

Service United Fund - Expression of Interest

The purpose of this Expression of Interest is to begin a conversation on how your state or territory can participate in the Service United Fund initiative. It is the first step in a collaborative process to align the type of work you want to do with the kind of grant you may want to apply for, and to identify any supports that might be beneficial to your service strategy. The questions below are to help the Service United Fund set up an initial call with you to discuss your state or territory's current or potential service strategy.

The person submitting this form must be part of the Governor's office and designated by the Governor as the point person for this effort. Additional partners, such as state agencies, state service commissions, institutes of higher education, nonprofits, etc., can be consulted and brought directly into the conversation once the process is underway. If and when you ultimately apply for funding, there will be an opportunity to discuss what specific entity should receive the grant and which individuals will lead implementation.

Please note, the information you provide in this Expression of Interest will not be used to evaluate your state or territory should you decide to submit a grant application later in the process. The purpose of this form is to gather information to set up a productive conversation.

Only one Expression of Interest may be submitted by each state or territory.

If you have any questions, please email us at applications@serviceunitedfund.org.

* Indicates required question

1. Name *

2. Title *

3. Email *

4. State/Territory *

5. Do you confirm that you have been designated as the point person in the Governor's Office to engage with the Service United Fund initiative? *

This is a requirement for submitting the Expression of Interest.

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

6. **Service as a Strategy** *

Context: By service, we mean paid, structured programs where young people, approximately 16- to 24-years-old, serve together to improve outcomes for your state or territory. This can be through serving at a nonprofit, in the public sector, or (in certain cases) with a private enterprise. By service as a strategy, we mean intentionally designing and harnessing service programs in your state or territory to advance three key outcomes: 1) creating pathways into adulthood for young people; 2) improving outcomes on important issues for communities (e.g., education, healthcare, workforce development, etc.); and 3) bringing people together across lines of difference. Service as a strategy can encompass full and part-time roles, and it can also include integration with a broader volunteer strategy for your state or territory.

Question: In ~300 words (2,000 characters) or less, please tell us about the type of service strategy you would like to build or strengthen. What do you hope service as a strategy can do for your state or territory?

7. Key Partners (Optional)

Context: The intent with this question is to identify key partners that you anticipate will be helpful in your service strategy. This information will help the Service United Fund identify any particular expertise that might be helpful for you to engage during the application process, should you choose to apply for a grant. Please indicate any state agencies, state service commissions, schools, civil society groups, businesses, or other partners that you anticipate playing a significant role in your service strategy. If you do not currently have any key partners identified, it's fine to leave this blank.

Question: In ~300 words (2,000 characters) or less, who do you expect to be the key partners in your efforts?

8. Questions for the Service United Fund team (Optional)

What questions do you have for us? (Max ~300 words or 2,000 characters)
