OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

High-Impact Tutoring (HIT) Scaling Grant

Request for Applications Release Date: Friday, September 16, 2022, 12 p.m. EST

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) will issue a Request for Applications (RFA) for a High-Impact Tutoring (HIT) Scaling Grant. The RFA will be available online on the Serve DC Grants Clearinghouse and on OSSE's website at the following page: https://osse.dc.gov/page/high-impact-tutoring-hit-initiative. Funds are available to District of Columbia (DC) nonprofit and for-profit organizations and businesses. The purpose of the funds is to support existing successful evidence-based tutoring programs to provide more students with HIT than they are currently serving.

Eligibility and Selection Criteria: Eligible applicants are nonprofit organizations and for-profit entities that have a demonstrated history of success providing tutoring programming. Applicants must use funds to scale an existing successful evidence-based tutoring program.

Organizations that already received a HIT grant award from OSSE in an earlier grant cohort are not eligible for funding for the same HIT programming delivered to the same grade level(s) as their previous award. Previous HIT grant recipients can, however, apply for this HIT scaling grant for a different program and/or grade level(s) than are being served through the previous OSSE HIT grant award.

Applications will be scored using various selection criteria, including the organization's history of success and mission, program size and locations, program model and tutors, program content and materials, target student population, program measures and data use, the project plan and management approach, the applicant's financial management, as well as the budget for the grant program. Please see the RFA for additional information on scoring criteria.

Length of Award: OSSE anticipates that the maximum duration of this grant will be for 21 months from the date of award.

Available Funding for the Award: A total of approximately \$7,500,000.00 is available for awards over two fiscal years (FY23, FY24) in this application cohort. Please see table below for details on available funding. Determinations regarding the number of competitive grant awards will be based on the quality and number of applications received and available funding. Successful applicants may be awarded amounts less than requested. Grant funds shall only be used to support activities authorized by the relevant statutes and included in the applicant's submission. The maximum award amount below is approximate, and OSSE reserves the right to award more.

| Award | Funding Available | Grant Period | Expected Number of Awards |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------|
| High-Impact Tutoring Scaling Grant | | Maximum of 21 months (date of award – 9/30/24) | 5-7 |

Application Process: A review panel or panels will be convened to review, score, and rank each application for a competitive grant. The review panel(s) will be composed of external, neutral, qualified, professional individuals selected for their expertise, knowledge, or related experiences. Each application will be scored against a rubric and applications will have multiple reviewers to ensure accurate scoring. Upon completion of its review, the panel(s) shall make recommendations for awards based on the scoring rubric(s). OSSE will make all final award decisions. Please see the RFA for additional details on the application process and review panels.

Applications must be submitted prior to 3 p.m. on Monday, October 31, 2022. OSSE estimates that it will award the grant by late December of 2022; however, the timing may change.

Suggested pre-application webinars will be held following the release of the RFA. All organizations planning to apply for this grant are strongly encouraged to attend one of two pre-application webinars that will be held following the release of the RFA and to attend an optional School Connection webinar. Please see the RFA for information on the dates, times, and how to register for these webinars. All organizations planning to apply for this grant must submit a completed Intent to Apply Notification form (that can be found in Appendix A of the RFA), via email to HIT.Grants@dc.gov on or before Monday, October 17, 2022 to be eligible for this grant award.

To receive more information on this grant, please contact:

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Organizations interested in applying for the HIT Scaling Grant must apply through OSSE's online Enterprise Grants Management System (EGMS) that is accessible at the following link: https://grants.osse.dc.gov/.