



Paul T. Spraggins Grant Initiative – Scoring Rubric

Category	3	2	1	0	Score
Project Purpose & Alignment	The project goal is clearly stated, compelling, and directly advances the Paul T. Spraggins Initiative mission of strengthening statewide capacity to advocate for low-income, first-generation students. A clear need is demonstrated.	The purpose of the project is stated and generally aligns with the initiative’s mission. Need is mentioned but not strongly demonstrated.	The project’s purpose is unclear or weakly aligns with the initiative’s mission. Need is implied but not described.	The project does not articulate a purpose or does not align with the Spraggins Initiative mission.	
Project Design & Implementation Plan	The proposal features a well-developed, feasible plan with specific activities, defined roles, and a clear timeline. The design logically leads to intended outcomes and demonstrates thoughtful planning.	The plan includes identifiable activities, though some elements (roles, timeline, or logic to outcomes) are underdeveloped or unclear. Feasibility is adequate but not strong.	The project design is vague, missing key details, or lacks clarity on how activities lead to outcomes. Feasibility is questionable.	No meaningful implementation plan is provided.	



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Evaluation & Outcome Measures	The project includes clear, appropriate, and feasible outcome measures tied directly to intended results. Methods for documenting impact are explicitly described.	The project identifies at least two outcome measures but lacks clarity in how results will be assessed or used.	The project identifies at least one outcome measure, but the connection to goals or assessment approach is unclear.	No outcome measures or evaluation approach are described.	
Creative and Impactful Project Approach	The project uses a thoughtful and meaningful approach that is likely to strengthen statewide advocacy capacity. The approach shows clear intentionality and alignment to project goals.	The project identifies some meaningful practices, but the connection between approach and expected impact is not clearly articulated.	The project approach is limited, generic, or minimally connected to desired impact.	No project approach is described or the approach does not relate to desired impact.	
Budget & Cost Alignment	Budget is complete, reasonable, and directly aligns costs to project activities and outcomes. Requested funds are justified.	Budget is complete but lacks strong cost justification or clear alignment to activities/outcomes.	Budget is incomplete or contains unclear costs or unjustified expenditures.	No budget submitted.	



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Regional Association Support	A signed statement from the regional association was digitally submitted.	—	—	Documentation was not submitted.	

Total Points: ____ / 18