

STATE OF MINNESOTA GRANT CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Swift Contract Number: XXXXXXXX

This Grant Contract Agreement is between the State of Minnesota, acting through its Director of the Office of Cannabis Management ("State") and Full name of the grantee including its address ("Grantee").

Recitals

Under Minnesota Statutes 342.70, the State is empowered to enter into this Grant Contract Agreement. The State administers the CanRenew Community Restoration Grant program designed to support eligible organizations that make investments in communities identified as having long-term residents who are eligible social equity applicants. The Grantee represents that it is duly qualified and agrees to perform all services described in this Grant Contract Agreement to the satisfaction of the State.

Grant Contract Agreement

1 Term of Grant Contract Agreement

1.1 Effective Date. July 10, 2025, or the date the State obtains all required signatures, whichever is later.

Per [Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subd. 5](#), the Grantee must not begin work until this Grant Contract Agreement is fully executed and the State's Authorized Representative has notified the Grantee that work may commence.

Per [Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subd. 7](#), no payments will be made to the Grantee until this Grant Contract Agreement is fully executed.

1.2 Expiration Date. June 30, 2026, or until all obligations have been satisfactorily fulfilled, whichever occurs first.

1.3 Survival of Terms. The following clauses survive the expiration or cancellation of this Grant Contract Agreement: Liability; State Audits; Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property; Publicity and Endorsement; Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue; and Data Disclosure.

2 Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work

2.1 State's Activities. The State's activities, in accordance with the Minnesota Department of Administration's Office of Grants Management's policies and regulations, may include but are not limited to: financial reconciliations, site visits, programmatic monitoring of activities performed, prescribe increased monitoring based on risk assessment and grant activity evaluation.

2.2 Grantee's Activities. The Grantee, who is not a state employee, will:

2.2.1 Comply with required grants management policies and procedures set forth through Minn.Stat. §16B.97, Subd. 4(a)(1).

2.2.2 Conduct the activities specified in Exhibit A [Work Plan] and Exhibit B [Budget], which is attached and incorporated into this Grant Contract Agreement.

2.2.3 Submit an initial Progress Report along with their first request for reimbursement and/or within 15 calendar days after the end of each quarter. The Progress Report must address progress towards the desired outcomes listed in the Exhibit A, reconcile expenditures to date, and is a requirement for reimbursement.

2.2.4 Submit reimbursement requests and financial status reports at least once quarterly. Reimbursement requests may be submitted every 15 calendar days if needed.

2.2.5 Comply with monitoring, site visits, and financial reconciliation requirements.

2.2.6 Participate in evaluation and data collection efforts assessing the initiative's impact.

2.2.7 Participate in State training and statewide coordination meetings with cohort grantees as directed by the State's Authorized Representative.

3 Time

The Grantee must comply with all the time requirements described in this Grant Contract Agreement. In the performance of this Grant Contract Agreement, time is of the essence and failure to meet a deadline date may be a basis for a determination by the State's Authorized Representative that the Grantee has not complied with the terms of the Grant Contract Agreement. The Grantee is required to perform all the duties cited within clause two "Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work" within the grant period. The State is not obligated to extend the grant period.

4 Consideration and Terms of Payment

The consideration for all services performed by the Grantee pursuant to this Grant Contract Agreement shall be paid by the State as follows:

4.1 Compensation. The total obligation of the State under this Grant Contract Agreement, including all compensation and reimbursements, is not to exceed **\$Total Compensation and Travel Reimbursement**, which shall be paid in accordance with the terms outlined in Exhibit B: Payment Schedule, which is attached and incorporated into this Grant Contract Agreement. Grantees may apply to receive up to 10% of the total grant award as an advance payment. Grantees who qualify for advance payments are subject to additional monitoring and reconciliation requirements. All incurred costs on advance payments must be reconciled before further payments or reimbursements.

4.2 Administrative Costs. Grantee administrative costs must be necessary and reasonable and will not exceed 10% of the total budget.

