

Environmental Justice Fund

2024 Scoring Rubric

CRITERIA	STRONG	NEEDS ATTENTION
<p>ALIGNMENT WITH EJ FUND PURPOSE AND PRIORITIES</p> <p><u>Reference questions</u></p> <p>Q1. Community Need</p> <p>Q2: Project Description</p> <p>Q3. People</p> <p>Q4. Impact</p> <p>Q5. Racial Justice</p>	<p>These aspects demonstrate alignment with EJ Fund priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicant demonstrates understanding of their community’s needs as driven by environmental and/or climate inequities. - Project outcomes clearly address the community needs identified by the applicant. - Priority community(ies) are key decision makers or deeply involved in all project phases - Applicant’s team possesses the lived experiences and/or skills to carry out the project. - Applicant has a specific and meaningful commitment to racial justice. 	<p>These aspects demonstrate a misalignment with EJ Fund priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community needs are unclear or do not take into account inequitable environmental or climate impacts. - Project outcomes do not address the community needs identified by the applicant. - Priority community(ies) are not key decision-makers or are only engaged at the end of the project, if at all. - Applicant lacks a team with the necessary lived experiences and/or skills to carry out the project. - Organization’s commitment to racial justice is vague or non-existent.
<p>PROJECT FEASIBILITY</p> <p><u>Reference questions</u></p> <p>Q2: Project Description</p> <p>Project Timeline</p> <p>Project Budget</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The project aligns with the purpose of the EJ Fund and will advance climate or environmental justice for priority community(ies). - Project activities are feasible. - Project timing is feasible. - Budget is appropriate for the proposed project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The project is inconsistent with EJ Fund purpose. - Project activities are missing or not feasible. - Project timing is not feasible. - Budget is not appropriate for the proposed project