



## **COUNTY OF COLUMBUS NON-PROFIT FUNDING CRITERIA**

Funded services must be equally available to all eligible residents of the County. Each non-profit organization may develop its own service eligibility criteria, but such criteria may not include any form of illegal discrimination. If the agency charges fees for services to be provided with County funding those fees must be applied on a sliding fee basis that allows all to participate irrespective of their ability to pay full cost.

The applicant organization should clearly demonstrate its ability (i.e., that it has appropriate staffing, financial resources, equipment, etc.) to provide the proposed services.

Proposals shall clearly identify the relationship between the funding request and the provision of a given service or services.

Proposals shall clearly document the need for the proposed services.

Proposals shall identify the number of Columbus County residents that are expected to receive direct services during the fiscal year as a result of County funding. Renewal requests shall indicate the actual number of Columbus County residents served during the funded period.

Proposals that request funding for services that are already available in the County must clearly demonstrate that they will address an unmet service demand, or that they will deliver comparable services at a significantly lower unit cost than the currently available services.

Each organization that receives funding shall present a written report to the County on or about January 15<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup> of each year that documents its success in providing the funded services during the prior 6 months.