Community Opportunity Grants Program

Funding for Implementation and Evaluation Components of Community Health Improvement Plans and Hospital Community Health Needs Assessment Implementation Plans

Goal and Description
The Community Opportunity Grants Program seeks to enhance collaboration among public health departments, nonprofit organizations, hospitals, clinics, health care systems, schools, businesses and government leaders on community-identified health priorities.

Program Objectives
1. Support implementation and/or evaluation strategies that address health priorities identified in a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) or a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) implementation plan.
2. Support sustainable interventions that will have an impact on the selected priority, with an emphasis on policy, systems or environmental change.
3. Increase the capacity and effectiveness of multi-sector collaborations.

Eligibility
Wisconsin-based organizations that are tax-exempt under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and state, tribal or local government agencies may apply to the Community Opportunity Grants Program.

Funding Scope and Duration
- Individual awards will be up to $50,000.
- Awards will be for a maximum of 24 months.
- Ten to 12 will be awarded annually.
- Two funding cycles are planned in 2015.

Proposal Submission Process
All applicants must submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) to apply, which includes a project description, organizational contact information and anticipated funding amount. Applicants also must discuss the proposed project with a program officer from the Wisconsin Partnership Program before submitting a full proposal. The NOI and full proposal must be submitted via the Partnership Program’s online system.

Training and Technical Assistance
Partnership Program staff will conduct grant information sessions at UW-Madison and in select Wisconsin communities. Dates and times will be posted online at med.wisc.edu/partnership along with a webcast and answers to frequently asked questions.

More Information
Request for Partnerships available online at med.wisc.edu/partnership.
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