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FY Start Readiness Checklist

Category	Question	Indicators of Readiness
Strategic Alignment	Do your current systems support your strategic and equity goals?	Clear alignment between system capabilities and organizational priorities.
Operational Efficiency	Are teams able to access and enter data with minimal duplication and delays?	Streamlined workflows and minimal manual re-entry across systems.
Data Integrity & Access	Can you trust the quality and consistency of your data across departments?	Reliable data pipelines, validation rules, and accessible reports.
User Empowerment	Do staff at all levels feel confident and capable using your systems?	User-friendly interfaces, adequate training, and high adoption rates.
Scalability & Flexibility	Can your data infrastructure adapt to program growth, partnerships, or policy shifts?	Modular, cloud-based systems with configurable features and strong vendor support.
Insight & Storytelling	Do you have the tools and structure in place to tell a clear story with your data?	Dashboards, integrated datasets, and reporting aligned to funder and community needs.

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