Q&A from Passion Grants and CBO Capacity Building Info Session

Is there a fact sheet with this information and deadlines?
Yes, you can find all the information and deadlines for specific grant programs as well as their individual information sheets at LancFound.org/grants.

Do we fund faith based organizations?
Yes, as long as the project is not meant to advance a specific religious agenda and the project should be open to anyone even if they are not aligned with the particular religion. We are always open to fund community projects that assist with food access, housing, etc.

For the John J Snyder Fund, what do we mean when we say the building should be registered as a historical building?
The building you are applying to restore should somehow be documented as a historical building locally, regionally, or nationally. If it is part of a large historical district, we would also need more information about the building itself, what purpose it has, and the history of the building. You also have an opportunity to explain the historical significance in the application. We are also open to having a more in depth conversation if you have questions about a specific building.

You usually don’t fund schools, would there be an instance where you might?
We usually do not fund schools or school districts, however, as we work to drive diversity, equity, and inclusion projects, we would be open to having a conversation if you have a project in mind that might benefit a large population of students in this area. The Clean Water Fund might also be open to funding projects that support clean water infrastructure or education in Lancaster County. Reach out and we can have a more in depth conversation if you have a project in mind.

Would you fund an organization through the Capacity Building grant if we have already started strategic planning?
We do not back track funding, so the dollars could not be used to pay for expenses acquired before the grant was awarded, however, if there are still future aspects of the strategic planning that the fund could help support you could still apply. Detail the specifics of how the funds would be used in the application.

Could funds be used for staff salaries?
A small portion of the grant could be used to supplement staff salaries; however, we do not want the full grant dollars to be used for that purpose. We do recognize that sometimes there are departments or staff that provide very specific services that could be a part of the project.