



# **H-GAC FUNDING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

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# **GRANT WRITING TIPS**

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# AGENDA

**Overview of H-GAC Funding Development Program**

**Grant Writing Tips**

**Key Takeaways & Best Practices**

**Q&A**

# BACKGROUND & NEED

Origin of the H-GAC Funding Development Program



# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## **Purpose**

Provide direct grant technical assistance to support member governments.

## **How the Program Works**

Via a Call for Requests application operating a rolling intake schedule

## **Types of support**

- Identify funding opportunities
- Grant writing
- Budget development
- Grant trainings and workshops

## **Project Focus Areas**

- Housing
- Utility Infrastructure
- Community Infrastructure
- Public Health
- Supplemental Funding for Existing Grant Programs (solid waste, disaster resilience, criminal justice, safety)

## **Who can apply**

- Cities under 55,000 population
- Counties under 100,000 population

## Poll #1

*How would you describe your organization's  
experience with grants?*

## POLL #2

*What is the biggest challenge your organization faces when pursuing grants?*



WHAT MAKES  
GRANT  
APPLICATIONS  
COMPETITIVE

## START WITH A CLEAR PROBLEM STATEMENT



Be specific



Use data



Tie to community impact



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## **DEFINE A FUNDABLE PROJECT**

Scope

Budget

Timeline



ALIGN WITH  
THE  
FUNDER'S  
GOAL

## DEMONSTRATE CAPACITY & PARTNERSHIPS



STAFF ROLES

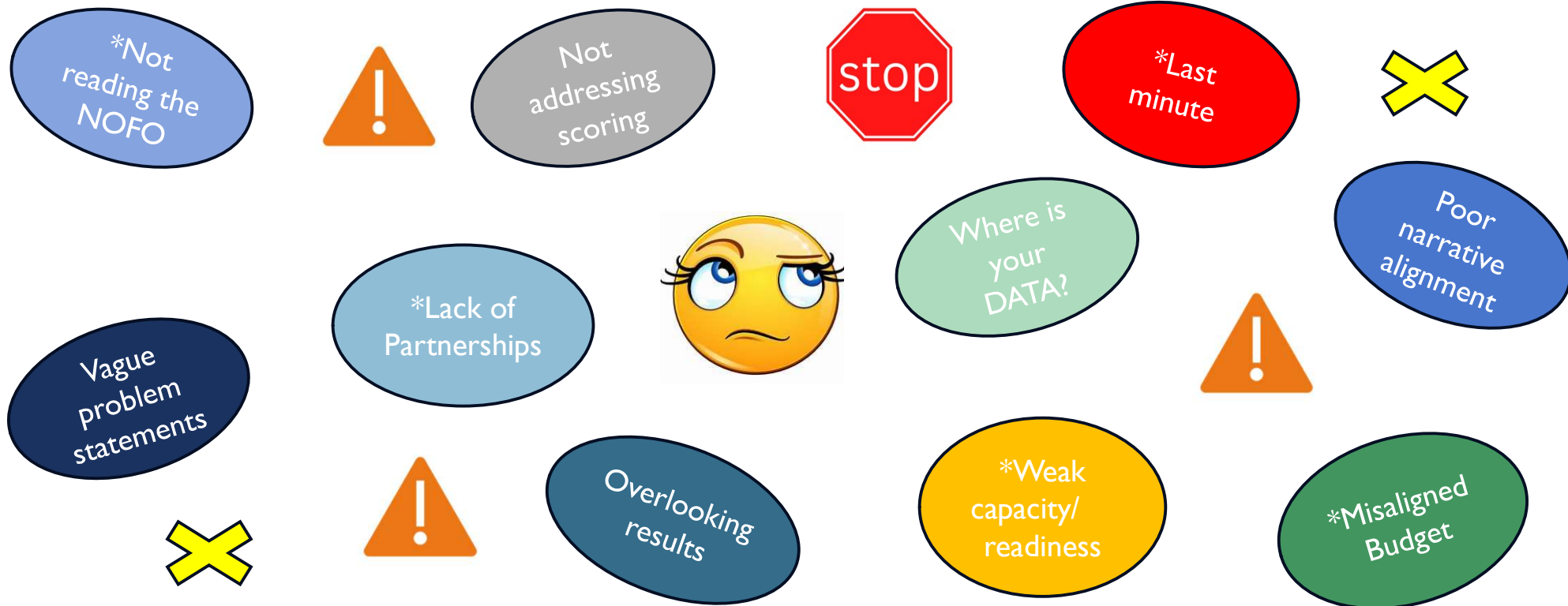


PARTNER  
COMMITMENTS



PAST SUCCESS

# COMMON PITFALLS TO AVOID





## KEY TAKEAWAYS & BEST PRACTICES



QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!

**<https://www.h-gac.com/funding-development>**

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