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FOUNDATION

2023 **Student Basic Needs** Michelson Spark Grant

LETTER OF INTEREST

Please provide the following information for your organization:

Name:

Mission:

Address:

Website

EIN:

Year of founding:

Please provide the following information for your application's main point of contact if the grant is awarded.

Name:

Title:

Email:

Phone Number:

Is your organization registered as a 501(c)(3)?

Yes No

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The following questions allow us to learn about how your staff reflects the population you serve.

Is your organization led by someone who is Black, Indigenous, or a Person of Color (BIPOC)?

Yes No Choose not to disclose

Please provide the following information for your organization:

Is your organization led by someone who identifies as a minority gender identity (e.g. cisgendered woman), non-binary (e.g. genderqueer, gender fluid, etc.), transgender, or is a member of an otherwise gender expansive identity?

Yes No Choose not to disclose

BIPOC representation on your board (or other governing body)

<25% 25-49% 50-74% 75-100% Choose not to disclose

BIPOC representation in your organization's leadership

<25% 25-49% 50-74% 75-100% Choose not to disclose

BIPOC representation in your organization's staff

<25% 25-49% 50-74% 75-100% Choose not to disclose

LGBTQIA+ representation in your organization's staff

<25% 25-49% 50-74% 75-100% Choose not to disclose

We welcome any comments or explanations about the demographic representation in your organization.



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Has your organization previously submitted a proposal for any previous Michelson Spark Grant round?

Yes No Unsure

If your organization has submitted a proposal for a previous Michelson Spark Grant round, during which cycle did you submit? Select all that apply.

- Apr 2019 Aug 2019 COVID-19 2020
- Smart Justice Jul/Aug 2020 Student Basic Needs Oct/Nov 2020
- Digital Equity Mar 2021 Open Educational Resources Jun 2021
- Student Basic Needs Sep/Oct 2021 Smart Justice Nov/Dec 2021
- Digital Equity Feb/Mar 2022 Student Basic Needs Aug/Sep 2022
- Smart Justice Dec 2022 Digital Equity Feb/Mar 2023
- Open Educational Resources May/Jun 2023 Unsure

If your organization has submitted a proposal for a previous Michelson Spark Grant round, provide a short overview of your previous proposal(s).

Amount of Funding Requested for This Grant

Is your proposed project new or existing?

New Existing Existing, with incremental impact



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Input grant period in number of months.

Will your project impact Californian students?

Yes No

Is your proposal student led?

Yes No

If your proposal is student led, please provide a brief description of their role. (100 words)

Select which focus area your project would address. Select all that apply

- Leveraging technology solutions to maximize and measure the effectiveness and efficiency of basic needs supports and capture student academic success. This could include:
- Systems to help assess student basic needs by providing data that captures the need for additional support and tells the story of who is accessing basic needs services
 - Streamlining deployment and information about basic needs supports, emphasizing local resources—both on and off campus—for students taking classes online or in-person.
 - Providing support for students during “off-hours”



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Focus areas continued. Select all that apply.

■ Incorporating basic needs within the campus culture and climate. This could include efforts that strengthen the continuum of care for students' basic needs. Topics may include:

- Support for students transitioning between two-year to four-year institutions
- Identifying students who have stopped or dropped out due to basic needs issues and assisting them with re-enrollment
- Using student voices and perspectives to inform student basic needs efforts, policies, programming, etc.

■ Innovative approaches and promising practices that promote positive academic outcomes for students receiving direct financial assistance aimed at mitigating student basic needs concerns. This could include research, evaluation, or efforts that scale the impact of public benefits assistance, tax credits for eligible students, universal basic income, and approaches to liquidating institutional HEERF dollars.

Please provide an overview of the project you are proposing including the amount of funding requested and usage of funds. Be sure to include which population(s) would be impacted by the grant. Please also include a proposed timeline for grant usage. (500 word max)



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Describe the three (3) metrics or Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) you are measuring as part of this project to gauge success of this program below.

Does your project have the potential to impact public policy? If so, how?
(200 words max)

Please upload any related documents you would like us to review.

The following questions allow us to learn about how your staff reflects the population you serve.

What percentage of the population you serve is BIPOC?

<25% 25-49% 50-74% 75-100% Choose not to disclose

What percentage of the population you serve is LGBTQIA+?

<25% 25-49% 50-74% 75-100% Choose not to disclose

What percentage of the population you serve is system impacted? System impacted includes people affected in a negative way by their incarceration or of a close relative as well as those who have been arrested and/or convicted without incarceration.

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What percentage of the population you serve is economically disadvantaged?

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We welcome any comments or explanation about the demographic of the population you serve.

Is it important for you to receive grant funding within the accelerated turnaround of the Spark Grant program? If so, why? (100 words max)

How did you hear about this grant opportunity?

- Michelson 20MM Website Previous familiarity with Michelson 20MM
 Email Outreach Direct Referral from a Michelson 20MM Partner
 Article/blog post Social Media Other

How many hours did this LOI take to prepare and submit?

On average, how long does it take for your organization to receive a response from other funders on grant proposals?

Would you like to be added to the following mailing lists? Select all that apply.

- Michelson Spark Grants Student Basic Needs Initiative
 General Michelson 20MM Foundation

Is there anything else you would like to tell us related to your proposal?



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