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To

OHA Grant Solicitations

Solicitation No.

OHA 18-01: Housing

OHA 18-02: Income

OHA 18-03: Health

OHA 18-04: Education

OHA 18-05: Culture

OHA 18-06: Land

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Responses to Questions

General Questions Applicable to All Solicitations Listed Above:

- 1. Can an organization submit multiple applications?**
Yes, an organization may submit applications for more than one solicitation; however, each application should reflect distinct services, activities, staffing and funding. Organization may not submit multiple applications for a single solicitation.
- 2. Is the Pre-Application deadline required?**
No. The Pre-Application deadline is optional. For more information about the Pre-Application deadline, see Section 1 of the Solicitations.
- 3. Can unallowable costs be included in the budget if funded by a match funding source?**
Yes. Match funding may be used to cover costs deemed unallowable by OHA.
- 4. Can co-operatives apply?**
Co-operatives may apply if they meet all minimum eligibility requirements including having IRS tax-exempt non-profit status.
- 5. If a project addresses more than one focus area, does the application need to address the performance measures for all solicitations?**
The applicant must address the minimum required performance measures of the specific solicitation for which they are applying.
- 6. Does an application receive extra points for aligning with multiple program areas?**
Points are assigned as explained in Section 4 – Application Evaluation of the Solicitations.
- 7. Does an applicant need to provide verification of the percentage of Native Hawaiians served by the program?**
Organizations submitting applications are responsible for maintaining documentation to verify the validity of any information submitted in the application.
- 8. How do organizations verify Hawaiian ancestry of participants?**
If your organization is awarded, the Grants Specialist will inform you of the accepted methods of ancestry verification for that focus area.
- 9. Do current grantees have to propose new projects?**
No. Applicants may apply for ongoing or new projects.

10. What percentage of funding goes to continuing projects?

OHA does not allocate funding specifically for continuing projects. All awards are based on a critical review and assessment of all applications submitted.

11. Does staff funded by OHA have to provide services exclusively to Native Hawaiians?

No. Projects funded by OHA do not need to serve Native Hawaiians exclusively. In general, reviewers may take into consideration the proportion of OHA funding being dedicated to the project and the percentage of the project's participants who are Native Hawaiian.

12. Are fiscal sponsors allowed?

OHA discourages the use of fiscal sponsors for these solicitations.

13. Does an organization have to obtain bids for goods/services in developing project budgets?

While bids are not required to be submitted as a part of your proposal, some method of verifying the actual costs of budget items requested will assist your organization in planning your budget.

14. Is there a cap on administrative fees?

Administrative fees/indirect costs are not an allowable budget item unless the applicant currently has an indirect cost rate approved by a State department or Federal agency contributing matching funding for the project. All actual costs should be detailed and itemized into the budget categories listed in the Solicitations.

15. Can the cash match come from an organization's income or fundraising?

Yes. Organizations should have their Executive Director or CFO write a letter that confirms the projected amount of income (which should be based on previous years' income) and states that the organization has committed those funds to the project.

16. Can answers to narrative questions be answered in bullets?

OHA sets no rules related to formatting for narrative questions other than the character limits specified in the online applications.

OHA 18-01 Housing Questions:

1. How does OHA define housing stability?

For this Solicitation, OHA does not define housing stability. The goal of the Housing Solicitation services is to "increase economic self-sufficiency of Native Hawaiians by increasing their capacity to own or rent a home."

OHA 18-02 Income Questions:

1. How does OHA define job placement?

For this Solicitation, OHA does not define job placement. Job placement assistance is explained in the solicitation as services “to assure participants attain employment that increases the participant’s individual and family income.”

OHA 18-03 Health Questions:

None

OHA 18-04 Education Questions:

1. Can services be provided to private school and/or elementary school students?

There is a target population listed in the Solicitation. You may serve students outside the target population as long as the target population remains your focus.

2. What is the Cultural Connectedness Survey?

The Cultural Connectedness Survey is an evaluation tool developed by Kamehameha Schools. If your organization is awarded, the Grants Specialist will provide further information regarding the Cultural Connectedness Survey.

OHA 18-05 Culture Questions:

1. How does OHA define a cultural practice?

For this Solicitation, OHA does not define cultural practice. The applicant should explain in the needs assessment the cultural practice and its role in traditional society.

OHA 18-06 Land Questions:

1. Do projects have to address economic, environmental, and cultural components?

Projects may address one or more of the components of sustainable resource management (economic, environmental, and cultural).