Due to our policies on mutual expectations and partnership criteria, SOURCE cannot partner with every community-based organization (CBO) that submits application materials. In particular, we have a large number of existing CBO partners that focus on tutoring and mentoring or are Baltimore City Public Schools. In order to fulfill our commitments to these CBOs, and to also include partners with diverse missions, we have additional considerations and criteria for our new tutoring/mentoring CBOs and schools.

*If you believe that your CBO specifically fulfills one or more of the below criteria, please consider moving forward with submitting an application.

1) Uniqueness of Mission

In your application, please demonstrate to the best of your ability your organization’s unique mission. This allows us to better understand your CBO’s needs as well as your added contribution to the pool of existing SOURCE CBO partners. Indicate, if possible, any community health implications of your work as SOURCE primarily serves community health-oriented students, faculty, and staff.

2) Flexibility with Volunteer Availability and Interest

Health professional students from our JHU graduate schools do not often gravitate towards school, tutoring and mentoring opportunities which increases competition among CBOs with similar missions. Curriculum changes also limit the ability of our JHU students to commit to opportunities that are not directly related to their studies. Flexibility of schedule is helpful for JHU students who could commit volunteer hours on a changing basis.

3) Distance and Accessibility

Accessibility is important for JHU students, as many do not own a car and have limited time for commuting to CBOs. Please note your distance from the East Baltimore Campus as a factor. CBOs that are difficult to access by public transportation or walking may find difficulty generating JHU student interest.

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