DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) District of Columbia State Nursery Fiscal Year 2021 Grant Request for Application Release Date: October 26, 2020 Application Submission Deadline: November 16, 2020

The Urban Forestry Division (UFD) within the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT) is soliciting detailed proposals from organizations to establish and manage the District of Columbia State Nursery.

The purpose of the program will be to provide locally grown nursery stock for installation on public space and District-owned lands within the District of Columbia. Applicant will own and maintain a facility capable of producing up to two thousand trees for installation on DC public lands; will deliver the nursery stock from its facility to the facilities of DDOT's planting partners or, alternatively, liaise with DDOT Urban Foresters to plant the trees directly on public lands; will confer with DDOT personnel to ensure that an adequate diversity of nursery stock is prepared for translocation; and will follow the best practices within the arboricultural and horticultural industries for growing nursery stock. The District of Columbia State Nursery is a way to prepare the District of Columbia's tree inventory for the impacts of climate change, ensure that new street trees are adapted to the regional climate, and nurture species of trees that will thrive in the District of Columbia's urban environment now and in the future.

Local non-profit organizations are eligible to apply for Fiscal Year 2021 District of Columbia State Nursery grant funds. Individual proposals should not exceed \$200,000.

Please refer to the full Request for Applications (RFA) for this funding opportunity for a detailed timeline of requirements. The RFA will be available on **October 26, 2020** and will be available at the District Grants Clearinghouse on the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs website: <u>https://communityaffairs.dc.gov/content/community-grant-program - 4</u>. The deadline for application submissions is November 16, 2020.

For additional information or to receive the full RFA by email, please contact:

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