



The Healing Trust Catalyst for Change Award

The Healing Trust Catalyst for Change Award recognizes organizations that demonstrate boldness in expanding access to care, especially for vulnerable populations in Middle Tennessee, through *systems change advocacy*. This award is intended for organizations working in the field of health and human services that advocate in the interest of entire populations beyond those they can serve through direct services by working on long-term, structural changes like:

- public policy
- institutional changes
- program improvements

Agencies that will be competitive for this award go beyond individual patient/client advocacy and work to eliminate barriers, expand access, or improve care for whole populations of people who lack access to resources. If you have questions or would like specific examples of this type of work, please contact The Healing Trust at Grants@healingtrust.org.

The Catalyst for Change Award winner will receive a \$10,000 award and two finalist agencies will each receive \$5,000 awards.

Requirements for the Catalyst for Change Award:

- Must be an organization that has been a 501(c)(3) for at least three years, is a member of CNM, and implement program(s) that has(have) health implications for the vulnerable in Middle Tennessee.
- Local chapters of national organizations may apply, provided the chapters are locally managed and have financial information available on a local basis.

Previous Winners and Finalists:

- Previous winners (\$10,000) of either of The Healing Trust Awards are not eligible to reapply for a THT award for three years. (For example, if the agency was a winner of a THT award in 2016, the agency is eligible to re-apply for a THT award in 2020.)
- Previous finalists (\$5000) of The Healing Trust Awards may reapply, but not within the same THT Award Category for two years. (For example, if the agency was an award finalist in 2017, the agency is eligible to re-apply for that same award in 2020.)

Questions:

1. Describe the population that is being targeted through your agency's efforts to improve access to care. Additionally, please describe the specific health implications for this particular population that have been produced as a result of your efforts. (Please limit your response to 100 words.) *
2. Describe how your agency's advocacy initiative(s) have broken down barriers and improved access to care for a population. Please be specific and detailed in your response. (Please limit your response to 200 words.) *
3. Describe how your agency's specific, effective systems change advocacy has been employed and detail how your agency engages its core constituency (target population) in its advocacy efforts. (Please limit your response to 200 words.) *
4. List any coalition partners with whom your agency has worked to advocate for policy, institutional, or program changes in order to improve access to care for the vulnerable or underserved. Please briefly describe their role in the coalition (Please limit your response to 100 words.) *