

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

NOTICE OF NON-COMPETITIVE FUNDING

AVAILABILITY and REQUEST FOR

PROPOSALS

FY2023 Returning Resident (or Reentry) Grant Program

The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) seeks applications from eligible organizations that are providing crucial reentry assistance and services to returning residents in the District. OAG recognizes that providing reentry assistance and services to returning residents can reduce crime and improve public safety. OAG therefore seeks to provide financial support to local non-profits that are assisting returning residents to navigate the path of securing psychological, social, economic, legal. technological, and cultural resources.

The Attorney General for the District of Columbia is the District's chief legal officer. The Attorney General is responsible for the charge and conduct of all the District's law business and for upholding the public interest. OAG enforces the laws of the District, provides legal advice to the District's government agencies, and promotes the interests of the District's citizens. The Attorney General may issue grants for the purposes of crime reduction, violence interruption, and assistance to victims of crime and other categories of vulnerable residents¹. This includes seniors, children, and individuals protected from discrimination under Unit A of Chapter 14 of Title 2 (the D.C. Human Rights Act).

Purpose: Residents who are returning to the District after serving a custodial sentence face significant barriers, particularly because they may have few, or no ties, to the community they once knew. Residents who have spent years in a carceral setting return to unrecognizable neighborhoods and technology. This is exacerbated by the lack of statehood, which means that District residents are often housed in Bureau of Prisons facilities hundreds of miles away from home. Returning residents are also often in need of access to basic human rights like food, transitional housing, job skills, family reunification, and care coordination. OAG recognizes the efforts of local organizations assisting those returning to our city, and OAG is pleased to offer financial support to eligible organizations that are working with this vulnerable population.

Below are examples of services that fall within each category eligible for funding. This is not an exhaustive list, and applicants are welcome and encouraged to submit proposals that detail additional services within the categories.

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¹ https://code.dccouncil.gov/us/dc/council/code/sections/1-301.88f

Category	Examples
Psychological	Therapy, counseling, mental health care, crisis response, etc.
Social	Public benefits coordination, legal documents, health, trauma-informed care, etc.
Economic	Job skills, financial literacy, employment, housing, education, etc.
Legal	Parole hearings, record sealing, criminal record discrimination, etc.
Technological	Computer and tech literacy, phone access, internet access, tech certifications, etc.
Cultural	Life skills, public safety, family reunification, etc.

Funding Expectations: Eligible grantees who are awarded a Returning Resident/Reentry Grant are expected to provide a scope of work proposal that outlines the services and resources that will be provided using these funds. Grantees will also need to submit a report that captures the impact and number of residents served.

Estimated Available Funds: Through this Notice of Non-Competitive Funding Availability, OAG announces the availability of up to \$50,000 in funding per grant per organization for Fiscal Year 2023 to eligible organizations. Total grant funding will not exceed \$300,000.

Eligible Applicants: Existing nonprofit, community-based organizations with an IRS 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) determination that will provide services to assist the returning resident population described in the Purpose section of this Notice of Non-Competitive Funding Availability and meet the Administrative and Policy eligibility requirements at the time of application may apply.

Period of Performance: January 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023.

Length of Award: Grant awards are for FY 2023.

Deadline for Electronic Submission: Proposals (see list of items needed below) are due by **11:59 PM EST, Friday, December 2, 2022**, and must be submitted through email to Gabrielle Breven at gabrielle.breven@dc.gov and Christian Barrera at Christian.Barrera@dc.gov. Extensions may be allowed on an individual basis.

What to Submit by the Friday, December 2, 2022, Deadline:

Applicant Cover Page. Name of applicant, type of organization, Tax I.D. numbers, D.U.N.S. number, project service areas, and the amount of grant funds requested (up to \$50,000)
Proposal and Budget Narrative. The applicant should state the services to be provided, the staffing needed, and how the funds will be used. Include a brief implementation plan. Applicants need not provide a proposal narrative longer than two-pages.

Each Applicant Must Provide the Following Administrative and Policy Requirements with

Their Application: Due Friday, December 2, 2022

A copy of the Grantee's current business license, registration, or certificate to transact business in the District of Columbia. The Grantee organization must be currently registered and in good standing with the Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection, and the Office of Tax and Revenue.
A Certificate of Insurance (COI)
Documentation of 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) status and City-Wide Clean Hands Compliance Status Letter (formerly Certificate of Clean Hands) not older than three months prior to the application due date. See: https://otr.cfo.dc.gov/page/certificate-clean-hands
Official letter signed by the Board of Directors and CEO authorizing the application for funds.
Confirm through a letter from the Board of Directors and CEO that the Grantee is current on any reporting obligations for any District of Columbia grant awarded for the FY22 grant cycle and progress towards completion of any required deliverable (if applicable).

All services and programming to receive grant funding must be provided in the District of Columbia.

The selected grantee(s) will sign a grant-agreement and a Grants Policy Manual (GPM) governing grants monitoring with OAG before the disbursement of funds. Interested organizations may partner with qualifying organizations to serve as the lead/applying entity.

For more information on this grant or questions about any of the requirements, please email Gabrielle Breven, Grants Management Supervisor, OAG, at gabrielle.breven@dc.gov. OAG is happy to work with interested applicants on ensuring appropriate needed documentation is provided.