4.3 Travel Expenses. Reimbursement for travel and subsistence expenses actually and necessarily incurred by the Grantee because of this Grant Contract Agreement will not exceed \$**Insert total travel budget here. If none, insert \$0.00**. The Grantee will not be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses incurred outside Minnesota unless it has received the State's prior written approval for out of state travel. Minnesota will be considered the home state for determining whether travel is out of state.

The Grantee will be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses in the same manner and in no greater amount than provided in the current Commissioner's Plan promulgated by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget.

4.4 Invoices. Payments shall be made by the State after the Grantee's presentation of invoices for services satisfactorily performed and the written acceptance of such services by the State's Authorized Representative. Invoices shall be submitted timely, with additional details as requested by the State, and according to the following schedule: at least one consolidated reimbursement request and financial status report every month no later than the last day of the month after costs were incurred.

4.5 Unexpended Funds. The Grantee must promptly return to the State any unexpended funds that have not been accounted for in a financial report to the State.

5 Conditions of Payment

All services provided by the Grantee under this Grant Contract Agreement must be performed to the State's satisfaction, as determined at the sole discretion of the State's Authorized Representative and in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations. The Grantee will not receive payment for work found by the State to be unsatisfactory or performed in violation of federal, state, or local law.

6 Contracting and Bidding Requirements.

6.1 Any services and/or materials that are expected to cost \$100,000 or more must undergo a formal notice and bidding process.

6.2 Services and/or materials that are expected to cost between \$25,000 and \$99,999 must be competitively awarded based on a minimum of three (3) verbal quotes or bids or awarded to a targeted vendor.

6.3 Services and/or materials that are expected to cost between \$10,000 and \$24,999 must be competitively awarded based on a minimum of two (2) verbal quotes or bids or awarded to a targeted vendor.

6.4 The Grantee must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that targeted vendors from businesses with active certifications through these entities are used when possible:

6.4.1 [State Department of Administration's Certified Targeted Group, Economically Disadvantaged and Veteran-Owned Vendor List](#)

6.4.2 [Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business Program](#)

6.4.3 Small Business Certification Program through Hennepin County, Ramsey County, and City of St. Paul: [Central Certification Directory](#)

6.5 The Grantee must maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award and administration of contracts.

6.6 The Grantee must maintain support documentation of the purchasing or bidding process used to contract services in their financial records, including support documentation justifying a single source bid, if applicable.

6.7 Notwithstanding 6.1-6.4 above, the State may waive bidding process requirements when:

6.7.1 Vendors included in response to competitive grant request for proposal process were approved and incorporated as an approved work plan for the grant; or

6.7.2 It is determined there is only one reasonably able and available source for such materials or services and that grantee has established a fair and reasonable price.

6.8 The Grantee and any subrecipients must comply with prevailing wage rules per [Minnesota Statutes §§ 177.41 through 177.50](#), as applicable.

6.9 The Grantee and any subrecipients must not contract with vendors who are suspended or debarred by the State of Minnesota or the federal government: [Suspended and Debarred Vendors, Minnesota Office of State Procurement](#).

7 Authorized Representatives

7.1 The State's Authorized Representative is **Name, title, email address, address, telephone number**, or their successor, and has the responsibility to monitor the Grantee's performance and the authority to accept the services provided under this Grant Contract Agreement. If the services are satisfactory, the State's Authorized Representative will certify acceptance on each invoice submitted for payment.

7.2 The Grantee's Authorized Representative is **Name, title, email address, address, telephone number**, or their successor. If the Grantee's Authorized Representative changes at any time during this Grant Contract Agreement, the Grantee must immediately notify the state.

7.3 The Grantee must clearly post on the Grantee's website the names of, and contact information for, the Grantee's leadership and the employee or other person who directly manages and oversees this Grant Contract Agreement on behalf of the Grantee.

8 Assignment, Amendments, Waiver, and Contract Complete

8.1 Assignment. The Grantee may neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement without the prior consent of the State and a fully executed agreement, executed and approved by the authorized parties or their successors.

