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| <p><i>Our MOA has expired. Who should write the letter that we're working to update the agreement?</i></p>  | <p>Ideally the Regional Director of your state agency, but the park or site manager can also write the letter.</p>  |
| <p><i>We are having difficulty getting construction quotes from certified MWBE construction firms -</i></p>   | <p>We encourage seeking out MWBE vendors for your projects, but it is not mandatory. Understandably they are more common in industries over others and accessibility to them varies throughout New York State. A statement that a good-faith effort has been made in your search is adequate for the application.</p>   |
| <p><i>with regards to construction or capital, do any funding sources from Parks &amp; Trails address costs and expenses for one-time building re-use. In other words, The Niagara Post Theater in Fort Niagara State Park aligns in mission and in focus, however, we consider the updates the singular most important factor in our org capacity building efforts. 3.5 million capital project, but sub-projects are enhancing programs and services and the staffing to sustain these. Which budget do we use?</i></p> | <p>Providing the larger, overall budget (and if possible, delineating the sub-projects) for the application would be preferred so that reviewers will have an idea of the larger scope of the organization.</p>   |
| <p><i>Are audited financials required or just all the financials</i></p>  | <p>If your organization has audited financials, those are preferred. We understand that all organizations have the capacity for a professional audit, so it is not</p>  |
| <p><i>Is trail rehabilitation considered construction</i></p>   | <p>Yes.</p>   |
| <p><i>Please email me the website to find the labor expenses of volunteers for in-kind work. Can we include our tractor used by volunteers as in-kind donations?</i></p>  | <p><a data-bbox="934 831 1913 932" href="https://independentsector.org/resource/value-of-volunteer-time/#:~:text=The%20Current%20Estimated%20National%20Value,communities%2C%20and%20provide%20their%20expertise.">https://independentsector.org/resource/value-of-volunteer-time/#:~:text=The%20Current%20Estimated%20National%20Value,communities%2C%20and%20provide%20their%20expertise.</a></p> |