

# Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Abecedarian $ABCDEFGrants^{TM}$ Fund FY 2024

The Abecedarian Group

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## 1 Overview

The Abecedarian Group, a leading voice in the [INDUSTRY] space, invites proposals to the ABCDEFGrants<sup>TM</sup> Fund for FY 2024 projects addressing some of the most pressing issues in [INDUSTRY].

Our organization seeks to fund impactful projects worldwide. We collaborate with partner organizations that propose creative and feasible solutions to address challenges within the [INDUSTRY] sector. We do not generate project ideas or identify issues ourselves, but instead, we welcome project proposals submitted by organizations. We evaluate proposals based on their merit and not based on their sector. Our grantees are instrumental in promoting more prosperous, peaceful, and democratic communities across diverse sectors.

### 2 About The Abecedarian Group

The Abecedarian Group was founded in 1947 by businessman and philanthropist Abe Abecedarian with the mission of funding and incubating positive change in [INDUSTRY] fields and beyond.

Our motto - Prosperous, Peaceful, Democratic - reflects our core values and mission. Over the years, we have partnered with organizations and individuals from around the world to invest in innovative, difference-making projects. By working with our grantee partners, we aim to promote more prosperous, peaceful, and democratic communities across a wide range of sectors.

### **3** Grant Making Priorities

Priority consideration will be given to projects that:

- Address a pressing issue facing the [INDUSTRY].
- Demonstrate innovative solutions and/or approaches to the identified issue.
- Promote positive outcomes for a diverse range of stakeholders.
- Have the potential to make a significant impact in the [INDUSTRY].

The following types of requests will not be considered by the Fund:

- Requests for general operating support.
- Projects that solely benefit individuals rather than communities or organizations.
- Projects that do not align with the mission and values of the Abecedarian Group.

#### 4 Grant Application Process

To apply for a grant from the  $ABCDEFGrants^{TM}$  Fund, please follow these steps:

- 1. Read the Grant Making Priorities section to ensure your project aligns with our funding priorities.
- 2. Submit a letter of inquiry (LOI) via email to grants@abecedarian.org by April 5, 2023. The LOI should include a brief overview of your organization and the proposed project.
- 3. If your LOI is approved, you will be invited to submit a full proposal.
- 4. Please submit your full proposal by April 28, 2023, via email to grants@abecedarian.org
- 5. Organizations with top-rated proposals will be invited to give a presentation on their proposed projects. The presentation may be in person or via video conference, and will allow us to better understand your proposed project and its potential impact.

#### 5 Contents of a Proposal

The proposal should describe the following:

- 1. Purpose and Need: State the goals and objectives of the project. Identify how the proposed project will benefit the various constituencies served by your organization.
- 2. Literature Review and Discussion: Identify through compelling, researched analysis the origins of problem the project intends to address, and explain the potential for success in responding via the proposed grantee project. Cite sources as needed from industry personnel, subject matter experts, and relevant scholars.
- NOTE Thoroughly researched, analyzed, and explained (1) Purpose and Need and (2) Literature Review and Discussion sections will typically make up the largest part of successful proposals.

- 3. Implementation Plan: Summarize the plans and timeframe for implementation of this project. Identify the individual(s) with oversight responsibilities and briefly describe their qualifications.
- 4. Project Budget Information: Attach a one-page project budget, which:
  - (a) Specifies the requested grant period;
  - (b) Delineates line-item expenses that clearly detail the proposed use of grant funds; and
  - (c) Lists projected income (both solicited and received) and expenses for the proposed project.
- 5. Sustainability: Provide projections of the cost (and anticipated sources of revenue) to operate new or expanded facilities, maintain equipment, replace equipment once it becomes obsolete, etc.

#### 6 Submissions

All letters of inquiry (LOIs) and full proposals must be submitted electronically to The Abecedarian Group at grants@abecedarian.org by their respective specified deadline. Submissions via fax or mail will not be accepted. Please note that proposals not meeting the submission requirements outlined in this Request for Proposals will not be reviewed.

For further details, including a full list of previous grant recipients, visit us at abecdarian.org/abcdefGrants.

#### Questions? Concerns? Please contact:

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