



## Region 12 Creative Entrepreneur Accelerator Program

# Submission Process Checklist

- ☐ Review guidelines and eligibility criteria for Creative Entrepreneur Accelerator (CEA) Program as listed on the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies (CFA) website.
- ☐ Download the referral form for the CEA grant application.
- ☐ Arrange a meeting with one of the Region 12 Referral Partners for business plan review.  
[Not sure which Referral Partner you should reach out to?](#)  
Reach out to Emily Wood from CFA for assistance in choosing:
  - ✉ ewood@cfalleghenies.org
  - ☎ 814-208-8448
- ☐ Once you have a signed and approved referral form, your Referral Partner will invite you to complete the application.

Prepare the following documents for your application:

- Completed and signed referral form
- Business plan
- Project budget

## Important Notes

- Eligible entrepreneurs must engage a Region 12 Referral Partner in at least one consultation regarding a business formation or development activity.
- Referral Partners must determine the appropriateness of a referral to the CEA Program using the referral criteria.
- Referral of a creative entrepreneur to CFA does not guarantee that a grant award will be made; CFA will make final determinations based on eligibility and availability of funds.



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## Referral Partners



### Saint Francis University

#### Small Business Development Center

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