

**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

FY2016 H Street NE - Starburst Park Revitalization Grant

Grant Identification No.: **DMPED - GHS – 016- 722908**

Background Information: The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) invites the submission of applications for the H Street Starburst Park Grants.

Funding for this program is authorized **\$500,000**

Purpose of Grant Program: The purpose of the H Street NE Starburst Park Grant is to increase the positive impact on commercial revitalization in the H Street NE Retail Priority Area (Starburst), including activation and programming of the Starburst Park. Operational activities may include cleaning and maintenance of the space, program development, and management. Programming activities may include: a farmers market, flea market, retail pop-ups including holiday shops, public art, and family-oriented events with outdoor movies and live entertainment.

Length of Award: **Date of grant execution through September 30, 2016**

Award Amount: DMPED will award individual grants up to a maximum of \$500,000

Eligibility Criteria:

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements to be considered for the grant:

1. Be a 501 (c)(3), 501(c)(6) non-profit corporation with no less than ten years direct experience with economic development and promotions within the H Street NE Retail Priority Area, and no less than eight years of experience in public space event planning.
2. Be a registered business in Good Standing with the DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA), the DC Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR), the DC Department of Employment Services (DOES), and the Federal Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
3. Provide proof of property and liability insurance compliant with the requirements set forth in the grant application.

4. Demonstrate an active occupancy permit for use of the Starburst Plaza

Prior to the execution of a grant agreement with the District, the grantee must enter into a First Source Agreement with the DC Department of Employment Services (DOES). More information about the First Source Employment Program can be found at <http://does.dc.gov/page/first-source-employment-program->.

Availability of the Request for Applications (RFA):

The grant application will be released on Friday, April 1, 2016. The RFA will be posted on DMPED's website (dmped.dc.gov) and the Great Streets website (greatstreets.dc.gov).

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Deadline for Electronic Submission:

Applicants must submit a completed online application to DMPED via the ZoomGrants system by **Friday, April 22nd, 2016 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 at any time.