

District of Columbia Department of Human Services Family Services Administration (FSA)

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Fiscal Year 2021 Youth and Family Support Services (Short name: YFSS) (RFA): JA-FSA- YFSS-001-21

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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FAMILY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (FSA)

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The District of Columbia (District) Department of Human Services (DHS) Family Services Administration (FSA), hereinafter referred to as the "DHS/FSA" or "Grantor," invites the submission of eligible applications for securing a variety of support services for youth and families starting with Fiscal Year 2021, that will be continued in Fiscal Year 2022. DHS anticipates awarding several grants varying between \$50,000 - \$300,000 per year.

Purpose/Description of the Project: The Grantor is accepting applications for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 to offer a variety of support services for youth and families involved in FSA's Youth Services Division (YSD) programs. These support services are short-term and are expected to last 4-6 months, helping youth and families reach a specific goal/objective or accomplish a given task. The support services should focus on the following areas, including but not limited to: life-skills coaching, tutoring, restorative justice, workforce development (entrepreneurship, computer literacy, coding, etc.), college and vocational readiness, financial literacy, parent/guardian support for both teens and adults, family support services, family team meetings (FTMs) or an equivalent support, specialized clinical groups, out-of-school programming (athletics, art, music, dance, etc.), short-term therapeutic services such as trauma, grief and loss, substance-use reduction, violence prevention/reduction, specialized services for subpopulations such as Hispanic/Latinx, LGBTQ+, etc., support for youth with special needs, youth activity coordination, and youth support groups.

Applicants must be experienced in working with youth at-risk of becoming involved in the juvenile justice system and/or families at-risk of child welfare involvement, and/or youth experiencing housing instability or homelessness, and/or pregnant and parenting youths. The primary target population is youth ten (10) to eighteen (18) years old, as well as youth up to twenty-four (24) years old and their families participating in YSD programs and services.

Eligibility: Local social services organizations, not-for-profit corporations, and charitable organizations, including faith-based organizations serving the target population of individuals 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

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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.

On the same basis as any other applicants, religious organizations are eligible to participate as long as the services funded by the Youth and Family Support Services 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.

Eligible organizations may sub-contract portions of the funding received under this grant award to sub-grantees, after they receive written approval from DHS as meeting the requirements detailed in the RFA. Applicants must include details on how they 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 responsible party in the proposal.

Length of Grant Award and Available Funding: The period of performance for the Grant Agreement shall be September 2021 through August 2022, unless terminated in writing by the Parties prior to the expiration. At the discretion of DHS, and subject to funding availability, the Grant Agreement might be extended annually up to four (4) additional years for a total of five (5) years.

RFA Release: The RFA will be released on **June 14, 2021.** A copy of the RFA may be obtained by the following means:

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

Email a request to Mariah Green (<u>mariah.green@dc.gov</u>) with "Request copy of RFA # JA-FSA- YFSS-001-21" in the subject line.

Deadline for Applications: The deadline for application submissions is July 14, 2021, at 4:00 PM. A complete electronic copy must be e-mailed to <u>mariah.green@dc.gov</u>. Late or incomplete applications will not be forwarded to the review panel.

For additional information, email: Mariah Green at mariah.green@dc.gov