American Nonprofits

Limited English Proficiency Assessment

and Language Assistance Plan

LEP Assessment

FOUR-FACTOR LEP ANALYSIS:

As a recipient of federal funding, American Nonprofits, is required to conduct an LEP assessment that considers the following four factors to determine whether a Language Access Plan (LAP) is required and what elements should be included.

<u>Factor #1:</u> The number or proportion of LEP persons served or encountered in the eligible service population ("served or encountered" includes those persons who would be served or encountered by American Nonprofits if the persons received adequate education and outreach and American Nonprofits provides sufficient language services).

AMERICAN NONPROFITS's service area encompasses the state of California; the state's LEP populations reflect:

- 19% of the state's population age five and older speak English "less than very well", representing 6,435,490 persons (ACS \$1601, 2022 ACS 1-Year Estimates Subject Tables). Overall, people in California speak:
 - o 30.8% speak Spanish;
 - o 1.26 million people in California speak Chinese
 - o 780,000 Californians speak Tagalog
 - o 556,000 speak Vietnamese
 - o 358,000 speak Korean
 - Other languages spoken in California include: Barbareno, Cruzeno, and 100 indigenous languages.

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Because more than 1,000 LEP persons are in American Nonprofits' service area, American Nonprofits will provide appropriate language assistance by:

- 1. Offering translation of all vital documents;
- 2. Posting notices of public hearings and similar public comment events in areas frequented by LEP persons of the threshold population(s) in the language(s) spoken; and
- **3.** Providing translation services at public hearings, if requested to do so by LEP persons.

<u>Factor #2:</u> The frequency with which LEP persons come into contact with the program.

LEP persons come into contact with American Nonprofits' programs in proportion to their presence in California's overall population.

<u>Factor #3</u>: The nature and importance of the program, activity, or service provided by the program.

Founded in 2013, American Nonprofits works to bring financial resources to the nonprofit sector in a sustainable and impactful manner. As part of this work, American Nonprofits provides a range of lending and community development services benefiting disadvantaged persons and communities in California.

Factor #4: The resources available and costs to the recipient.

American Nonprofits' staff includes bilingual persons (Spanish) who can provide verbal or written translation of vital documents, if requested by LEP persons. Alternatively, American Nonprofits accesses private sector translation services as needed to ensure LEP persons have access to translated vital documents.

Based on the four-factor analysis above, American Nonprofits is required to have a Language Assistance Plan.

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Language Assistance Plan

AMERICAN NONPROFITS's service area includes the state of AMERICAN NONPROFITS. With regard to assisting program participants who may have limited English proficiency, AMERICAN NONPROFITS has completed a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) assessment utilizing American Community Survey data to identify LEP populations. LEP populations include:

- 1.5% of the state's population age five and older speak English "less than very well", representing 19,455 persons (ACS S1601, 2022 ACS 1-Year Estimates Subject Tables). Of those:
 - o 1,548 speak Spanish;
 - o 10,624 speak other Indo-European languages;
 - o 4,638 speak Asian / Pacific Island languages;
 - o 2,615 speak other languages.

AMERICAN NONPROFITS takes the following proactive measures to ensure meaningful access for LEP persons:

- 1. Staff have the USDA "I Speak" card with which to identify the primary language of the LEP person.
- 2. AMERICAN NONPROFITS posts required notice(s) describing the Federal laws prohibiting job discrimination based on race, color, sex (including pregnancy and related conditions, sexual orientation, or gender identity), national origin, religion, age (40 and older), equal pay, disability or genetic information (including family medical history or genetic tests or services), and retaliation for filing a charge, reasonably opposing discrimination, or participating in a discrimination lawsuit, investigation, or proceeding.
- 3. For all LEP populations identified above AMERICAN NONPROFITS has Equal Opportunity brochures and non-discrimination posters available in the applicable languages available at https://www.eeoc.gov/poster

{If applicable} AMERICAN NONPROFITS also has a {MOU/contract} with {translation services provider}. Through this partnership AMERICAN NONPROFITS can provide translated vital documents should the need arise.

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Population 5 years and over	1,324,322	(X)	1,304,867	98.5	19,455	1.5	
Speak only English	1,245,300	94	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Speak a language other than English	79,022	6	59,567	75.4	19,455	24.6	
SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH							
Spanish	10,873	0.8	9,295	85.5	1,578	14.5	
Other Indo-European languages	49,084	3.7	38,460	78.4	10,624	21.6	
Asian and Pacific Island languages	11,038	0.8	6,400	58	4,638	42	
Other languages	8,027	0.6	5,412	67.4	2,615	32.6	
CITIZENS 18 YEARS AND OVER							
All citizens 18 years old and over	1,119,712	(X)	1,107,514	98.9	12,198	1.1	
Speak only English	1,064,155	95	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Speak a language other than English	55,557	5	43,359	78	12,198	22	
Spanish	8,558	0.8	7,463	87.2	1,095	12.8	
Other languages	46,999	4.2	35,896	76.4	11,103	23.6	

HUD Safe Harbor Provisions

Size of Language Group	Recommended Provision of Written Language Assistance		
1,000 or more in the eligible population in the market area or among current beneficiaries	Translated vital documents		
More than 5% of the eligible population or beneficiaries <i>and</i> more than 50 in number	Translated vital documents		
More than 5% of the eligible population or beneficiaries and 50 or less in number	Translated written notice of right to receive free oral interpretation of documents.		
5% or less of the eligible population or beneficiaries and less than 1,000 in number	No written translation is required.		