

Questions and Answers for Request for Applications # RFA-FY24-WQD-840

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice Strategy for the District's Municipal Separate Storm
Sewer System Programs

Q1: Will I be able to make changes to my profile once the user profile is submitted?

A1: No.

Q2: Are there specific non-profit partners to be engaged in the process? Is that something the selected entity will identify?

A2: DOEE will not identify non-profit partners to be engaged. The selected entity would do that.

Q3: Is there an anticipated date of award?

A3: DOEE anticipates a four to six-week review period. We expect to award by mid-June.

Q4: If our project approach involves providing stipends to community members, would DOEE be willing to pay stipends to community members directly? Are there any additional funding sources at DOEE for community member stipends, or would any stipend amounts have to come out of the project budget?

A4: If stipends are part of a proposed project, they should be included in the applicant's project budget.

Q5: If the proposed project budget includes stipends for community members, would DOEE be able to distribute the stipends directly to them?

A5: No. The grantee would be responsible for fully implementing their grant, including the distribution of stipends, if applicable.

Q6. We are a for-profit company with a current contract with DOEE that includes an accepted indirect cost rate. Is it acceptable for us to use the Nonprofit Fair Compensation Act of 2020, DC Act 23-565 to calculate our indirect cost?

A6. The RFA language for indirect cost cited in Section 3.1(b)(2)iv only applies to non-profit entities.

Q7: Would DOEE staff be available and willing to participate in public engagement activities proposed under this project?

A7: Yes. DOEE is willing to coordinate with the Grantee on the availability of DOEE staff to participate in public engagement activities.