



THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
OFFICE ON **LATINO AFFAIRS**



MAYOR'S OFFICE ON LATINO AFFAIRS

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

FY 2024 MULTICULTURAL SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser and The Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs (MOLA) are soliciting grant applications for its FY 2024 Multicultural Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) from qualified Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) serving the District of Columbia's Latino Youth community.

The grant is intended to provide District of Columbia youth ages 14-24 with meaningful and structured summer experience and career readiness opportunities and services with a variety of community-based partner organizations for the duration of the SYEP.

MOLA's mission is to improve the quality of life of the District's Latino residents by addressing a broad range of social and economic needs through strategic management of public and private partnerships, expertise on policy, community relations, civic engagement, and community-based grants and to ensure Latinos have access to vital programs and services offered by DC in the areas of human services, health, education, housing, economic development, and employment opportunities. MOLA has served the Latino community of the District of Columbia Since 1976.

B. FUNDING PRIORITIES

To qualify for the FY 2024 SYEP grant, applicants must provide services in at least one of the six (6) funding priorities listed below:

1. Downtown Comeback

We have the opportunity to **reimagine a Downtown** where residents, workers, and visitors can live, work, and play in vibrant centers of activity for all. Looking to **DC's Future**, the District of Columbia will continue to position itself as a global and forward-thinking leader in the way we choose to serve our residents.

2. Public Safety

Public safety serves as a foundation for living a healthy and happy life. We want to create significant, lasting change and not just to reverse these rising trends, but to reduce any type of violence, **including gun violence**, and ultimately end it.

3. Recreation & All Students on Pathways to Success

Recreational activities such as sports, arts, civic engagement, and youth engagement, will impact the health and well-being of our residents.

Schools are the heartbeat of our communities, and every community deserves a great school. Every child should have the opportunity to reach their full potential and to pursue their dreams. This starts with the basics, such as reading and math.

4. Work Force Development

Empowering the District of Columbia to remain a city for people of all ages and at all stages of life, means **fighting to protect the middle class**. When Washingtonians have access to job opportunities and can afford to build a good life for themselves and their loved ones in the District, our residents and communities are stronger.

5. Highlight East of the River

Programs that support our residents in the East of the River through investments in education, housing, economic development, public safety, art, and recreation to increase the quality of life.

6. More Democracy

As the Nation's capital for democracy, District residents should be empowered to utilize their voices and rights to be heard.

C. TARGET POPULATION

The target population for the use of these funds is youth Latino residents ages 14 - 24 in the District of Columbia.

D. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants shall meet the following minimum requirements to be considered for the FY24 SYEP Grant:

1. The organization is a community-based organization with a Federal 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status and is licensed as a business with the District of Columbia's Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection (DLCP).

2. The organization’s principal place of business must be located in the District of Columbia; if the business is a national or regional organization, it must have a location in the District through which it provides services.
3. The organization must provide direct services to District Latino residents or collaborate with an organization that provides services to District Latino residents.
4. All services and programming funded by the grant must be provided within the District of Columbia; and
5. The organization must be currently registered and in good standing with DLCP and the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR). Applicants must maintain their good standing status with the aforementioned entities throughout the pre-award process and the grant’s performance period.
6. Applicants shall provide an affidavit regarding any debarments, suspensions, or default with the Office of Contract and Procurement (OCP).
7. *(This requirement applies only to current MOLA grantees)* Current grantees must be:
 - a. current on MOLA reporting obligations for the FY23 grant cycle.
 - b. in good standing with the District’s legal requirements, including those imposed by any grants or contracts; and
 - c. progress reports must reflect substantial progress towards the goals of the grant agreement.

E. IMPORTANT DATES

Release Date of RFA: Friday, May 3, 2024

Availability of RFA: The RFA will be posted on the Mayor’s Office of Community Affairs [website](#) and the Mayor’s Office on Volunteerism & Partnerships ([Serve DC’s](#)) and electronic grant clearinghouse which can be accessed here: <https://communityaffairs.dc.gov/content/community-grant-program>

Amount of Awards: Eligible organizations can be awarded up to \$15,000 for operational costs plus funding for the youth participant stipend.

Application Deadline: Applications must be submitted via ZoomGrants by Friday, May 31, 2024, at 5:00 PM EST

Length of Awards: Grant awards are for FY 2025
June 17, 2024 – August 23, 2024

Pre-Bidder's Conference: Saturday, May 11, 2024
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

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