

Request for Applications - Enhancing Air Quality Awareness: an Air Quality Advisory Board and Community Videos

Pre-application Meeting
December 4, 2023
RFA-FY24-AQD-829



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Agenda

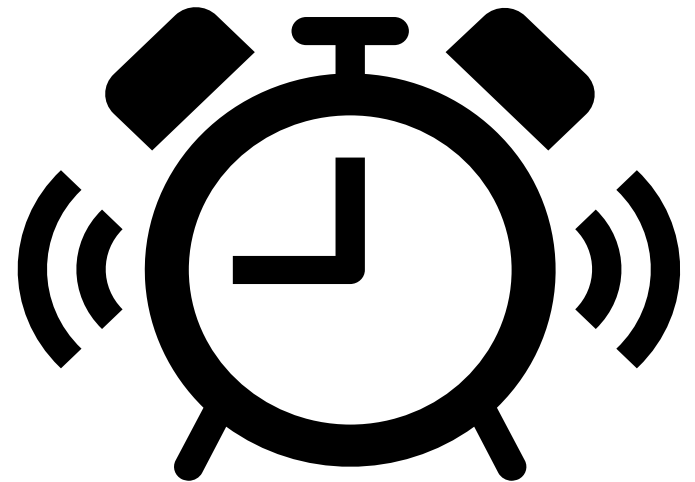
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Welcome

- Introductions
- Have a question about the RFA? We'll be taking questions at the end of the presentation. Please submit your questions in the chat!
 - You may also email your questions to 2023cmg.grants@dc.gov
 - All questions received and answers will be posted on the RFA website: <https://doee.dc.gov/node/1692411>

Important Dates

- Questions about this RFA must be received by **Tuesday, January 9, 2024.**
- Application Deadline: 11:59 pm on **Tuesday, January 16, 2024.**



The Project



NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY
AND
REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)

Enhancing Air Quality Awareness: an Air Quality Advisory Board and Community Videos
(Short name: Air Quality Advisory Board and Community)
RFA-FY24-AQD-829

Publication Date: 11/17/2023

Application Deadline: 1/16/2024 at 11:59 p.m.

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We want you to help us
increase public participation
in DC-wide air quality
decisions and **empower**
residents to be better
advocates on air quality
issues!

Project Details

- The purpose of this grant is to 1) develop and oversee a 7- to 15-person advisory committee; 2) collect and disseminate residents' stories and experiences with poor air quality; and 3) inform the public about a newly created online mapping tool that will provide localized real-time air quality data.
- The amount available for the project is \$81,246.
- Project Period –the project will start on the date the grant is signed and will run through April 30, 2025. This period can be extended depending upon DOE's determination of the performance of the grantee and/or the availability of funds.

What the grantee will do

- 1) Organize an Air Quality Advisory Board (AQAB) whose membership should reflect Wards 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 and include air quality and health technical experts.
- 2) Identify and interview residents of affected neighborhoods on the effects of air quality on their lives. The interviews should be filmed and will be posted on DOEE's online mapping tool.
- 3) Work with the AQAB to develop and disseminate information about the new Air Quality Mapping tool. DOEE will create the tool after the grantee solicits community input on its design. Once the online tool has been completed, the grantee will work with AQAB, DOEE, and other partners to develop and implement an outreach campaign to educate District residents about it.

Eligibility: who can apply?

Yes

- Non-profit organizations
- Faith-based organizations
- Universities

No

- Government agencies
- Private Enterprises

How to Apply

- Each applicant must apply through the **Grants Management System (GMS)**.
- Guidance and instructions are available on DOEE's website:
doee.dc.gov/node/1402611
- If you encounter any problems with the system, please contact doee.grants@dc.gov and cc 2023cmg.grants@dc.gov.
- DOEE will not receive an application as a hard copy, emailed copy, or faxed copy unless technical issues arise with the GMS and these issues are documented before the deadline.

Scoring Criteria

All eligible applications will be evaluated based on the criteria in the RFA.

Scoring Criteria	Points
Demonstrates existing relationships with diverse Environmental Justice communities on which the project will focus.	15
Presents a clear and comprehensive plan for creating and working with the AQAB.	15
Understands air quality and environmental burdens in the District.	15
Experience in videography and video editing or working with a partner/contractor who can do this.	15
Presents an engaging way to identify and encourage residents to share their stories related to air quality.	15
Experienced in managing groups and community outreach.	10
Provides a detailed budget that is cost-effective.	10
Provides a budget narrative that supports the budget numbers.	5

Additional Information



DOEE expects to notify each Applicant in writing of its award status within six to twelve weeks after the application due date.

For support developing a DOEE grant application, see the DOEE Grants Trainings series available at doee.dc.gov/node/1590721.

Questions?

