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Family Services Administration (FSA)

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Fiscal Year 2023
Truancy Prevention and Support Services for Youth
(RFA): #JA-FSA-TPSSY-001-22

Announcement Date: July 06, 2022
RFP Release Date: July 07, 2022
Pre-application Conference Date: July 13, 2022
Application Submission Deadline: July 29, 2022 at 5:00PM

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LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE FORWARDED TO THE REVIEW PANEL
GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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Truancy Prevention and Support Services for Youth

The District of Columbia, Department of Human Services, Family Services Administration Youth Service Division invites the submission of applications for funding through the Truancy Prevention and Support Services for Youth ages 10 – 18 years. The support services should focus on the following areas, including but not limited to: Cultural Enrichment and Life Coaching (tutoring, music, modeling, fashion, special events, American history, creative entrepreneurship, art and creative expression) Community Services (specialized pro-social and enrichment one-time or time-limited events, community volunteer services, internships) Entrepreneurial/Business Skills (internships, apprenticeships, finance, career development, SAT Prep, college and vocational readiness, financial literacy, workforce-development, computer literacy, STEM) Physical and Mental Wellness and Nutrition (trauma, grief and loss, substance-use reduction, violence prevention/reduction, nutrition training and education, physical health/fitness, health/sex education, mindfulness). All programs must cater to the subpopulations of Hispanic/Latinx, by having multilingual services and staff that cater to bilingual youths as well as young people who identify as LGBTQ or have special needs. The total amount available for the solicitation is up to $100,000, multiple grants.

Purpose/Description of the Project: The Youth Services Division (YSD) was created in 2010 to increase accessibility to community support systems and opportunities for positive development for young people in the District. Through this RFA YSD is seeking a variety of support services for youth in the District of Columbia that embrace and educate young people so that they are empowered to persevere through life challenges to avoid system involvement, obtain self-sufficiency, and become successful adults. In recognizing this need, DHS is seeking Grantee(s) to offer services, for up to 3-12 months as part of an overall strategy for meeting the needs for positive physical, social and emotional development. Support services may be rendered by community-based organizations, individual and/or groups that may fall into one of the following categories, but are not limited to: cultural enrichment, community services, entrepreneurial/business and nutrition and wellness. All services should be rooted in evidence-informed frameworks and practices. The services must be appropriate to the age, gender, sexual orientation, cultural heritage, and developmental and functional level of the youth participating in the program. All prospective Grantees should be able to demonstrate how the proposed services impact the target audience through data and past experience.

Eligibility: Local social services organizations, not-for-profit corporations, and charitable organizations, including faith-based organizations serving the target population are eligible to respond to this RFA. Organizations incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation or religious
corporation or public agency under the laws of the District, or a corporation formed under laws of another state and authorized under District law to conduct corporate activities in the District, or provide care and services in the District and have been granted federal tax exempt status are eligible as well.

Eligible organizations may sub-grant the funding it receives under this grant to sub-grantees (Grantees), as approved by DHS to meet the requirements in this RFA. Applicants must include details on how it will manage services, financial, and legal responsibilities between itself as the Grantee and its sub-grantees. The application must clearly describe the roles and responsibilities for each party in the proposal.

On the same basis as any other applicants, religious organizations are eligible to participate as long as the services funded by the Truancy Prevention and Support Services for Youth grant are provided consistent with the Establishment Clause and the Free Exercise Clause or the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, in accordance with United States Executive Order 13279 of December 12, 2002.

**Length of Grant Award and Available Funding:** The Grantee(s) will be awarded funding based on their capacity to meet the requirements of the program. The award period for the grant will be from October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023. The amount available for up to multiple Grantees for the project is up to approximately $100,000.00 for one base year and four option years, subject to funding availability.

**RFA Release:** The RFA will be released on July 29, 2022. A copy of the RFA may be obtained by the following means:

- [Download](http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse) from the Office of Partnerships and Grant Services website under the District Grants Clearinghouse.

**Email** a request to Kemmy Antoine with “Request copy of RFA #JA-FSA-TPSSY-001-22” in the subject line.

**Deadline for Applications:** The deadline for application submissions is July 29, 2022 at 5:00 PM EST. The applications shall be submitted via email to Kemmy Antoine at kemmy.antoine@dc.gov. Late or incomplete applications will not be forwarded to the review panel.

For additional information, contact Kemmy Antoine at kemmy.antoine@dc.gov.