

2021 Summer Strong Small Nonprofit DC Grant Competition

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Scope

Q1. What is the stance on virtual programming?

A. The application should describe programing that may include in-person, hybrid, and virtual options. Decisions on virtual programming will occur in conjunction with Mayoral mandates and DC Health recommendations and cannot be made at this time.

Operation & Finance

Q1. What is the reimbursement/payment timeline for the grant? Is it paid in increments such as monthly?

- A. This grant disbursement is as follows:
 - i. 50% disbursement after fully executed grant agreements and compliance with all grant requirements are completed.
 - ii. Grantees spend the first disbursement and provides documentation for all expenses.
 - iii. The next 45% of the grant will be reimbursed. Grantees can invoice Reimbursement invoicing can occur at least monthly.
 - iv. The final 5% of the grant must be invoiced by September 15, 2021 but will not be paid until all grant compliance, including the final report, is verified.

Q2. The RFA requests "Two (2) years of the most recently completed Income Statement and Balance Sheet". Does that mean 2018 and 2019 or does that mean 2019 and YTD 2020 or does that mean the last 24 months??

A. The last two completed years of Income Statements and Balance Sheets are required. The years are based on the organization's fiscal years.

Reviewers

Q1. How can individual's sign-up to be grant reviewers?

A. Contact Learn24@dc.gov or complete the interest form here by December 1, 2020.

Q2. Are applicants eligible to be grant reviewers?

A. Yes. Applicants can serve as grant reviewers but will not be allowed to review applications in the same competition for which they applied.

Q3. What is the anticipated time commitment for grant reviewers?

A. Depending on the number of grants distributed and the individual's personal style, the OST Office anticipates that reviews will not exceed ten hours. Reviewers will have one month to complete the reviews.

Q4. Is there any financial compensation to serve as a grant reviewer?

A. No. This opportunity is a strictly voluntary.

Other Questions

Q1. What are the insurance requirements?

A. The insurance requirements are listed in the Request for Applications (RFA) in Section D.1.4 "Operations".

Q2. How old do you have to be to apply for this grant opportunity?

A. All applicants must be nonprofit organizations with IRS 501(c)3 status for a minimum of one year to be eligible for the 2021 Summer Strong DC Small Nonprofit Grant. Individuals are not eligible to apply.

Q3. What are the key differences between the current summer competitions available?

- A. Some of the key differences are:
 - Summer Strong DC is open to all nonprofit organizations which can apply for up to \$110,000 to serve a minimum of 60 youth;
 - Summer Strong DC Small Nonprofit is open to nonprofit organizations with operating budgets of \$250,000 or less which can apply for up to \$25,000 to serve a minimum of 15 youth; and
 - Summer Strong Coordinating Entity is open to all nonprofit organizations which can apply for up to \$100,000 to serve a minimum of 30 youth to provide full day summer camp for youth living in DC Housing Authority locations or at Department of Human Services (DHS) short-term family housing sites with the assistance of local vendors. Local vendors will receive a minimum of 40% of the total grant funds.

Q4. Is the recording and the PowerPoint of the Grant Information Session and Logic Model Training available? Are there additional sessions and workshops forthcoming?

A. Yes. They can be found on the Learn24 website, under Service Providers, Funding Opportunities, here. There will be no additional workshops or information sessions for these grants. Questions can be asked at any time.

Q5. Is Seamless Docs reachable through the RFA?

A. Yes. It is linked in the RFAs and on the Learn24 website and is the platform that will be used to collect the applications and supporting documents for the summer grants, found here.