

## **2025 FAST PITCH APPLICATION**

**Submission Deadline:** By Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm

**To submit, email completed application to:** [Fastpitch@svptucson.org](mailto:Fastpitch@svptucson.org)

**Confirmation:** Applicants will receive submission confirmation via email within 2-3 business days

**Note:** *This application is for nonprofits applying for a specific program within your organization. For example, Casa de los Niños participated in 2024 with their "Parenting Time" program.*

### **ORGANIZATION INFORMATION**

1. **Organization name:**
  - a. **Program name:**
  
2. **Website:**
  - a. **Program website:**
  
3. **EIN/Tax ID#:**
  
4. **Address (specify organization or program):**
  
5. **Organization headquarters (City, State):**
  
6. **What year did your organization begin operating?**
  - a. **What year did your program begin operating?**
  
7. **Total # of FTE (full-time equivalents) for your organization:**
  - a. **Total # of FTE for your program:**
  
8. **Current fiscal year budgeted revenues for your organization:**
  - a. **Current fiscal year budgeted revenues for your program:**
  
9. **Current fiscal year budgeted expenses for your organization:**
  - a. **Current fiscal year budgeted expenses for your program:**

**10. Name (and email) of the person filling out this application:**

**11. Mission Statement of your organization:**

**12. Please provide information about the program you are applying for. (500 character count with spaces)**

**Service provided:**

**Who does your program serve? Include demographic information.**

**How many people does your program serve per year? (Please include the total number served in a year)**

Where do you provide service? (ie: At your organization, in schools, etc.)

What are the projected outcomes?

### SVP TUCSON ALIGNMENT INFORMATION

**13. Which of the following 2Gen Key Components does your organization or program meet? Applicant organizations must meet ONE or more of the following 2Gen Components.** See the Application Guide for additional information about the 2025 Selection Criteria, pages 4-5.

Select ONE or more of the 2Gen Key Components.

**Early Childhood Education**

**K-12 Support**

**Postsecondary & Employment Pathways**

**Social Capital**

**Health, Including Mental and Physical Health**

**Economic Assets**

**14. Please explain how your organization meets ONE or more of the 2Gen Components listed in the question above: (2,000 character count with spaces)**

15. SVP Tucson is committed to investing in *Promising Nonprofits*. These are nonprofit organizations serving high poverty areas, provide direct services, are BIPOC led and serving, and have the least access to philanthropic dollars. **Please share how your organization represents a *Promising Nonprofit* based on this definition.** If you don't fit the whole definition, please share which parts do align with your organization. For example, describe how your organization's staff, leadership, and board reflects the community you intend to serve. (2,000 character count with spaces)

#### PARTICIPANT OR "PRESENTER" INFORMATION

This is the person who will participate in our entire training program to represent your organization. This person will attend fundraising and messaging workshops/practice sessions and present a *'fast pitch'* at the Main Event on Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025. This person will build **relationships** in our community, gain **resources** for your organization to thrive, and will help your nonprofit become more **resilient**.

16. Name of presenter:

17. Pronouns of presenter:

18. Title of presenter:

19. Select if the presenter is available on all the program dates listed on page 6 of the Application Guide

20. Cell phone number of presenter:

21. Email of presenter:

**22.** We strongly encourage organizations to select a pitch presenter who is directly involved in the program work and represents the diversity of Southern Arizona. **Please describe your background and the connection to the program and population you serve.** **\*\*Some of the most powerful on-stage pitches have been delivered by people who have been directly impacted by the issues the organization is addressing\*\*** (2,000 character count with spaces)

**23.** How does the presenter rate their public speaking skill level? Please select ONE option below.

**I do not know.**

**I am terrified!**

**I am a work-in-progress → I need improvement.**

**I have experience and/or confidence but seek training/practice.**

**Mic Drop! I am Pitch Perfect!**

**Please note:** Fast Pitch was designed to support ALL skill levels and to provide robust training to prepare participants for the big stage!

## NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

You've just received an invitation to yet another meeting. But, wait! This invitation is special. It is from one of the founders of *Philanthropy Only Brighter*, a global network of engaged philanthropists. You're in shock as you read the message:

"Hey! We met last winter at SVP Tucson's [2Gen](#) event. We only spoke for a few minutes, but your story stuck with me. This is super short notice, but are you free to meet in one hour? This is a rare opportunity for you to meet with our Giving Committee and Founding Members. We will only have a few minutes to connect with you, but we are thrilled to learn more about the problem your organization wishes to solve. Hope to see you soon."

You immediately RSVP "Yes." Before you know it, your meeting has begun. You are warmly welcomed into the room and introduced to the team. You are amazed at the diversity, experience, dedication, and passion in this virtual room. You know you can't give another business proposal. They want to hear your passion, why you have dedicated yourself to your nonprofit, and how you're making a difference in your community.

**Your ability to explain your impact in an effective and brief conversation will be critical to increasing their interest.** You only have a few minutes to explain your focus, how effectively you could use their support, and how you will help your community. Each person in the meeting takes a turn asking you a different question. (1,000 character count with spaces)

**24. Tell us about your organization, or if applicable, the specific program you are applying for. In brief, what would you like us to know?**

**25. Why are you focusing on the communities or populations that you serve?**

**26. How is your work informed and influenced by the communities or population(s) that you serve?**

**27. What are the critical issues you are trying to solve? Why these? How does your program work to address the root cause(s) of the issue(s)?**

**28. How is your approach unique and more effective than other organizations at addressing the same problem? Please be specific.**



**29. How are you measuring your short-term and long-term impact? How do your best results and stats compare to other solutions?**

**30. Give us a real-life example of your mission in action. How do you meaningfully change the lives of people in Southern Arizona?**

The meeting is almost over. Everyone is saying thank you and goodbye. You are just about to leave the meeting when you are asked one last question:

**31. Why do you want to be part of the Fast Pitch 2025 program?**