

2017 WA Dedicated Marijuana Account (DMA) Community-based Organization (CBO) Grant RFA RFA #18/19-004

Questions and Answers

June 23, 2017

Q: Is the due date July 21st? I saw the 14th listed on page 8.

A: The due date for RFA #18/19-004 is July 21st, 2017. There was a typo for RFA #18/19-008 on page 8 under the Submission of Application section that had mistakenly stated the due date was July 14th, instead of July 21st. That mistake was corrected earlier this week.

Q: Can you clarify how to earn 2 bonus points under point (i) on page 11?

A: The 2 bonus points under point (i) on page 11 are for applications that show collaboration with community coalitions for high-needs communities. This would be demonstrated by answering question 6a and 6c of the Project Narrative in Appendix B. Question 6d would qualify you for the up to 4 priority bonus points for submitting one or more coalition letters of support with your application.

Q: Is the funding level (i.e. \$100,000) per year, or per biennium?

A: The RFA states “DSHS/DBHR intends to award ten (10) to fifteen (15) contracts to local CBOs, governments, or public agencies to serve high-need communities in Washington State, and will grant up to \$20,000 per proposal that will serve a single community and/or up to \$100,000 for proposal(s) that serve multiple communities on an annual basis.” Funding from the legislature for these programs are appropriated by fiscal year.

Q: Does the list of Priority High Needs Communities represent the only communities (or entities that serve those communities) eligible for grant funding?

A: No, all CBOs may apply. Priority scoring will be given to CBOs serving the Priority High-needs communities. See page 5 for details.

June 29, 2017

Q: Do the eligible high need communities take precedence over established CPWI sites?

A: Priority high-needs communities listed on page 6 are eligible for priority bonus points. CPWI communities are not included on the priority high-needs communities list. All CBO applicants are eligible to receive priority bonus points for collaborating with CPWI communities, and for providing a letter of support (see Scoring Criteria section on pages 9-11 for more detail).

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July 7, 2017

Q: If we are doing a mentoring project something was mentioned about going on Mentoring Works and do some type of self-assessment. Could you please tell me where it is and also do we need to complete it before applying?

A: All community-based mentoring programs applicants must complete a Mentoring Works Washington (MWW) program survey prior to application submission. The survey can be found at this link:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/X8TSJHR>.

July 14, 2017

Q: On the budget form for the multisite, you have multiple times for communities to be listed. Are we required to separate the cost per community if the strategy is the same for each community? The main difference is travel.

A: You can list multiple communities under one program in the “community name” cell, and sum the costs for each budget row under that program.

Q: Can funding be used to send the staff assigned to the project to a training/conference related to substance use prevention for ongoing professional growth and if yes where is this inserted under the Programs/strategies?

A: Yes, but it would depend on the training. If it were directly related to programs outline on the action plan then that would be allowed. If it were other trainings not directly related to proposed programs then it would be on a case-by-case basis dependent on funding.

Q: In question #1 of the Project Narrative, does “**your program**” refer to your organization/department and the strategies refer to your selected strategies for this grant? Or does the “**your program**” refer to the specific program strategies you select for this grant and how they specifically address prevention of substance use?

A: The leading instructional paragraph for the project narrative asks applicants to “provide complete information to the following questions to describe the proposed program(s) selected.” In question #1, “your program” refers to the specific program you selected. Please provide an overview of how the proposed program addresses substance abuse, and provide an overview of the proposed strategies to implement the program in the community you intend to serve.