



The online application review consists of 4 sections. All questions will be answered by using the following scoring matrix:

4 points: Strong, clear, and compelling evidence; all necessary details provided.

3 points: Good evidence; minor clarifications or additional details may strengthen.

2 points: Fair evidence; some aspects need significant detail or clarification.

1 point: Minimal evidence; lacks crucial details.

o points: No relevant evidence provided, or answer is missing.

Sections will be weighted using the following formula:

Program Narrative	45%
Program Budget and Budget Narrative	15%
Opportunity 2028 Shared Performance Metrics	20%
Overall	20%

All volunteers will participate in training prior to the application review process. Scoring will first be conducted independently by members of the review panel. A second round of scoring will be offered after the interview process (Impact Grants only) and review panel discussion. Individual scores will then be averaged: (First Score + Second Score) / 2. The highest and lowest individual averaged score for a program will be excluded. Remaining independent scores will then be averaged to generate the program score.

A financial review will be completed independently by a separate volunteer panel.