



**OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY
GENERAL**

**NOTICE OF NON-COMPETITIVE
FUNDING**

**AVAILABILITY and REQUEST FOR
PROPOSALS**

**Leaders of Tomorrow:
FY2024 Youth Violence Prevention Grant Program**

The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) seeks applications from eligible organizations that are actively engaged in delivering crucial programs and services aimed at fostering positive youth development in the District. OAG recognizes the importance of providing financial support to local non-profits dedicated to identifying and mitigating risk factors associated with youth violence. These organizations play a crucial role in developing strategies that align with promising and evidence-based approaches, ultimately contributing to the long-term well-being and success of young individuals.

The Attorney General for the District of Columbia is the District's chief legal officer. The Attorney General is responsible for charge and conduct of all the District's law business. The Attorney General is responsible 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 residents. This includes seniors, children, individuals protected from discrimination under Unit A of Chapter 14 of Title 2.

Purpose: OAG prioritizes public safety and positive youth development as a core pillar to its mission. As the District's chief prosecutor for crimes committed by juveniles, the Attorney General works to make the city safer through smart prosecution and innovative, evidence-informed initiatives. OAG's public safety efforts aim to stop violence before it happens and address the root causes of crime to prevent justice-involved young people from reoffending. Recognizing the pivotal role community-based organizations play in strengthening and implementing protective factors for youth, OAG will provide financial assistance to support eligible organizations that have demonstrated a commitment to working with this vulnerable population.

By actively listening to District youth, and providing them with the necessary resources and services, we collectively foster a system that nurtures hopeful and healthy kids, ultimately improving the safety and well-being of everyone across the District.

Below are examples of resources and 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.

Category	Examples
<i>Academic Achievement & Workforce Readiness</i>	<i>Early childhood education, truancy mitigation, tutoring, course completion, on-the-job training, workforce skills development, financial literacy, apprenticeships, internships, youth employment, etc.</i>
<i>Youth & Family Support</i>	<i>Family counseling, case management, parent engagement, parent coaching, etc.</i>
<i>Trauma-Informed Services</i>	<i>Trauma training for youth/families/providers, creating safe spaces for youth, evaluation of practices, addressing trauma of youth and families, healing circles, etc.</i>
<i>Conflict & Dispute Resolution</i>	<i>Conflict resolution and mediation skill-building, emotional regulation skill-building, communication skill-building, etc.</i>
<i>Meaningful Engagement</i>	<i>Recreational activities, mentoring, youth advocacy, volunteer opportunities,</i>
<i>Mental Health & Wellbeing</i>	<i>Therapy, counseling, coaching, mental health care, crisis response, etc.</i>

Funding Expectations: Recipients of the Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Violence Prevention Grant are required to submit a comprehensive scope of work proposal, detailing the services and resources that will be delivered with the allocated funds. Grantees must also submit a report that captures the impact and number of youths served. Proposals must clearly define the target demographic, including age groups of the youth population being 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 2024 to eligible organizations. Total grant funding will not exceed \$250,000.

Eligible Applicants: Established organizations offering programs and services to support the youth demographic outlined in the Purpose section of this Notice of Non-Competitive Funding Availability may apply if they meet the following eligibility criteria at the time of application: nonprofit, community-based organizations with a valid IRS 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) determination. Organizations interested in applying jointly may apply with an identified lead organization and must describe which additional organization(s) will be supported through this grant, including proposal and budget narratives for each organization.

Period of Performance: April 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024.

Length of Award: Grant awards are for FY 2024.

Deadline for Electronic Submission: 11:59 PM EST, Friday, February 2, 2024

Proposals and eligibility documents (see list of items needed below) are due by the deadline listed above, and must be submitted through email to Gabrielle Breven at Gabrielle.Breven@dc.gov and Lauren Haggerty at Lauren.Haggerty@dc.gov. No extensions are allowed.

Proposal Requirements

- ❑ **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 and detailed line-item budget. Applicants need not provide a proposal narrative longer than five pages.

Eligibility Requirements

- ❑ 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 DC Department of Licensing & 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.
- ❑ Proof that the Grantee is current on any reporting obligations for any District of Columbia grant awarded for the FY24 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 Grant Policy Manual 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, Section Chief – Grant Management Unit | Violence Reduction Unit, at gabrielle.breven@dc.gov.