

DEPARTMENT OF SMALL AND LOCAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

REVISED THIRD NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

CLEAN TEAM GRANTS

The Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD) is soliciting applications from eligible applicants to manage a **DC Clean Team Program** (“the Program”) in eighteen service areas (listed below). This revised NOFA includes four newly added clean team programs for Alabama Avenue, SE, Mid-City, Upper 14th Street, NW, and Benning Road (Ward 6) fund amounts for each program; new submission deadline; and newly added pre-application meeting. **The submission deadline is Wednesday, July 5, 2017, 10:00 AM.**

Through this grant, DSLBD will fund clean teams, which will achieve the following objectives.

- Improve commercial district appearance to help increase foot traffic, and consequently, opportunity for customer sales.
- Provide jobs for DC residents.
- Reduce litter, graffiti, and posters, which contribute to the perception of an unsafe commercial area.
- Maintain a healthy tree canopy, including landscaping, along the corridor.
- Support Sustainable DC goals by recycling, mulching street trees, using eco-friendly supplies, and reducing stormwater pollution generated by DC’s commercial districts.

Eligible applicants are DC-based nonprofit organizations which are incorporated in the District of Columbia and which are current on all taxes. Applicants should have a demonstrated capacity with the following areas of expertise.

- Providing clean team services or related services to commercial districts or public spaces.
- Providing job-training services to its employees.
- Providing social support services to its Clean Team employees.

DSLBD will **award** one grant for **each** of the following **service areas** (i.e., a total of fourteen grants). The size of grant is noted for each district.

- 12th Street, NE - \$100,618
- Alabama Avenue, SE - \$100,000
- Bellevue - \$100,000
- Benning Road - \$107,000
- Benning Road (Ward 6) - \$100,000
- Connecticut Avenue, NW - \$101,982
- Georgia Avenue - \$101,982
- Glover Park - \$125,000
- Kennedy Street, NW - \$100,618
- Lower Georgia Avenue - \$100,000
- Mid-City - \$100,000
- Minnesota Avenue, NE - \$101,982
- New York Avenue, NE - \$113,521

- Pennsylvania Avenue, SE - \$107,000
- Upper Georgia Avenue - \$100,000
- Upper 14th Street, NW - \$100,000
- Ward 1 - \$100,618
- Wisconsin Avenue - \$113,521

The **grant performance period** to deliver clean team services is October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018. Grants may be renewed for a second performance period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

The **Request for Application** (RFA) includes a detailed description of clean team services, service area boundaries, and selection criteria. DSLBD will post the RFA on or before **Monday, June 12, 2017, 2017** at www.dslbd.dc.gov. Click on the *Our Programs* tab, then *Neighborhood Revitalization*, and then *Solicitations and Opportunities* on the left navigation column.

DSLBD will hold a **pre-application meeting on Friday, June 16 at 2:00 PM** at 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001, Room 805 South.

Application Process: Interested applicants must complete an online application on or before **Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at 10:00 AM**. DSLBD will not accept applications submitted via hand delivery, mail or courier service. **Late submissions and incomplete applications will not be forwarded to the review panel.**

The online application is live. To open an application, applicants must complete and submit an **Expression of Interest** via the website address included in the Request for Applications. DSLBD will activate their online access within two business days and notify them via email. **Selection Criteria** for applications will include the following criteria.

- Applicant Organization's demonstrated capacity to provide clean team or related services, and managing grant funds.
- Proposed service delivery plan for basic clean team services.
- Proposed service delivery plan for additional clean team services.

Selection Process: DSLBD will select grant recipients through a competitive application process that will assess the Applicant's eligibility, experience, capacity, service delivery plan, and, budget. Applicants may apply for one or more service areas by noting the number of service areas for which the applicant would like to be considered. DSLBD will determine grant award selection and notify all applicants of their status via email on or before Monday, July 31, 2017.

Funding for this award is contingent on continued funding from the DC Council. The RFA does not commit the Agency to make an award.

DSLBD 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.

All applicants must attest to executing a DSLBD grant agreement as issued (sample document will be provided in online application) and to starting services on October 1, 2017.

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