

General Operating Support Narrative (Stage 1)

Applicant Instructions:

- Start by saving this form to your own files.
- Be sure to complete all fields; incomplete forms must be returned, thereby delaying the application process.
- Take note of recommended word limits. To check the word count for any response, select the text with your cursor and look at the status bar at the bottom left of the Word window.
- If possible, please save this form as a PDF before uploading it to your online Stage 1 Application.

- Required field

Ensure the information you enter in this section exactly matches that which you entered in the online application form

Organization Seeking Grant:	● <input type="text"/>
Request Amount:	● <input type="text"/>

1. ● **Mission & Brief History of Organization**

(Recommended word limit: 250)

2. ● **Core Activities**

Describe the core activities your organization engages in to advance its mission.

(Recommended word limit: 250)

3. ● **Organizational Outcomes**

What outcomes do you hope to realize during the grant period as a result of your core activities?

(Recommended word limit: 250)

4. ● **Geographic Scope**

In which geographic area(s) does your organization work (e.g., Little Village, suburban Cook County, Chicago region, state of Illinois)?

(Recommended word limit: 50)

5. ● **Alignment with Democracy Program Focus Areas**

Please describe how your organization's work supports one or more of the [Democracy Program's Focus Areas](#).
(Recommended word limit: 250)

6. ● **Equity Impact**

Describe how your organization's work reduces disparities (e.g., racial, ethnic, geographic, or other) in one or more of the [Democracy Program's Focus Areas](#).
(Recommended word limit: 250)

7. ● **McCormick Investments**

Do you receive or are you pursuing funding from other program areas at the McCormick Foundation? If so, please indicate which ones.

REQUIRED FOR RENEWALS ONLY:

What have you accomplished with your current grant and how will renewed funding build on these achievements?

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