2020 State Attorney’s Fund for a Safer and Healthier Community Guidelines

The State Attorney’s Fund for a Safer and Healthier Community was created in 2013 by the State Attorney’s Office for the 11th Judicial Circuit of Florida. State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle established the fund with contributions that come primarily from defendants charged with driving while under the influence (DUI) who elect to participate in the Back-On-Track Diversion Program.

The Fund’s Purpose
The Fund strives to create a safer and healthier community for the residents of Miami-Dade County by supporting efforts that effectively curtail substance abuse and impaired driving as well as programs that assist survivors of human trafficking who require substance abuse treatment and counseling.

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Eligibility
Eligible applicants are nonprofits serving Miami-Dade County that show a strong track record of providing quality programs that reflect the Fund’s purpose or show strong potential to develop them. Current grantees must be in compliance with the terms of existing awards to be considered. While the Foundation will give preference to strengthening nonprofits in Greater Miami, we also encourage partnerships with those outside Greater Miami to bring quality programs to our community.

Each organization may submit one proposal. If a program is a collaborative effort of two or more nonprofits, partners must select one nonprofit to serve as lead applicant. Colleges and universities may submit up to two requests from different departments, which will be considered competitively against each other and other applications.

Focus Areas
The Fund seeks to create, enhance and expand quality, effective programs that achieve clear results in the areas below. Please note that the focus area descriptions are intended to provide guidance rather than exclude other potential approaches to achieve the Fund’s goals.

1. Substance Abuse Services: Help individuals overcome and recover from substance abuse by providing wraparound services that may include: substance abuse counseling and treatment, mental health services and treatment to understand and address underlying co-occurring mental health issues, and behavior and support strategies that develop an individual’s resilience to achieve a healthier and safer life, free of alcohol and substance abuse.

2. Education to Prevent Impaired Driving: Reduce the prevalence and risk of youth and adult driving while impaired by providing effective educational programs, activities, and/or campaigns that educate youth and adults about the impact of alcohol and other impairing substances on their lives and their ability to drive safe, smart and sober.

3. Enforcement and Deterrence of Impaired Driving: Enhance the knowledge and skills of law enforcement by providing training and support in the most current information, techniques, and best practices for the task of enforcement and deterrence of impaired driving. Applicants must demonstrate specialized knowledge in this area and history of working with law enforcement.
4. **Human Trafficking**: Provide wraparound services such as comprehensive psychosocial assessments to identify needs, refer, or provide individuals with health care, substance abuse treatment, and mental health services for minors and adults who are victims of human trafficking.

**Grant Amounts and Usage**
Grants range from $10,000 to $50,000. Award amounts are based on the scope and scale of the proposed program and its potential impact. Grants can be used only for expenses directly related to implementing the proposed program. Grants may not be used to supplant dollars for existing positions and program activities – that is, reducing existing dollars for positions or activities and covering them with this grant instead. Applicants must demonstrate the ability to sustain programs from other sources after this grant ends so they would not depend on recurring awards.

**Application Process**
Applicants must submit a proposal via the Foundation’s online grants application portal. To access the online portal, please visit the [Grant Programs](#) page on our website and review the registration instructions.

**Narrative Questions** (Character counts include spaces)
1. Summarize the agency's main programs and how many people are served each year. (500 characters)
2. **Statement of Need**: What is the core community need or opportunity to be addressed? (1,000 characters)
3. **Implementation**: Describe your plan to implement the program including details about your goals, approach and timeline. (2,000 characters)
4. **Target Populations**: What are the target population(s), neighborhood(s) and main strategies to engage them? (1,000 characters)
5. **Adaptations**: Due to COVID-19, what adaptations have you implemented or do you anticipate making to your operations and program delivery? (1,000 characters)
6. **Assessment**: What measurable improvement will result for people and communities you reach, so they are better off now and better prepared to succeed in the future? (750 characters)
7. **Partnerships**: Who are your key partners, and how will these partnerships maximize your efficiency and impact? (750 characters)
8. **Qualifications**: Describe your qualifications to implement the program including expertise, staff experience and financial resources. How will you sustain the program once this grant ends? (750 characters)

**Activities + Outcomes Questions** (Character counts include spaces)
9. **Activities**: State up to 3 main activities you will conduct. For each activity, indicate the target frequency (i.e., once/daily/monthly) and reach (i.e., number of participants). (150 characters for each)
10. **Outcomes**: State up to 3 main outcomes you will measure to demonstrate your impact. For each outcome, indicate your target goal (i.e., what percent of participants will achieve a desired result) and how you will measure results. (150 characters for each)

**Required Attachments** (Each must be a single document in PDF format.)
- Completed [Proposal Budget Form](#)
- Applicant’s current annual operating budget
- Applicant’s current Board of Directors list

**Timeline**
- Proposals Due: Friday, August 14, 2020, by 4 p.m.
- Estimated Notification of Grant Awards: Week of September 28, 2020
- Grant Period: October 1, 2020, to September 30, 2021

**Office Hours**
Organizations planning to submit an application are encouraged to register for a 30-minute phone meeting with Foundation staff to learn more about the funding opportunity, introduce new programs, and discuss program development and evaluation. [Click here to schedule via Calendly](#).

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