

**STRENGTHENING OHIO FAMILIES INITIATIVE
VULNERABLE YOUTH
Request for Grant Applications (RFGA)
RFGA#: R-89-01-0765**

RFGA Amendments

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1. LANGUAGE REMOVED

“non-profit 501(c)3 ~~faith based and community organizations~~”

a. The term “faith based and community” was removed from the RFGA so potential applicants are aware that any non-profit 501(c)3 organization that meets the requirements of the RFGA may apply for this funding opportunity

2. All instances of the term “out of wedlock births” are changed to “out of wedlock pregnancies.

3. LANGUAGE REPLACED

“~~low income areas~~ households”

a. Each occurrence of the term “low-income area” has been amended to state “low- income household(s)”. Thus, applicants serving the general vulnerable youth population must narrow their focus to youth residing in low-income households.

For the purposes of this RFGA, the term "low-income household" is defined as a household whose taxable income for the preceding year did not exceed 200 percent of the amounts listed in the 2008 Federal Poverty Guidelines.

<i>2008 HHS Poverty Guidelines</i>			
<i>Persons in Family</i>	<i>48 Contiguous States and D.C.</i>	<i>Alaska</i>	<i>Hawaii</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>\$10,400</i>	<i>\$13,000</i>	<i>\$11,960</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>14,000</i>	<i>17,500</i>	<i>16,100</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>17,600</i>	<i>22,000</i>	<i>20,240</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>21,200</i>	<i>26,500</i>	<i>24,380</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>24,800</i>	<i>31,000</i>	<i>28,520</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>28,400</i>	<i>35,500</i>	<i>32,660</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>32,000</i>	<i>40,000</i>	<i>36,800</i>

8	35,600	44,500	40,940
<i>For each additional person, add</i>	3,600	4,500	4,140

This information is also available at <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/08poverty.shtml>.

Applicants must establish eligibility prior to service delivery and maintain this information in their files.

Section 1.1 Purpose

1. Paragraph 2: LANGUAGE REMOVED
 “Only applicants with demonstrated success in delivering outcomes-based mentoring and wrap-around services to ~~the targeted SOFI sub-populations~~ and with demonstrated success in adhering to financial accountability standards, will be considered.”
 - a. *Applicants may submit proposals for projects serving the general vulnerable youth population. This is restated with the correct language in Paragraph 3.*

Section 1.4 Overview of Project

1. Paragraph 6: LANGUAGE ADDED
 “Qualified youth (*i.e.*, the “mentees” or “program participants”) must be residents of the State of Ohio, and they must be either members of at least one of the populations defined in this RFGA. ~~or, at minimum, residents of low-income areas.~~”

Proposals must service at least one of the following populations:

Vulnerable Youth: Qualified youth 8 – 18 years of age who reside in low-income households. Youth serviced must be no less than 8 years of age and no more than 17.5 years of age at the culmination of services. Youth who turn 18 during the program are eligible for services if they were enrolled and receiving services from the SOFI project six months prior to their 18th birthday.

Note: For the purposes of this RFGA, applicants must determine eligibility based on the 2008 Federal Poverty Guidelines.

This information is also available at <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/08poverty.shtml>.

Section 1.5 Objectives of the Project

1. Paragraph 1: LANGUAGE REPLACED

“The goal of the SOFI Mentoring Vulnerable Youth Project is to prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies for **vulnerable youth populations (as described in this RFGA)** ~~residing in low-income areas~~, through the establishment and support of mentoring relationships and wrap-around services that encourage social, character and leadership development and aim to prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock births.”

Section 1.6 Anticipated Procurement Table

Beginning with the proposal due date all dates (except for the project completion date) **will be extended by two weeks.**

February 19, 2008 – Proposal Due Date (3 p.m)

February 29, 2008 – ODJFS Issues Contract notification Letter

March 28, 2008 – Project Implementation

June 30, 2009 – Project Completion

Section 2.1 Mandatory Applicant Qualifications

1. Paragraph 3, Number 2: LANGUAGE ADDED

“Applicant organizations must demonstrate a minimum of three (3) years experiences dealing with one or more of the SOFI priority populations (**the general vulnerable youth population**, foster care youth, homeless youth and ex-offender youth as defined ~~above~~ **in this RFGA)**”

Section 3.1 Scope of Work

1. Paragraph 14, *Multiple Programs of Choice*: LANGUAGE REPLACED

“The ~~MSC~~ **MSP** will identify, recruit and maintain throughout the course of the grant a variety of ~~secular and faith-based mentors to deliver services~~ **mentors that can offer mentoring relationships that may or may not include faith components.** [...] Although participants have the option of selecting a faith-based mentor, selected applicants must ensure ~~that federal TANF guidelines prohibiting proselytizing are adhered to~~ youth have a choice of a mentoring relationship throughout the grant term.

2. Paragraph 16, *Mentor and Mentee Outreach and Recruitment*: LANGUAGE REMOVED
“[...] for nurturing and sustaining mentoring relationships that will address the needs of the designated SOFI-~~priority~~ population.
3. Paragraph 22, *The selected MSPs will be required to*: LANGUAGE REPLACED
“Establish and sustain a collaborative network [...] ~~ensure active participation of secular and religious mentors and ensuring~~ Ensure mentees sign a “Statement of Choice” indicating their preference **of a mentoring relationship that does or does not incorporate faith components.**

Section 3.3 Administrative Structures – Proposed Work Plan

1. Sections C : LANGUAGE REMOVED
“Provide a current organizational chart (~~including any subcontractors~~)...”
2. Section D: LANGUAGE REMOVED
“[...] Include a Table of Organization (~~including any subcontractors~~)...”

Section 3.4 Specifications of Deliverables

1. Section A: LANGUAGE REMOVED
“providing mentoring and wrap-around services to one or more of the SOFI designated priority populations;

ATTACHMENTS:

APPENDIX A: LANGUAGE CHANGED
Spelling errors fixed and language added for clarification

APPENDIX B: FORMATTING ERRORS
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