8.2 Amendments. Any amendment to this Grant Contract Agreement must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved the original Grant Contract Agreement or their successors.

8.3 Waiver. If the State fails to enforce any provision of this Grant Contract Agreement, that failure does not waive the provision or its right to enforce it.

8.4 Contract Complete. This Grant Contract Agreement contains all negotiations and agreements between the State and the Grantee. No other understanding regarding this Grant Contract Agreement, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party.

9 Subcontracting and Subcontract Payment

9.1 A subrecipient is a person or entity that has been awarded a portion of the work authorized by this Grant Contract Agreement by Grantee. The Grantee must document any subaward through a formal legal agreement. The Grantee must provide timely notice to the State of any subrecipient(s) prior to the subrecipient(s) performing work under this Grant Contract Agreement.

- 9.2** The Grantee must monitor the activities of the subrecipient(s) to ensure the subaward is used for authorized purposes; is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the subaward, [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.97, Subd. 4\(a\) 1](#), and other relevant statutes and regulations; and that subaward performance goals are achieved.
- 9.3** During this Grant Contract Agreement, if a subrecipient is determined to be performing unsatisfactorily by the State's Authorized Representative, the Grantee will receive written notification that the subrecipient can no longer be used for this Grant Contract Agreement.
- 9.4** No subagreement shall serve to terminate or in any way affect the primary legal responsibility of the Grantee for timely and satisfactory performances of the obligations contemplated by the Grant Contract Agreement.
- 9.5** The Grantee must pay any subrecipient in accordance with [Minnesota Statutes § 16A.1245](#).
- 9.6** The Grantee and any subrecipients must not contract with vendors who are suspended or debarred by the State of Minnesota or the federal government.

10 Liability

The Grantee must indemnify, save, and hold the State, its agents, and employees harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorney's fees incurred by the State, arising from performance of this Grant Contract Agreement by the Grantee or the Grantee's agents or employees. This clause will not be construed to bar any legal remedies the Grantee may have for the State's failure to fulfill its obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement.

11 State Audits

Under [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.98, Subd. 8](#), the Grantee's books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices relevant to this Grant Contract Agreement are subject to examination by the Commissioner of Administration, the State granting agency, the State Auditor, the Attorney General, and the Legislative Auditor, as appropriate, for a minimum of six years from the expiration or termination of this Grant Contract Agreement, receipt and approval of all final reports, or the required period of time to satisfy all State and program retention requirements, whichever is later.

12 Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property Rights

12.1 Government Data Practices. The Grantee and State must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, [Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13](#), as it applies to all data provided by the State under this grant contract, and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Grantee under this grant contract. The civil remedies of [Minnesota Statutes § 13.08](#) apply to the release of the data referred to in this clause by either the Grantee or the State.

If the Grantee receives a request to release the data referred to in this Clause, the Grantee must immediately notify the State. The State will give the Grantee instructions concerning the release of the data to the requesting party before the data is released. The Grantee's response to the request shall comply with applicable law.

12.2 Intellectual Property Rights. Grantee represents and warrants that Materials produced or used under this grant agreement do not and will not infringe upon any intellectual property rights of another including but not limited to patents, copyrights, trade secrets, trade names, and service marks and names. Grantee shall indemnify and defend State, at Grantee's expense, from any action or claim brought against State to the extent that it is based on a claim that all or parts of the materials infringe upon the intellectual property rights of another. Grantee shall be responsible for payment of any and all such claims, demands, obligations, liabilities, costs, and damages including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees arising out of this grant agreement, amendments and supplements thereto, which are attributable to such claims or actions.

12.3 Ownership of Materials. 'Materials' is defined as any inventions, reports, studies, designs, drawings, specifications, notes, documents, software, computer-based training modules, and other recorded materials in whatever form. Grantee shall own all rights, title, and interest in all of the materials conceived, created, or otherwise arising out of the performance of this grant agreement by it, its employees, or subgrantees, either individually or jointly with others. Grantee hereby grants to State a perpetual, irrevocable, no-fee license and right to reproduce, modify, distribute, perform, make, have made, and otherwise use the Materials for any and all purposes, in all forms and manners that State, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate. Grantee shall, upon the request of State, execute all papers and perform all other acts necessary to document and secure this right and license to the Materials by State. At the request of State, Grantee shall permit OCM to inspect the original Materials and provide a copy of any of the Materials to State, without cost, for use by State in any manner.

