

OEWD Request for Proposals (RFP) #230

Economic Development Grants

QUESTION AND ANSWER LOG

Date/Time of Submission	Method of Submission	Name	Organization	Question	Response	Response Date
9/5/2024	Email to Procurement	Tracey Sylvester	Unknown	Hi, can you please explain more to us about this grant. I do not understand. Would this be something a Merchant association applies for?	The RFP invites proposals from nonprofits, Community Benefit Districts, and Business Improvement Districts to provide community ambassador services and coordination services with neighborhood stakeholders (which may include merchant associations) to improve safety conditions in the identified neighborhoods.	9/10/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	Is Shared Dispatch a requirement?	Shared dispatch is not a requirement, but a preference. Proposals with shared dispatch would be considered strong. Will be expect two entities to coordinate around any necessary shared services.	9/11/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	Is ambassador funding the only option? What about security or 10b officers?	Existing safety ambassadors or a new community ambassador program are eligible for funding. Security or 10B officers are not eligible for direct funding.	9/11/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	Can the funds be used to expand/in place of current ambassador program?	Yes, should you be able to demonstrate funding is being used to expand safety presence in the target area.	9/11/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	I'm assuming that our contractors would have to register for First Source since we will not be hiring any employees?	Grantee/ Subcontractors do need to comply with First Source. Compliance consists of submitting workforce projection forms as entry level positions come open and available, and making a good faith effort to hire local residents. Please contact the Employer Services Division at OEWD for more information, at employer.services@sfgov.org	9/11/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	Are there are any issues with us providing services outside our District under state law? Since the service area includes areas outside our district.	As this funding is considered non-assessment revenue, services can be provided beyondCommunity Benefit District/Business Improvement District boundaries.	9/11/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	I assume then as well that a reasonable portion of grant can cover program management AND administration since reporting, keeping stats, overseeing program etc all need to be covered by non-assessments.	That is correct, applications should demonstrate a plan to expand safety presence in the applicable area (which may include leveraged funds).	9/11/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	Is the service area negotiable?	Applications should pertain to each of the specific boundaries noted in the RFP. OEWD reserves the right to shift those boundaries but, again, applications should include those boundaries directly	9/11/2024
9/11/2024	Technical Assistance Conference	Ben Horne	Union Square Alliance	In the grant is it a requirement that ambassadors have Narcan and are trained to administer?	Narcan administration is not a requirement. The RFP states that "monthly reports may include"... Narcan administration.	9/11/2024