



NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

**FY2016 New Communities Initiative Comprehensive Youth Development
and Community Wellness Programs**

Grant Identification No.: DMPED - COSM – 016- 708212

Background Information: The District’s Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (ODMPED) invites the submission of applications for the New Communities Initiative Youth Development and Community Wellness Program pursuant to “Economic Development Liaison Office Establishment Act,” effective August 16, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-219; D.C. Official Code § 2-1203.01 et seq.) (as amended) and Mayor’s Order 2008-165, dated December 31, 2008.

Purpose of Grant Program: The New Communities Initiative Human Capital Plan requires grantee organizations to provide Community Health and Wellness and Youth Development programs. **Community Health and Wellness programming** shall include a focus on healthy living, and making smart choices related to health and wellness. The program targets seniors (55 years and older) as well as youth (up to age 24). Examples include: health education programs, health screenings and testing, outreach and activities (i.e.: treatment and prevention; healthy food selection, understanding nutrition labels and food preparation, etc.).

Youth Development and/or senior oriented programming will focus on improving the lives and economic opportunities for youth (up to age 24) and seniors (55 years and older). Examples include: financial literacy programs, youth enrichment programs, pre-retirement planning, youth parenting classes, and higher education mentoring programs (i.e. SAT prep., application and financial aid instruction, college preparation etc.).

The target populations for this initiative are heads of households and their families residing in the designated New Communities areas: Park Morton (Ward 1), Northwest One (Ward 6), Lincoln Heights / Richardson Dwellings (Ward 7) and Barry Farm (Ward 8). The Human Capital Team in the ODMPED will work with grantees to verify that clients are eligible for New Communities funded programs/services. The goal of the grant is to fund programs that will improve the quality of life of New Communities residents.

Length of Award: **Date of grant execution through August 31, 2016.**

Anticipated Number of Awards: DMPED will award individual grants of up to a maximum of \$40,000.00. Total funding availability for this grant program is \$500,000.

Eligibility Criteria:

Not-for-Profit organizations that meet all of the following criteria are eligible to apply:

1. Have a federal 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt status and must be organized under the District of Columbia Non-profit Corporation Act (DC Code, sec.29-501 et seq.). **Eligible applicants must have tax exempt status for two consecutive years prior to application submission.**
2. Have a principal place of business located within the District of Columbia.
3. Demonstrate a commitment to the NCI target area where the project is proposed through a successful track record of offering and operating programs, projects, services, or facilities.
4. Be a registered organization in good standing with the DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, Corporation Division, the Office of Tax and Revenue, the Department of Employment Services and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and all other Federal Government agencies.
5. Cannot be classified as an ineligible applicant listed below.
6. Be a community-based organization(s), defined as: non-profit agency with an active board of directors that is familiar with the community to be served.

NOTE: *For organizations that are former and current NCI grantees, NCI staff will evaluate performance under their previous and/or current grant agreement. This includes timely submission of monthly and final close-out reports, site visit reports, and implementation of the program in accordance with the executed grant agreement. ***If your organization has not completed or submitted a final close-out report for a prior year's grant for which programming has ended the organization will be deemed ineligible to apply.***

****Applicants must be current and in good standing with all other funding received from any other District of Columbia agencies.***

Availability of RFA:

The grant application will be released on August 7, 2015
The RFA will be posted on DMPED's website (www.dmped.dc.gov),
and OPGS District Clearing house at (www.opgs.dc.gov)

Grant Information Sessions:

A Pre-Application Conference will be held on Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at 11:45am – 12:45pm located at 1100 4th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20024. Conference Room 200 on the 2nd floor. Please be sure to have a Government issued I.D. for entry into the building.

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Deadline for Electronic Submission:

Applicants must submit a completed online application to DMPED via the ZoomGrants system by **Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 6:00 PM**

DMPED reserves the right to issue addenda and/or amendments subsequent to the issuance of the NOFA or RFA, or to rescind the NOFA or RFA