

Grant Application Evaluation Rubric - Capital Grants

Criteria	Excellent (5)	Good (4)	Fair (3)	Poor (2)	Very Poor (1)
Project Justification	Clear, well-supported need for the capital investment; urgent or strategic	Clear need with reasonable justification	General need identified; lacks detailed support	Vague or weak justification	No clear need for the project
Community Benefit	Strong, long-term benefit to the community; widely accessible	Clear benefit to specific groups or services	Some benefit noted but limited in scope or clarity	Minimal or unclear benefit	No meaningful community benefit
Project Feasibility	Well-planned with clear timeline, costs, permits (if needed), and responsibilities	Good planning with some minor gaps	Plan is basic but appears doable	Plan is vague or missing key details	Project is unrealistic or poorly planned
Budget & Cost-Effectiveness	Budget is detailed, justified, and demonstrates good value	Mostly clear and appropriate budget	Acceptable budget with minor unclear items	Budget lacks detail or appears inflated	Budget is incomplete, unjustified, or excessive
Organizational Capacity	Strong track record managing capital or facilities projects	Good capacity and leadership to complete project	Moderate capacity; some experience	Limited experience or unclear roles	Lacks capacity or experience for capital projects