

After a great first round of [Community Staking Grants dedicated to CSM Resources](#), and now that the CSM is live on Ethereum Mainnet with +200 operators, the Community Lifeguards Initiative sub-committee is opening up the next grants round as a Request-For-Proposals for community contributions of tooling that help node operators in the CSM understand and use the protocol.

## Scope of this round

Any useful CSM-related tooling contribution is welcome, but here are some ideas on our wishlist:

- Reward calculators for NOs
- Monitoring tools (includes contributions to the [CSM Sentinel](#))
- Informational dashboards about CSM (e.g. using something like Dune), and dashboards that help NOs navigate and use the module (e.g. local grafana dashes)
- Support for CSM in other community-run tools (e.g., [Rescue Node](#))

If what you're working on doesn't fit the scope of this round, or exceeds the amount of funding available but would like to be considered for a grant, please refer to the regular [Community Staking grant process](#).

## Funding

Up to USD \$10,000

Note that this constitutes a maximum, and asks should be reasonable to be considered. This RFP is to incentivize small/mid-sized tools, and not meant to support larger tools like the [Request for Proposal | CSM and SDVTM integration](#) did.

It is possible that we request support from LEGO to fund these proposals if the amount requested ends up being more than the 30K DAI total budgeted for this round.

## How to apply

To apply for funding, please comment on this thread with your proposal, a few lines about you/the team, contact info and an address on Ethereum Mainnet.

Please DM the Community Lifeguards ([enti](#), [Sam](#), [GLCStaked](#)) for any clarifying questions or concerns regarding the round (i.e., checking if your proposal is in scope or if the funding ask is reasonable). The members of the Community Lifeguards Initiative will be processing grants on a rolling basis until February 14th, 2025.

## Judging criteria

Grants will be selected using the following considerations:

- All contributions must be open source
- Overall quality (e.g., code follows best practices and it's easy to read)
- Usability of the contribution
- Uniqueness and novel value of the contributions (e.g., providing monitoring or data not available in other tools)

## Helpful resources

Here are some helpful resources to get your work started:

- [Community Staking Module Overview](#)
- [Intro to the CSM | Lido Docs](#)
- [CSM Sentinel by Skhomuti](#)
- [Community Staking Module | Node Operator Portal](#)