## **Fundacion Triple-S RFP 2021**

# **Eligibility requirements:**

#### Be designated a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization by the IRS.

• Fundación Triple-S only gives to nonprofit organizations working for charitable, religious, scientific, literary and other organizations under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).

#### Be registered and in good standing with the laws of Puerto Rico.

• The Foundation only makes gifts to organizations based in Puerto Rico.

## **Fundación Triple-S does not support:**

- Programs or events outside Puerto Rico
- Organizations that are not tax-exempt
- Political campaigns, candidates, parties or partisan activities
- Theological functions of sectarian, denominational or religious organizations
- Athletes or athletic teams
- Recreational or social events
- Students raising funds for travel to out-of-state competitions
- Capital projects or campaigns
- Organizations or causes that do not complement the Foundation's mission

**Project grants** are intended to help expand or complete projects related to food insecurity and/or social isolation and loneliness— further improving the health and wellbeing of people in Puerto Rico. Fundación Triple-S also makes proactive impact-style grant awards from this fund at its discretion.

**Amount** – Grant awards are up to \$25,000.00 per year.

**Length of time** - Projects lasting up to one year.

**Applying** – See application process.

**Deadlines** – Proposals must be submitted by November 4 no later than 4:00 pm.

Fundación Triple-S is committed to making investments in the work of partners who have made a demonstrated impact on the health and wellbeing of Puerto Ricans. These grants will help a group of partners further their important work on behalf of Puerto Ricans in need.

## **Projects may focus on:**

Addressing food insecurity and/or social isolation and loneliness.

Fundación Triple-S has particular interest in providing services related to the following criteria:

- Attention to one or more vulnerable populations such as: elderly, children, isolated people, people with chronic diseases.
  - Chronic conditions such as: high blood pressure, heart disease, diabetes, overweight, cancer, HIV, COPD, kidney disease and mental disorders.
- Serving a clearly defined need focused in geographical high-risk areas of food insecurity: Arecibo, Bayamón, Caguas, Fajardo, Metro. Need to justify.
- Provide food distribution integrating nutritional services and plan to achieve specific and measurable outcomes, with thoughtful and objective evaluation built in,
- Provide services in reasonable times to evaluate recurrences in health conditions and emotional wellbeing.
- Integrate social connectedness and emotional support activities
- Designed contingency plan to provide services during an emergency

Fundación Triple-S prefers projects pursuing innovative ideas to address food insecurity and promote social connectedness/emotional wellbeing. We are interested in projects focused on reducing social isolation through proven interventions such as community health education, food distribution, community integration, group activities such as recreation, health, and screening events, social and emotional services, access to technologies, that reach new and diverse communities.

Projects that integrate both social determinants of health will earn additional points in their evaluation.

**Request for Proposals** – The ideal project will naturally reflect and communicate the values and impact of our Foundation in two main social determinants of health: food insecurity and social isolation. Grantee will integrate Triple S health initiatives into their communities, prior coordination.

**Selection and Awards** - Submitting a formal application is not a guarantee of funding. We cannot guarantee that we will support your initiative.

Fundación Triple-S cannot fund every project even if it meets our criteria for success.

Our staff will evaluate full proposals based on the criteria listed, with the assistance of a panel of experts, if necessary. This information will be presented to Fundación Triple-S Board of Directors for final selection of projects.

Funding for grants is at the sole discretion of our Board of Directors. The ideal grant project is:

- Building on the success of a past grant project or initiatives.
- Properly staffed by an organization with capacity to complete activities in the time proposed.
- Designed to make an impact on communities over the long term (build resilience)
- Able to communicate the values and impact of our Foundation within the community served,

• Has a budget that reflects matching funds and in kind.

If your organization receives a Project grant award, your grant contract will stipulate an annual report on program progress with data and financial evidence.