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Expanding and Enhancing Existing Street Intervention Programming

## RESPONSE TO APPLICANT QUESTIONS

Questions and Answers that have been posted since the previous update are in red.

## UPDATED January 10, 2020

1. Question: Are nonprofits in Chicago eligible to apply for this grant?

Answer: Services must be provided outside of the City of Chicago. Page 9 of the Notice of Funding Opportunity states: "The applicant must provide services within the State of Illinois, but outside of the City of Chicago. Award funds cannot be used to support programs providing services in the City of Chicago. Applicants that propose to fund services within Chicago will not be accepted."

2. Question: We have a street prevention program currently operating in South Cook. It is a grant awarded by the Cook County Justice Advisory Council (JAC) in the areas of Violence Prevention, Recidivism Reduction, and Restorative Justice, but It is not a program awarded by ICJIA. Does it qualify as an existing, active street intervention program for Expanding or Enhancing Existing Street Intervention Programming(NOFO-2179-1291)?

Answer: The current street intervention program must either be currently aligned with the description of street intervention as described on pages 6-7 of the NOFO, or will be aligned with the description by 6/30/2020. The program does not have to currently be funded by ICJIA.

3. Question: I was wondering if you have funding for cosmetology schools.

Answer: This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is only for not-for profit or governmental entities that are currently operating a street intervention program that is either currently aligned with the description on pages 6-7 of the NOFO, or will be aligned with the description by 6/30/2020.

4. Question: Is this program only for school-aged participants?

Answer: No. Street Intervention activities typically cover youth and young adults, up to age 24.



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5. Question: We have a program where we do some of the activities that you describe, but not all of them. The program isn't funded by ICJIA. Are we still eligible to apply?

Answer: The program does not have to currently be funded by ICJIA to be eligible to apply. The current street intervention program must either be currently aligned with the description of street intervention as described on pages 6-7 of the NOFO, or will be aligned with the description by 6/30/2020.

6. Question: Can grant funds be allocated to purchase snacks for youth participants when attending outreach intervention events?

Answer: The NOFO states: "Costs for activities intended to encourage attendance at program-specific community engagement events may be allowable under this NOFO. Examples of such costs may include, but are not limited to, food or drink..." See additional information on Page 14 of the NOFO regarding allowability and cost limits.

7. Question: I am inquiring on the ICJIA Grant to see if there is a state award option – we are looking at potentially applying Statewide (minus Chicago) and would like to know if we would be eligible to apply for more than the cap of \$75,000.

Answer: You can submit one application that covers services throughout suburban Cook/collar (DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will). You can submit a separate application that covers services for all other counties. However, the maximum amount you can request for each application is \$75,000.

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