

Questions & Answers

from

2022-23 Community Development Grant Application (CDGA) Technical Assistance

Housing Programs Session

Event date: Wednesday, April 21st, 2021

Technical Assistance- Community (TACOM)

Technical Assistance- Citywide (TACIT)

Q: Can TACIT and TACOM stack?

A: Delegate Agencies do not currently receive both TACIT and TACOM funds. However, there are some agencies do have more than one TACOM or TACIT contract.

Q: If you are in a historically low-income and minority community that is now gentrifying, and you are still serving people who are low-income, do you have suggestions on how to present the application in a way that demonstrates benefit for people at risk of displacement?

A: An agency's knowledge of the their gentrifying community and understanding the needs for those who are low-moderate income within it will allow the agency to put together an application for the community and who is being assisted. An agency can present an application demonstrating benefit for people at risk of displacement in light of the gentrification.

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Q: Under supportive service for TACIT, for legal services, is that through referrals or working with pro bono lawyers or is the organization expected to have legal services?

A: It is not a requirement for a TACIT organization to provide legal services, but there are agencies that are staffed with lawyers that provide legal services.

Q: Our Delegate Agency has an opportunity to apply to address multiple issues all under the single umbrella of environmental health. Is this a reasonable approach? Is it better to apply for just a single issue or is bundling to have a more efficient delivery of training and technical assistance?

A: The requirement for TACIT is one topic/area of expertise/service proposed per application. This allows for complete packaging for that singular offering: budget, Work Program, funding, contracting, vouchering, etc. Agencies are more than welcome to submit multiple applications for TACIT, as has been done in the past and successfully by some.

Housing Counseling Centers (HCC)

Foreclosure Prevention Program (FPP)

Q: Would Access Living be able to apply for an HCC grant knowing they limit their services to people with disabilities?

A: All HUD-Approved Housing Counseling Agencies are welcome to apply.

Q: Would rental counseling and financial literacy that is not related to housing count?

A: Rental counseling is a different component of HUD's Housing counseling program and Financial counseling and education is allowed as it relates to housing counseling. To further clarify, Rental Counseling and Education are not eligible activities under HCC or FPP. Additionally, Financial Counseling and Education is eligible as it relates to the housing counseling program. For example, counseling and education covering budgeting, repairing credit, establishing savings, rebuilding credit, etc., are eligible financial counseling and education activities.

Q: The available options an agency can apply for is no longer a mixed option but rather option 1, 2, 3, 4 or all. Is this correct?

A: Yes, the program options has been updated and pairs like options together. Agencies can apply for one or more of the following options:

- Pre-Purchase Counseling & Education
- Foreclosure Counseling & Education
- Financial Counseling & Education
- Post-Purchase Counseling & Education

Q: For the deliverable requirement, customers achieving homeownership, how are you measuring that?

A: The Purchased Housing Metric is measured based on the new homebuyers reported measured against clients served within a program year.

Q: What is the DOH maximum funding range for applications for each funding opportunity, HCC and FPP?

A: DOH currently does not have funding amounts for 2022-2023. Based on prior year funding statistics, the funding range for 13 Delegate Agencies was \$35,000 - \$142,970. FPP funding is subject to funding availability through IHDA. For 2020, we have 7 FPP Delegate Agencies with a funding range of \$50,000 - \$180,000.

Q: Will we send out the RFP?

A: The RFP Link is as follows:

https://www.chicago.gov/content/dam/city/depts/dps/isupplier/2022-2023CDGABook_FINAL.pdf

Q: When will the individual RFP's go live?

A: On May 3, 2021 through eProcurement.

Q: Where is the RFP for the HCC?

A: Pages 32-37 of the CDGA Booklet.

Small Accessible Repairs for Seniors (SARFS)

Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)

Q: Are current CHDO Delegate Agency's status still current as a CHDO? Does it need to be renewed?

A: Current CHDO's are all certified through October 2021 and are then eligible for the 2022-2023 applications.

Q: Is this category professional development or what would be examples of administrative skill building?

A: Skill building is professional development

Neighborhood Lending Program (NLP)

Q: For NLP, will it continue to offer Home Improvement?

A: Yes, Home Improvement will continue to be a component of NLP.