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- To: All Providers
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- Date: September 5, 2023

Subject: NCCDD Releases New RFA for Community Living Mini-Grants

NCCDD RELEASES NEW RFA FOR COMMUNITY LIVING MINI-GRANTS

Community Living RFA





The North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities (NCCDD) seeks applications through a Request for Applications (RFA) for several mini-grants to increase community living options for individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities (I/DD). This initiative will help the NCCDD achieve the following goals outlined in its <u>Five-Year</u> <u>State Plan 2022-2026</u> to increase:

- Community living for individuals with I/DD;
- Access to transportation by identifying and implementing strategies to eliminate barriers through collaboration with transportation agencies, state and local agencies, organizations, and advocacy groups;
- Equitable access to home and community-based healthcare, preventative healthcare, wellness opportunities, and address unmet health-related resource needs through individual, family, and stakeholder education and provider capacity building;
- A Person and family-centered transition education and lifespan planning; and/or
- The knowledge, training, and support for professionals that provide services to people with I/DD.

The funding for this Request for Applications (RFA) will be no less than \$5,000 per project and up to \$25,000 per project for the period beginning no earlier than November 1, 2023, and ending August 31, 2024. There is a minimum of 25% non-federal matching funds requirement, and the actual amount depends on how much funding the applicant requests.

All applications must be received by 5:00 pm (ET) on September 29, 2023. Please <u>apply</u> on DD Suite

BIDDERS' WORKSHOP & INFORMATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

The North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting to attend a Bidders Workshop to discuss the Community Living Mini-Grants Request for Applications (RFA) process. Please email <u>Philip Woodward</u> or (919) 518-9525, Video Phone or (984) 920-8212, Caption Call phone.

The Bidders' Workshop session will occur on Thursday, September 7, 2023 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM (ET). Anyone interested in attending should RSVP by e-mail at RFAinfo@nccdd.org by September 6, 2023. NCCDD may also host an additional

Question & Answer or Technical Assistance session with more information about it coming later.

Interested applicants are encouraged to attend the Bidders' Workshop. The Bidders' Workshop will occur virtually through ZoomGov:

NCCDD ZoomGov03 is inviting you to a scheduled ZoomGov meeting.

Join ZoomGov Meeting
Meeting ID: 161 969 5213
Passcode: 341975

Dial by your location

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BIDDERS' WORKSHOP PACKAGE LIST

- 1. Agenda (will be provided before the workshop)
- 2. DD Suite Account Set-up Instructions
- 3. PowerPoint Slides: Intro to NCCDD
- 4. PowerPoint Slides: Bidders' Workshop
- 5. Copy of the RFA
- 6. Components of DD Suite Grant Application
- 7. Comprehensive Contracts Attachments List
- 8. Application Review Scoring Form
- **9.** Budget Line Item Explanation Sheet
- **10.** Indirect Cost
- **11.** Performance Measures
- **12.** Contact Information from Intent to Apply (will be provided after Sept. 7th)
- 13. General Q & A Bidders' Workshop (will be provided after Sept. 7th)
- 14. Bidders' Workshop Q&A (will be provided after Sept. 7th)

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

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All applications must be received by 5:00 pm (ET) on September 29, 2023. Please apply on DD Suite: <u>https://www.ddsuite.org/?nofa_id=2096</u>

Following the Q & A Session on September 7, 2023, all questions and responses will be posted here.

Important Dates to Consider:

- Week of August 28, 2023: Request for applications distributed to eligible applicants and posted on the North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities website (<u>nccdd.org</u>)
- September 6, 2023: Deadline for written RFA questions to be answered at the Bidders' Workshop.
- September 7, 2023: Interested applicants may attend a Bidders' Workshop on ZoomGov from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. If feasible, NCCDD may schedule an additional Bidders' Workshop, Question & Answer Session, or Technical Assistance Session at a date and location to be determined. Check <u>nccdd.org</u> for announcements.
- September 29, 2023: Applications due to the NCCDD by close of business, 5:00 PM Eastern Time.
- A October/November 2023: Award announced.
- A October/November 2023: Contract begins.

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General Information Documents (click on items below for RFA Information)

- 1. DD Suite Grant Application Instructions (doc)
- 2. Introduction to NCCDD (ppt)
- 3. <u>Components of NCCDD Grant Application</u>
- 4. Comprehensive Contract Attachments List (docx)
- 5. <u>Application Scoring Form (pdf)</u>
- 6. <u>Budget Line Item Descriptions (pdf)</u>
- 7. General Indirect Cost Instructions (doc)

- 8. DD Suite Current Performance Measures (pdf)
- 9. OIDD Council Performance Measures (docx)
- 10. Collective Impact Overview (ppt)
- 11. NCCDD Match Examples (pdf)
- 12. <u>Calculating a Federal Grant Match August 2023</u>

References: Additional Resources to which the RFA Refers (Click on item below for additional RFA Information)

- 1. RFA#2024.2 Community Living Mini-Grants
- 2. Calculating a Federal Grant Match August 2023

RFA – 2024.2: COMMUNITY LIVING MINI-GRANTS

1. <u>Community Living Mini-Grants</u>

Required Contractor Documents (An organization receiving a funding award from NCCDD must submit these documents prior to the contract starting):

- 1. <u>Project Profile (doc)</u>
- 2. Assurances (pdf)
- 3. <u>State Certifications (pdf)</u>
- 4. Federal Certifications (pdf)
- 5. <u>An NCCDD contractor must be registered with the North Carolina Secretary of State</u>.
- 6. An NCCDD contractor must obtain a Unique Entity ID by going to <u>sam.gov.</u>
- 7. An NCCDD contractor that is a non-profit organization must submit an updated tax exemption or <u>501(c)(3) Determinations</u> Letter by going to <u>IRS- Charities Non-Profits: Tax Exempt Organization Search</u>.

The following three required attachments are documents that the applicant must edit, so NCCDD is posting a Word version of each. If you need any other documents in Word format for accessibility or other reasons, please contact <u>RFAinfo@nccdd.org</u> to let us know.

- 1. Authorization Letter to Sign Contracts (docx)
- 2. Authorization Letter to Sign Contract Expenditure Reports (docx)
- 3. State Grant Certification No Overdue Tax Debts (docx)