



## DANA Nonprofit Accelerator Pre-Application

Thank you for your interest in participating in DANA's 2023-2026 Nonprofit Accelerator. This is a three-year initiative designed to empower existing small nonprofits to thrive and create lasting change. We understand that many nonprofits face the "Nonprofit Catch 22" in Delaware, where limited resources hinder their ability to sustain operations and secure funding, limiting their potential to meet the needs of historically excluded communities. This program aims to break this cycle by providing continuous technical assistance, coaching, connecting, and consulting to participating nonprofits. By strengthening leadership skills, enhancing organizational capacity, and fostering shared learning through a cohort model, we create opportunities for collaboration, partnership, and increased community impact. To be considered for the first cohort, please complete this pre-application to confirm eligibility and readiness to participate. If your organization is eligible, you will receive an email with a link to the application. If for some reason you are not ready or eligible, a DANA team member will be in touch within 48 hours to discuss. If at any time you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out and connect with Jennifer Cooper at [jcooper@delawarenonprofit.org](mailto:jcooper@delawarenonprofit.org).

Organization Name

First Name

Last Name

Your Role/Title

Phone

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Email Address

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

City

State

Zip code

Please provide your organization's mission statement:

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Is your organization a tax-exempt nonprofit providing services in the state of Delaware?

1. Yes
2. No

Did your organization receive its tax-exempt status before January 2020?

1. Yes
2. No

Does the community served by your organization reflect a group or community that experiences discrimination and exclusion?

1. Yes
2. No

Please identify your organization's average annual operating budget for the past three years.

1. Under \$99,999
2. \$100,000 - \$499,999
3. \$500,000- \$999,999
4. \$1,000,000- \$2,999,999
5. \$3,000,000 or more

Is the organization's CEO/Executive Director a full-time employee?

1. Yes
2. No

Does your Board of Directors regularly hold meetings according to their bylaws?

1. Yes
2. No

Has your Board of Directors Approved Application to this Program?

1. Yes
2. No

I understand this is a pre-application for the Nonprofit Accelerator pilot program and not a guarantee for acceptance into the program. My acceptance includes completion of an application, and a follow-up interview with the Executive Director and Board Chair.

1. I agree.
2. I don't agree.



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Thank you for completing the Pre-Application. An email will be sent to you shortly with a link to the application. If you do not receive it within five minutes, please check your "junk/spam" folder. In addition to providing us with more information about your organization and who you serve, you will be asked to upload three items as part of the application.

- 1) A copy of the board resolution that approves applying to the program. You can download a template on the DANA Nonprofit Accelerator Website.
- 2) An affirmation of your community impact. This can be a PDF letter or a video from a beneficiary, partner, or donor which can speak to the quality and helpfulness of your agency's work.
- 3) The Nonprofit Accelerator Assessment which helps us understand the current state of your internal systems and capacity.

The DANA Team

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