

2018-2019 Community Grants Request for Proposals
Answers to Questions Posted -- 10/4/18

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Budget	Can we request a specific amount, or is that decided by DCYF?	Applicants can request any amount up to the total award amount. Applicants are permitted to apply for less than the total amount available in a grant, however they will receive less points in the Grant Budget section of their submission. This section accounts for 10% of the total score.
Budget	If we were to apply to the District 9: Social-emotional mentorship and support for newcomer, English language learner students in 6-12th grade from the Mission and the allocated amount for 18/19 is \$25,000 as per the RFP document, our project budget should not exceed this amount (\$25,000)?	Grant budgets cannot exceed the total award amount.
Budget	May we apply for partial amounts for the aforementioned grants?	Applicants are permitted to apply for less than the total amount available in a grant, however they will receive less points in the Grant Budget section of their submission. This section accounts for 10% of the total score.
Budget	Regarding the Community Grants RFP released on September 19, 2018, are we required to apply for the entire amount a particular Addback Program or can we apply for a portion of what has been allocated. For instance, would we be able to seek funding for \$10,000/yr of the \$225,000/yr allocated for the Citywide Enrichment Leadership and Skill Building program?	Applicants are permitted to apply for less than the total amount available in a grant, however they will receive less points in the Grant Budget section of their submission. This section accounts for 10% of the total score.
Budget	Under Budget...Staff/Benefits...Do we still add a description in the field if we are putting ZERO? For example, we are not asking for salary/benefits for instructors, but do we still list all of our instructors?	No description is necessary for budget lines that are not utilized in a proposal.
Eligibility	Are we permitted to propose two different projects within the same category? Does the application portal allow for this?	Applicants are permitted to apply for multiple Community Grants, and submit multiple applications for the same grant. In these cases applicants will need to register independently for each award they wish to apply to. The registration process creates a unique link for the specific grant selected.
Eligibility	I am in the process of filling out the form to access the link for a grant. However, we can accommodate more than one of the grants , and want to apply for another. Will the link allow me to apply for others or is it specific to the grant I checked?	Applicants are permitted to apply for multiple Community Grants. In these cases applicants will need to register independently for each award they wish to apply to. The registration process creates a unique link for the specific grant selected.

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Eligibility	<p>Our main office is located in District 2 (Borderline of District 1 and 2). However, 70% of our clients reside in District 1, and the rest comes from the sunset district. We would like to know whether our organization is still qualified to apply the funding for District 1.</p>	<p>All services must take place in the District specified in the grant description.</p>
Funding Terms	<p>What are the grant periods for the following community grants?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District 7 Enrichment Leadership and Skill Building Arts and Creative Expression High School youth in grades 9-12 Youth arts education programming and job training in District 7 \$100,000 • District 11 Enrichment Leadership and Skill Building Arts and Creative Expression High School youth in grades 9-12 After school support for Balboa High School \$100,000 • District 11 Enrichment Leadership and Skill Building Arts and Creative Expression High School youth in grades 9-12 Internship for 30 youth and after school 60 youth \$50,000 	<p>All grant terms begin on July 1, 2018. Terms for one-year awards (18-19 only) will end on June 30, 2019; two-year awards (18-19 and 19-20) will end on June 30, 2020.</p>
Funding Terms	<p>How many grants are you distributing in each category?</p>	<p>The Department will make one award for each grant.</p>
Funding Terms	<p>How much of the \$100,000 allocated funding can a grantee expect to receive? How many organizations will be funded in this category?</p>	<p>The Department will make one award for each grant in the full amount listed in the grant description.</p>
Funding Terms	<p>How much of the \$600,000 allocated funding can a grantee expect to receive? How many organizations will be funded in this category?</p>	<p>The Department will make one award for each grant in the full amount listed in the grant description.</p>

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Program Components	a) Can the program plan include TA and training to school personnel b) Whether the work can be in-school, after-school, summer c) Are there restrictions on the shape of the program. d) How soon would you expect the work to start, given that the school year has already begun e) Can the proposal be for just two middle schools or does it have to be for all schools in district 8?	In general, there are no restrictions as to the content, structure or scale of an applicant's program other than to align with the Strategy under which the grant is classified. TA and training to school personnel is allowed, and the program can take place in any setting. All grant terms begin on July 1, 2018. The program can take place at any number of sites within the District; it is not required to be in all middle schools.
Program Components	Do you have any more information about the Youth Wellness Academy that you could share with me? Is this grant opportunity open to CBOs the are new to DCYF? Any other information that you think may be relevant to my organization would be very appreciated.	No further information is available on this grant. Applicants need not be current grantees of the Department.
Program Components	If an agency is Medi-Cal certified and is currently providing mental health services through EPSDT, would this be considered a leveraging opportunity for this funding? What is the funding start date?	An agency's Medi-Cal status is not a factor in this RFP, and will not be used in consideration of an award. All grant terms begin on July 1, 2018.
Strategy	Our agency has been included as the District 1 addback described as "Youth wellness academy" in the service area of Enrichment Leadership and Skill Building. However, the strategy, "STEM," does not match with our program's most recent submission to DCYF. Are we bound to the "STEM" strategy or can we apply under "Identity Formation," as this was the DCYF category to which we most recently applied? We believe "Identity Formation" is an appropriate category for us because we provide significant, multi-year support to high school youth developing and pursuing the common identity of becoming first generation college students	Applicants must apply under the Service Area and Strategy listed in the RFP. Alignment to Strategy is a leading factor in the assessment of RFP submissions, and grantees will be expected to adhere to all Strategy expectations.