13 Workers Compensation

The Grantee certifies that it is in compliance with [Minnesota Statutes § 176.181, Subd. 2](#), pertaining to workers' compensation insurance coverage. The Grantee's employees and agents will not be considered State employees. Any claims that may arise under the Minnesota Workers' Compensation Act on behalf of these employees and any claims made by any third party as a consequence of any act or omission on the part of these employees are in no way the State's obligation or responsibility.

14 Governing Law, Jurisdiction, Venue

Venue for all legal proceedings out of this Grant Contract Agreement, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state or federal court with competent jurisdiction in Ramsey County, Minnesota.

15 Termination

15.1 Termination by the State.

A. Without Cause. Only days of written notice may be changed or negotiated.

The State may terminate this Grant Contract Agreement without cause, upon 30 days' written notice to the Grantee. Upon termination, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed.

B. With Cause. Standard and non-negotiable.

The State may immediately terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if the State finds that there has been a failure to comply with the provisions of this grant contract, that reasonable progress has not been made, or that the purposes for which the funds were granted have not been or will not be fulfilled. The State may take action to protect the interests of the State of Minnesota, including the refusal to disburse additional funds and requiring the return of all or part of the funds already disbursed.

15.2 Termination by the Commissioner of Administration.

The Commissioner of Administration may immediately and unilaterally terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if further performance under the agreement would not serve agency purposes or performance under the Grant Contract Agreement is not in the best interest of the State.

15.3 Termination for Insufficient Funding. Can be modified as necessary.

The State may immediately terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if it does not obtain funding from the Minnesota Legislature, or other funding source; or if funding cannot be continued at a level sufficient to allow for the payment of the services addressed within this Grant Contract Agreement. Termination must be by written notice to the Grantee. The State is not obligated to pay for any services that are provided after notice and effective date of termination. However, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed to the extent that dedicated funds are available.

In the event of temporary lack of funding or appropriation, the State may pause its obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement without terminating it. This pause will be for the duration of the lack of funding or appropriation and shall not be considered a termination of the Grant Contract Agreement. The Grantee will be notified in writing of the temporary pause, and the Grantee's ability to provide services may be temporarily suspended during this period. The State will provide reasonable notice to the Grantee of the lack of funding or appropriation and shall notify the Grantee once funding is restored or appropriated, at which point the provision of services under the Grant Contract Agreement may resume.

The State will not be assessed any penalty if the Grant Contract Agreement is terminated due to insufficient funding. The State must provide the Grantee notice of the lack of funding within a reasonable time of the State's receiving notice.

15.4 Suspension for non-compliance or review. The State may suspend this grant contract agreement for up to 60 days, in whole or in part, for reasons including but not limited to:

- Reviewing reimbursement requests to verify their accuracy and validity.
- Investigating allegations of fraud or misuse of grant funds.
- Conducting audits or evaluations to ensure compliance with grant terms.
- Addressing any material breach of contract terms by the Grantee.
- Implementing corrective actions for identified non-compliance issues.

The suspension will be effective immediately upon written notice to Grantee specifying the grounds for the suspension and will remain in effect until the State determines that the issues have been satisfactorily resolved. Grantee must suspend all grant-related activities until notified in writing of the date activities may be reinstated. The State is not obligated to make payments for services provided during the suspension period until such issues are resolved. However Grantee may be entitled to payment on a pro-rata basis for services performed before the suspension, as determined by the State and based on the availability of funds. If the suspension findings warrant termination of contact, the State will notify Grantee as outlined in section 14.1(b).

