

## St. Louis County Port Authority Community Reinvestment Fund Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. What kinds of projects are considered for funding by the Port Authority?

The Port will consider any economic development project that falls within one or more of its funding priorities and may include non-construction (e.g., programmatic) or construction (including land acquisition, renovation, new construction and/or infrastructure) projects.

### 2. Who can apply for a Port Reinvestment Fund grant?

Non-profits (must have 501(c)(3) designation) and public/governmental agencies are eligible applicants for Port Reinvestment Fund grants. The Port does not accept applications for funding from individuals.

### 3. Are there any geographic restrictions that affect eligibility?

Yes. Applicants or projects must be located in St. Louis County or primarily serve St. Louis County.

### 4. How will applications be evaluated?

Requests for funding will be considered, as applicable, in light of the following criteria:

- Quality and quantity of economic and community outcomes, including jobs created/retained, businesses served
- Consistency with a neighborhood, community or regional economic or community development plan or strategy and degree to which project contributes to one or more strategies within the applicable plan
- Other resources leveraged
- Potential to catalyze additional investment and/or development
- Capacity and experience of applicant organization to execute project
- Sustainability of proposed project (future funding and implementation)
- Demonstrated community support

### 4. What are typical grant amounts?

Because the Port accepts grant applications for a range of projects, including both programmatic and redevelopment/construction related projects, there is no typical grant amount. Awards will be based on community impact. See Question 4, Evaluation Criteria.

### 5. Can my organization apply for general operating expenses?

No. Organizations may, however, include administrative or operating expenses related to the specific project or program that is the subject of grant request.

### 6. Do you accept multi-year funding requests?

Typically, the Port will fund up to 24 months for a project or program.