

Climate Resilience evaluation criteria

CORE MISSION

Does the mission of the organization prioritize:

- Community-driven strategies to reduce wildfire hazards, enable preparedness & response, and build long-term recovery capacity in fire-prone areas before fire comes?
- Community stewardship through habitat restoration, tree canopy, and green infrastructure projects that cool communities, improve water and air quality, and protect ecosystems?
- Expanding, enhancing, and sustaining equitable access to safe, climate-resilient outdoor community gathering spaces where people connect and find refuge?

OUTCOMES

Does the proposed project result in:

- Community: Increases local capacity and ongoing stewardship for resilience (especially for small and rural organizations)?
- Environmental: Has measurable improvements in wildfire preparedness, canopy cover, restoration, and/or green infrastructure?
- Inclusivity: Enables greater access to climate-resilient public spaces?
- Systems Change: Results in stronger collaboration and learning network across sectors?

EQUITY

Does the proposal provide evidence that the organization:

- Invests in communities where such programming would otherwise be unavailable or limited?
- Is led by, and in service to underserved communities?
- Is able to speak effectively about engaging stakeholders in program development?

COLLABORATION

Is the organization:

- Engaged in collective impact initiatives?
- Works in collaboration with nonprofits, governments, philanthropy and community-based organizations?