



## Preview of 2026 Pre-Qualifying Grant Application Form Questions

This is a preview of the questions in the pre-qualifying application form, however the application **MUST** be completed and submitted through our online form at <https://givingsight.org/2026-grant-pre-qualifying-form/> between March 1 - 20, 2026.

1. Organization name
  
2. Name of project
  
3. Country in which your organization is located
  
4. Country in which the proposed project is located
  
5. Website of organization

**The following questions are elements to assess if your program meets the mission and criteria for eligibility for OGS program funding. The mission of OGS is to support sustainable and scalable optometry-led programs that educate eye care providers locally and enable the establishment and delivery of vision care and eye health to all.**

[Click here for information about our mission and goals](#)

6. What statement explains the scope of your project (select all that apply)
  - Deliver eye examinations and low-cost or no-cost glasses to underserved/marginalized populations via an initiative that contains a strong optometry education component
  - Establish or support optometry development through optometry schools, eye clinics, vision centers and/or optical labs
  - A service delivery initiative tied to optometry education and/or the development of optometry
  - None of the above

7a. Please select the level of training the optometrists involved in your program have (ie - the optometrists who will be giving eye exams, teaching people to be optometrists, etc). Select all that apply if more than one optometrist.

- No formal school training, learned the profession as a trade
- A certificate program of less than a year
- A technical degree of 2-3 years in optometry/optical
- A bachelor degree in optometry
- A doctor degree in optometry
- None of the above, please specify below

If you answered 'None of the above' in question 7a, please specify in 140 characters (approx 20 words) or less

7b. If your project involves training people to become optometrists, select the level of training they will have upon graduating. (Skip this question if your program does not train optometrists.)

- A certificate program of less than a year
- A technical degree of 2-3 years in optometry/optical
- A bachelor degree in optometry
- A doctor degree in optometry
- None of the above, please specify below

If you answered 'None of the above' in question 7b, please specify in 140 characters (approx 20 words) or less

8. Briefly describe the scope of the project for which you are applying for funding, and its intended impact, in 1000 characters (approx 150 words) or less

9. Is your project led/managed by optometrists/optometry? Describe who will manage your project, in 525 characters (approx 60 words) or less

10. Is your project part of a long-term program with a view and a plan towards sustainability?

- Yes
- No

11. Please select the statements that apply to your program's plan to be sustainable (select all that apply)

- The program partners with local organizations and has services integrated, or has plans to be integrated, in the local health system
- The program employs or trains local optometrists
- The program has in place a plan to operate independently from external funding within a foreseeable future
- The program has the support of local government or local community leaders
- None of the above

12. Please expand on your selection above as to how your project is sustainable in the local context in 700 characters (approx 100 words) or less

13. Is your organization affiliated with or funded by a larger parent organization (including private sector, philanthropic organizations, government organizations)?

- Yes
- No

If 'Yes', list the name of the parent organization

14. Is your organization one of the following?

- USA, tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6) of the IRS Tax Code
- Registered charity or non-profit (Canadian or international)
- Academic institution (not for profit)
- Clinical institution (not for profit)
- No

15. Is your organization able to match requested funds (financially or in-kind) by at least 15%? (We give priority to organizations that can match)

- Yes
- No

16. Your organization will be required to submit reports and may be asked to demonstrate evidence of the impact of the proposed project in the form of independent reviews/evaluations, quality-assured monitoring data, reports validated by monitoring trips or stakeholders, or independent research conducted in the sector. Do you agree to this?

- Yes
- No

17. Is your organization non-partisan, non-commercial, and non-religious? Note: Faith-based organizations may apply but their programs and services must be available to anyone regardless of faith, and must not include any proselytizing. If this is the case, answer 'yes' below.

- Yes
- No

**NOTE: We fund one-year projects and multi-year projects, however we only fund one year at a time so your project application and the information below must reflect the one-year period. Receiving funding for one year of a multi-year project does not guarantee that you will receive funding for the subsequent years - you must apply each year.**

18. Please indicate the amount of funding requested (input numerals only)

19. List in an itemized format how the requested funding will be used to achieve your program's goals

20. If your project is longer than what you are proposing in this application or is part of a long-term initiative, what are the dates for the duration of the project? (YYYY/MM to YYYY/MM - best estimate). Please also indicate the total estimated budget for your initiative. (90 characters maximum - approx 15 words)

21. Has OGS funded your organization in the past?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please indicate how was OGS recognized in your marketing material for our past contribution (eg. website link, brochure with OGS logo, etc)

22. Name of contact person

23. Contact person's job title

24. Weblink of contact person (e.g. LinkedIn, etc)

25. Email address of contact person

26. Phone number of contact person