FY20 Great Streets Small Business Resiliency Administration Grant Questions & Answers (Q&A)

Q: I am interested in applying.

A: Thank you for contacting us. Yes, the application is open for Resiliency Administration Grant on August 14, 2020 until 12:00pm on August 20, 2020. The application can be found at

https://www.GrantRequest.com/SID_5501?SA=SNA&FID=35087.

Q: I do not know if I qualify for the Resiliency Administration Grant.

A: DMPED seeks one partner to provide administration for FY20 Great Streets Small Business Resiliency Grant (Resiliency Fund) which includes application development and review, provision of subgrants to eligible small businesses, funds disbursement, and grant management.

The grant applications must come from a qualified United States Department of Treasury certified Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and/or nonprofit Community Based Organizations (CBOs). All available resources for the program can be found at https://dmped.dc.gov/node/1492136.

Q: I'm reaching out with a question regarding the FY20 Great Streets Small Business Resiliency Administration Grant. I see that up to \$2,200,000 will be awarded to the grantee, but can you clarify if the entire amount must be spent on small business sub-grants or if there is a percentage or portion that can be used for costs associated with administering the grant i.e. overhead and staff time? Do you have any guidance on what is allowable under the grant terms or do you anticipate that applicants will include the amount they need in their Fund Management and Capacity narrative?

A: For the FY20 Great Streets Resiliency Fund Grant, DMPED's priority is the support of eligible small businesses to access grant funds for business model restructuring, business continuity plan and infrastructure development (e.g., e-commerce platform procurement), related COVID-19 marketing expenses, purchase of personal protective equipment (PPE), and/or disinfection products for the business. The organization that is awarded the FY20 Great Streets Resiliency

Fund Grant will be able to have a reasonable portion allocated for costs associated with administering the grant. Per the RFA, applicants can provide such information as part of the response for the Fund Management and Capacity section.

Q: Who is my Grants Associates?

A: Grants Associates are assigned to and provide compliance and performance management for current grant program awardees. They do not provide technical assistance for prospective applicants or application support.

Q: Will there be more rounds of RFA's

A: Based on the Mayor's budget priorities, the resources available, the goal of achieving a balance as to communities served, and the goals of the program, DMPED will make a determination regarding any new funding round after October 1, 2020.

Q: Where can I find the information session link?

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