

Application Sample: General Communities
Total maximum possible points: 100 points

Please review these questions prior to beginning your QuickBase application. Edits made in the QuickBase site will not save if you leave the application before submitting. Please use this PDF as a template. All application narrative questions are provided below.

Communities will be awarded a score based on GEFA's affordability tool. This is an auto calculated score based on a variety of economic and social factors. (40 points)

Question 1. Blueprint Selection. Applicants will choose the specific blueprint(s) they would like to pursue and describe reasoning for their choice. Statement provides a concise description of the community's problem, who in the community is affected and why they chose this Blueprint to address this problem. They outline a path to successfully managing the Blueprint project, including project tracking, milestones, budgeting etc.
(20 points)



Question 2. Past performance. Communities will provide a narrative explaining the past experience of the community, or of an individual involved in the project, implementing a project or program for the community's benefit. Include an explanation of the outcomes, project management methodology, and what contributed to the project's success. (10 points)



Question 3. Community Engagement. Communities will describe how they intend to engage their communities in the Blueprint project decision, if awarded funding. How will the community utilize media tools to advertise, inform the public of the award, and/or create educational or workforce opportunities around the implementation of the Blueprint. (5 points)



Question 4. Community Resources. Communities have identified outside resources that will aid in their Blueprint implementation. Communities have identified nonprofits, community organizations, or other local groups that may provide support. Communities have indicated other funding sources they intend to apply for or already receive that can pair with the Blueprint award. (5 points)



Question 5. Community Benefits. Communities have identified and described energy benefits, as well as health, safety, or improved well-being for the community s from implementing the Blueprint. This could include reducing energy burden, increasing energy assurance, increased money savings, reduction of fossil fuels, etc. reduction of allergens from improved air quality, lessening eye strain from better lighting, creation of critical facility to use during power outages, creation of well-paying jobs or apprenticeships that will economically benefit the community etc. (20 points)

