

The RISE Framework for Social Change

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	How is your favorite organization doing in each of these areas?	5 = Great! This is a strength. 3 = Okay, but we could do better. 1 = We really need improvement.				
RELEVANCE	Strong relationships with and a deep understanding of individuals and community served.	5	4	3	2	1
	Clarity about need or issue being addressed.	5	4	3	2	1
	Awareness of key actors and stakeholders; openness to collaboration.	5	4	3	2	1
	Solid understanding of "what works," lessons learned, and best practice in the field.	5	4	3	2	1
	A real opportunity exists to effect change.	5	4	3	2	1
	Overall success in achieving Relevance	5	4	3	2	1
IMPACT	Clear definition of "success" and desired results.	5	4	3	2	1
	Use of research, data, experience, best practice or other reliable information in program design.	5	4	3	2	1
	Program design logically "connects the dots" between activities and intended results.	5	4	3	2	1
	Accountability for results and making a difference.	5	4	3	2	1
	Evaluation is used as a continual learning and improvement process.					
	Overall success in achieving Impact	5	4	3	2	1
SUSTAINABILITY	Clarity about real cost of doing business, including fair salaries and the overhead necessary to be successful.	5	4	3	2	1
	Clear business model.	5	4	3	2	1
	Strong value proposition to potential funders.	5	4	3	2	1
	Reliable funding streams from multiple sources.	5	4	3	2	1
	Effective financial management, accountability, and transparency.	5	4	3	2	1
	Overall success in achieving Sustainability	5	4	3	2	1
EXCELLENCE IN MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONS	Compliance w/ state and federal requirements.	5	4	3	2	1
	Well-qualified executive director and staff.	5	4	3	2	1
	Board of Directors qualified to govern, plan, and fundraise effectively.	5	4	3	2	1
	Marketing and communication materials are professional, engaging, and comprehensive.	5	4	3	2	1
	Appropriate and effective legal, financial, HR, IT, and facilities management systems.	5	4	3	2	1
	Overall success in achieving Excellence in Management and Operations	5	4	3	2	1

