Ward 7 and 8 Social Determinants of Health Initiatives
Questions and Responses

1. **On page 18 of the RFA, the scoring criteria mentions a staffing plan which shall include "the timeframes for commitment of each staff person to this project and a description of how the project staff will be organized and supervised to meet all RFA requirements." The staffing plan document is not included in the list of application requirements. Where should applicants attach the staffing plan, and does DHCF has a required template for this document?**

   The applicant shall describe the capacity of organization as outlined on page 15 of the RFA. The applicant shall provide the following staffing plans as appendices: a proposed organizational chart (Appendix 1), proposed staff job descriptions (Appendix 2), and proposed staff resumes (Appendix 3).

2. **On page 7 of the RFA, Section III states that qualified applicants must "demonstrate Clean Hands certification, by both DCRA and OTR, at the time of application." The Clean Hands certification is not included within the application requirements. Is it required for applicants to attach the Clean Hands certification with the Certificate of Good Standing?**

   The applicant shall submit a Clean Hands certification in Appendix 6 with the District of Columbia Certificate of Good Standing. While a District of Columbia Clean Hands certification is RFA not required as part of the RFA response, a District of Columbia Clean Hands certification must be provided prior to the award of any grant to selected applicant(s).

3. **Please confirm whether the Clean Hands certification has to be completed before the RFA deadline.**

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4. **Pages 14 and 15 of the RFA provide page limits for the Program Narrative, the Grants, Fiscal, and Financial Management document, and the Applicant Qualifications document. However, the Program Reporting document does not have a stated page limit. Is there a page limit for this section of the application?**

   Application shall be limited to 3 pages for the program reporting document.

5. **Question 3 of the Program Narrative asks applicants to "describe the proposed program's integration with existing or ongoing DHCF initiatives." Is it mandatory for applicants to be integrated with current or ongoing DHCF initiatives? Additionally, is there a comprehensive list of current or ongoing DHCF initiatives?**

There is not a mandatory requirement for applicants to be integrated with current and/or ongoing DHCF initiatives. DHCF would like applicants to discuss how the SDOH initiatives may align or complement the District of Columbia Section 1115 Medicaid Behavioral Health Transformation Demonstration (https://dhcf.dc.gov/1115-waiverinitiative) or Health Homes (https://dhcf.dc.gov/page/health-homes) as part of DHCF's cross-cutting efforts to transform the Medicaid delivery system to address whole-person care, improve health outcomes, and reduce inequities.

6. **Are start-up organizations who are piloting innovative human centered designed concepts to address social determinants of health eligible to apply? The application criteria suggests that the grant is most suitable for more established organizations. However, the discussion soliciting approaches for human centered design suggest that the grant might be amenable to start-up more agile orgs. Please discuss the extent to which this award is available to start up organizations.**

Applicants should demonstrate its qualifications as outlined in the RFA. Applicants should ensure they meet. the eligibility requirements outlined in Section III: Eligibility Information on page 7 of the RFA, then the organization may apply for the award.

7. **Is there a minimum recommended operating revenue that organizations must have in order to apply for the grant?**

There is not a minimum recommended operating revenue for this grant award.