Local Services. Page 42 of the Application Guide describes available assistance.

#	Competitive Chart Questions	Application Guide Page(s)	Yes/No
1	**Applicant Eligibility**: Is the applicant a 501(c)(3) non profit organization or a public agency/district?	4	
2	**Maximum Grant Amount, Program Overview:** • Does the applicant understand the grant request for up to $700,000 per application is competitive; not guaranteed? • Does the applicant understand the grant can fund multi-year activities through spring 2025? www.parks.ca.gov/oep will explain the updated Grant Performance Period soon.	4-8	
3	***Competitive* Community Home Base**: Grant Selection Criterion #1 • Is the Community Home Base in an underserved community with a low per capita income and high percentage of youth eligible for free/reduced school meals etc.? • Is the Community FactFinder Report at www.parksforcalifornia.org/outdoorequity generated from a point on or within the Community Home Base for Grant Selection Criteria #1? • Is the applicant aware that part B is the applicant's place to explain the need for the proposed program in the selected community?	5-6, 14-15, 43	
4	**Community Planning with Residents**: Grant Selection Criteria #2 • During two or more meetings before the application deadline, will 20 multi-generational residents, including at least 10 youth help plan the program's goals and logistics? • Will ideas about goals and logistics from the residents be included for activities in the community and nature area trips?	16-17, 44	
5	**Outdoor Program Goals:** Grant Selection Criteria #3 • Will the proposed outdoor program have both activities in the community (defined on page 50) and nature area trips? • Will both education (defined on page 51) and self-discovery (defined on page 54) nature exploration be included?	18-20, 45-46	

	• Will the program emphasize serving youth, but also include at least one activity in the community and at least one nature area trip for families, older adults, or multi-generational age groups? • Will a cost estimate be planned for each activity in the community and nature area trips using pages 18-19?		
6	**Service Learning, Career Pathway, Leadership Opportunities**: Grant Selection Criteria #4 • Will 15 or more residents participate in opportunities that can be used for future employment resumes or college admissions (such as a certificate or internship) for natural resources or environmental justice professions?	**21, 47**	
7	**Partnerships and Capacity Building**: Grant Selection Criteria #5 • Will two or more partnerships assist the applicant in achieving a goal(s) of Grant Selection Criteria #2-6?	**22, 48**	
8	**Mentoring Youth Leaders after the Grant Performance Period**: Grant Selection Criteria #6 • Is there a plan to mentor youth after the Grant Performance Period towards natural resource professions, or civic decision-making processes to have a healthy environment? **Or** Is there an explanation why this cannot be achieved after the Grant Performance Period?	**23, 49**	
9	**Grant Scope/Cost Estimate Form** • Cost estimate is planned with items 1-4 on the Form? • Applicant is aware of Eligible Costs on pages 37-41? • The Outdoor Program(s) will be complete before the end of the 2025 or 2026 Grant Performance Period?	**28-29, 37-41**	
10	**Funding Sources** • Grant by itself will pay for all program costs? Or, if other funds are needed, are the other funds committed/secured (fund raising is not needed)?	**30-31**	
11	**Applicant Capacity** • Applicant has the capacity to ensure the Outdoor Program is achieved within the Grant Performance Period?	**32**	
12	**Reporting Certification** • Applicant agrees to the five reporting requirements about achievements should the grant be awarded?	**35**	
13	**Authorizing Resolution** • Applicant's governing body approves filing of the application? Reviewed the Grant Administration Guide?	**26-27**	
14	**Ready to Organize the Application using checklist** • Use Checklist on pages 9-10 to prepare the application	**9-10**	