

Fiscal Sponsorship and Fiscal Agency Support from Engineers & Scientists Acting Locally (ESAL)

Who is ESAL?

ESAL is a national 501(c)3 nonprofit (EIN:83-2077343)

whose mission is to increase local civic engagement by people with backgrounds in STEM.

ESAL is run by three staff and 55+ part-time volunteers across the United States who are united by this mission.

Why offer fiscal sponsorship and agency?

ESAL provides support services to individuals and groups who are:

- **Applying for grants** to support their state- or community-level projects
- **Starting an organization or social enterprise** that does not have its own 501(c)3 status and supports our mission
- **Needing administrative support** to realize their local work

What can a sponsored individual or group expect from ESAL?

Primarily, ESAL intends to offer staff support for budgeting, purchasing, reimbursing, and grant reporting.

Optionally, we also can offer:

- **Project implementation advice**
- **Access to technology platforms**, including Zoom, Canva Pro, Mighty Networks, and Slack
- **Access to the ESAL staff**, volunteers, and the 3,000+ member network
- **Local civic engagement live workshops or access to ESAL's on-demand courses** as a part of your project (paid services)

How can you get started?

- Build your team and finalize your idea
- Confirm your project or organization aligns with ESAL's mission
- Identify potential funding opportunities
- **Reach out to ESAL at info@esal.us**

What will ESAL require?

- **A completed fiscal support request form**
- A plan for **meeting all funder requirements**
- A commitment to **clear and responsive communication** between project teams and ESAL staff
- Approval of any use of ESAL's logo, branding, or messaging
- A **5-12% administrative fee** to account for ESAL staff time to administer the project (the percentage is relative to the project budget)

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