

Domestic Violence RFA Questions: week of May 29th

1. On the Domestic Violence Prevention Grant (RFA LAAA 2023-05), we have a question regarding section B (project background and overview). Our organization fits into all of the objectives. Is there a preference for proposals focused on one of the objectives, or can we present a broader range of activities that would meet more than one or all of the objectives?

State Response: A proposal may address more than one objective, but we recommend that activities identified be matched to specific objectives and clear performance measures and work plans identified for the relevant work.

2. I'm reviewing the open RFA for Domestic Violence Prevention and had a question regarding the funding tiers. Would an applicant be considered for a lesser amount of funding than requested? For example, if my organization applied for an amount within the Medium Funding Opportunity tier, but funding was not available to award us an amount within that tier, is it possible that we could be awarded an amount within the Small Funding Opportunity tier instead?

State Response: Yes, that is possible.

3. Are there word limits for the Performance Measures, Implementation Support, and Relevant Experience sections? I only see word counts listed in the RFP for the Proposal Overview, Problem Description, and Project Description sections.

State Response: No, there is no specific word count for these sections.

4. To “demonstrate at least three years of operations and a record of fiscal accountability,” are complete financial audits preferred or can we submit year-end financial statements? We have both, but our audits are upwards of 25 pages, compared to 5 pages or less for our year-end statements.

State Response: Less paperwork to make the case is preferred, for example if your organization has a management or audit letter from a CPA that would suffice.

5. Once the grant is awarded, what is the department's plan to monitor grantees' progress toward goals and outcomes?

State Response: The process around grant compliance and monitoring is subject to revision; however, the reporting requirements, goals, and deliverables will be covered in any ultimate grant agreement between the grantee and the DOL. The DOL anticipates that compliance with the terms of the grant agreement will be monitored through, at a minimum, communications with representatives from the DOL and regular grantee reporting.