16 Publicity and Endorsement

16.1 Publicity. Any publicity pertaining to the services resulting from this Grant Contract Agreement shall identify the State as the sponsoring agency. Publicity includes, but is not limited to: websites, social media platforms, notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Grantee or its employees individually or jointly with others or any subcontractors. All projects primarily funded by state grant appropriations must publicly credit the State, including on the grantee's website, when practicable.

16.2 Endorsement. The Grantee must not claim that the State endorses its products or services.

17 Data Disclosure

Under [Minnesota Statutes § 270C.65](#), Subd. 3, and other applicable law, the Grantee consents to disclosure of its social security number, federal employer tax identification number, and/or Minnesota tax identification number, already provided to the State, to federal and state tax agencies and state personnel involved in the payment of state obligations. These identification numbers may be used in the enforcement of federal and state tax laws which could result in action requiring the Grantee to file state tax returns and pay delinquent state tax liabilities, if any.

Exhibits

The following Exhibits are attached and incorporated into this Grant Contract Agreement. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Grant Contract Agreement and its Exhibits, or between Exhibits, the order of precedence is first the Grant Contract Agreement, and then in the following order:

- **Exhibit A: Workplan**
- **Exhibit B: Budget**
- **Exhibit C: Other Provisions**

Strike if not required. Exhibit may be used for special funding requirements or other contract terms not already included in this Contract. **This includes any additional or unique conditions to mitigate any risks identified in the preaward risk assessment.**

Certifications

State Encumbrance Verification

Individual certifies that funds have been encumbered as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.15

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

SWIFT Contract Number: _____

Grantee

With delegated authority

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

State Agency

With delegated authority

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Exhibit A: Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work **[Strike if not required]**

The Grantee shall comply with all applicable grants management policies and procedures, set forth through Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.97, subd. 4 (a).

Project Description

Provide a comprehensive description of the core functions, activities, tasks, or products associated with the grant award. Include the role of stakeholders.

Deliverables and Milestones

Deliverables:

1. List all services, goods, products, work product, data, items, materials, and property to be created, developed, produced, delivered, performed, or provided by or on behalf of, or made available through, the Grantee in connection with the Grant Contract Agreement.
2. List specific and targeted results expected from the activities outlined in the Project Description. Include who the beneficiaries of both the results and the activities are.

Milestones:

1. List important events that must occur at specified points throughout the term of the agreement to effectively achieve goals.
2. Include timelines, dates, or other measurements as appropriate.

Performance Measures

Outline performance-related reporting requirements and describe the performance measures to be evaluated throughout the grant term.

- Identify data points the Grantee must provide.
- Include method and timeframe for submitting performance reports.
- Include outcome measures that represent the ultimate impact.
- Include output measures that reflect the Grantee's activities.
- Include notification that, for awards greater than \$25,000, a grantee performance evaluation will be posted publicly at <https://osp.admin.mn.gov/granteval/grant-eval-uploader>, per [Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subd. 12](#) and [OGM Policy 08-13](#).

Specific Conditions

If the preaward risk assessment resulted in any specific conditions, include them here.

Exhibit B: Payment Schedule

[Strike if not required]

Include sufficient detail about invoicing and payments:

- The frequency with which invoices are required to be submitted.
- How and to whom invoices should be submitted.
- Indicate if any additional or supporting documentation is required to be submitted concurrently.
- Include any other payment specifications.

In accordance with [Minnesota Management and Budget Statewide Operating Policy 0801-01](#), payment shall be made within 30 days following the State's Authorized Representative approval of an invoice. Payments will not be made if reports or other deliverables are outstanding.

Exhibit C: Other Provisions

[Strike if not required]

Strike if not required. Exhibit may be used for special funding requirements or other contract terms not already included in this Contract. **This includes any additional conditions as needed to mitigate any risks identified in the preaward risk assessment.**

If this is a federal subaward, attach either the prime award or the applicable federal flow-down terms.

If using the Risk Plan Template from the OGM Policy 08-06: Preaward Risk Assessment of Potential Grantees toolkit, attach it here.