Priority 2 Granting Process and COI

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Priority 2 Process

- Priority 2 projects will be solicited via a competitive, public Request for Proposals (RFP) process
- The Co-trustees will select the projects that best meet Priority 2 goals (which we will discuss later today)
- The only venue for organizations or communities to advocate for projects under Priority 2 will be through the RFP process
 - NOT through work group activities
 - Manages potential conflict of interest concerns by ensuring work group members will not have a competitive advantage



RFP Scope and Language

- The RFP will be discussed more at future Work Group meetings, but some key take-homes include:
 - Approved project funding will go out through grant contracts
 - The tentative plan based on current expectations is to put the RFP out early 2024
 - There will be a formal notice of the RFP on the website
 - Who is eligible to apply for funding will be discussed with the Work Groups



Work/Sub-Groups and Conflict of Interest

- Work Group participants will be able to develop/submit proposals
 - Work groups will not evaluate or provide feedback on proposed projects
 - All meetings will be open to the public work group participation will not provide competitive edge
- Subgroup participants will be able to develop/submit proposals
 - Subgroup will be used to secure insights regarding ongoing planning efforts
 - Specific Priority 2 project ideas will not be discussed
 - Subgroup participation does not provide a competitive advantage



Questions?

• Clarifying questions, concerns or feedback on the work group RFP process or COI?

