Public Notice

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Treasury American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF)

Request for Proposals (RFP) for

Community Facilities and Infrastructure Investments Capacity Building & Operating Expenses

Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD) has released the Community Facilities and Infrastructure Investments Capacity Building & Operating Expenses RFPs – on its Funding Opportunities page(https://csd.harriscountytx.gov/Housing-and-Community-Development/Programs-and-Services/Funding-Opportunities-RFP-RFA). The applications are available to all interested and eligible applicants, including non-profit organizations and governmental entities. Applications will be accepted no later than February 23, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. through CSD Box Platform. See link below. These funds were provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Estimated Total Funding Available is - \$19,900,000.

Applications should be submitted by February 23, 2024, 2:00 PM CST to <u>CSD BOX Platform</u> (https://hccsd.app.box.com/f/86d23b21c6954517ba1580ef9fc34956)

For alternative delivery methods contact CSD at <u>rfp@csd.hctx.net</u> at least 3 business days before the due date. *Late applications will not be accepted*.

Eligible projects include: 1) renovation or construction of new physical infrastructure with a focus on augmenting the capacity of nonprofit organizations; 2) strategic acquisition of pre-existing facilities to increase the operational capabilities of nonprofit organizations; 3) construction projects needing gap financing and are slated for completion within the stipulated ARPA expenditure deadlines; 4) capital improvement projects designed to support nonprofit organizations dedicated to addressing food insecurity, homelessness, behavioral health, and/or violence or domestic violence reduction and 5) increase operational capacity for an existing program including but not limited to providing for increased staffing needs, in alignment that addresses barriers to the improvement or stabilization of the lives of county residents' such as food insecurity, housing insecurity and homelessness, domestic violence or sexual abuse, mental health, and behavioral health supports.

For more information on eligibility, application evaluation and selection criteria, and standards please visit the Funding Opportunities page link (https://csd.harriscountytx.gov/Housing-and-Community-Development/Programs-and-Services/Funding-Opportunities-RFP-RFA). Applicants can also contact by email HCCSD Development staff for technical assistance. Deadlines to submit questions is February 19, 2024, by 5:00 PM CST. Q/A will be posted on HCCSD's website for the public. To request special accommodations, please contact the HCCSD Development staff at <u>mailto:rfp@csd.hctx.net</u> for assistance 3 business days before the application deadline.

An Applicant Conference will be held virtually on February 1, 2024. You may find the link to the meeting at <u>https://csd.harriscountytx.gov/Housing-and-Community-Development/Programs-and-</u><u>Services/Funding-Opportunities-RFP-RFA</u>. Harris County will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending Harris County functions. Requests from persons needing special accommodations should be received by Harris County staff 48-hours prior to the function. The Applicant Conference will

be conducted in English and requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should be made at least 72 hours prior to a function. Please email <u>rfp@csd.hctx.net</u> for assistance or additional information about this posting.