PROSPECTIVE APPLICANT QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Questions

Eligibility

- 1. Is a project on publicly-owned property eligible for funding through this RFP?
- 2. Is the RFP limited to organizations who serve 75% Filipinos?

Proposal Packet

- 3. For the Proposal Narrative, were you looking for questions to be included in the proposal with the responses underneath, or a free- flowing narrative tying in all the questions?
- 4. Can we submit a 10-year instead of a Three-Year Organizational Operating Budget?
- 5. Are utilities and operating expenses eligible grant expenses?

Answers

- 1. The intent of this particular RFP is to support the rehabilitation, acquisition and/or development of community facilities in SoMa, rather than the improvement of public spaces.
- 2. The RFP is limited to organizations who can demonstrate that at least 75% of their projected service participants are SoMa residents, not necessarily Filipino.
- 3. If possible, we would prefer question by question, instead of a free-flowing narrative.
- 4. Yes, so long as it answers the associated questions regarding ongoing operating expenses related to the acquisition, capital reserve contributions, and debt service payments.
- 5. No, only direct project expenses are allowable.



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Project Packet (continued)

- 6. How would you like us to document 100% Board giving?
- 7. Can we reformat the Project Budget Worksheet to reflect our different revenue sources?
- 8. Can the development timeline and fundraising plan be submitted in Excel format, or do they need to be a part of the narrative?
- 9. If our nonprofit has paid for preacquisition costs prior to the grant award, will we be able to receive funding for the pre-acquisition costs that have already been paid?
- 10. What would our total project cost need to be to be eligible to receive the full \$3,000,000 available?
- 11. At one point, the RFP says grantees will enter a two-year grant agreement, and at another point, it says grantees must spend down their grant within 7 months. Can you explain?

Answers

- 6. We would accept your Form 990 or Bylaws as proof of Board giving. If neither of those show Board contributions, please let us know.
- 7. Yes, feel free to reformat the table to reflect your full project budget.
- 8. Yes, Excel files are fine as long as they answer all aspects of the narrative questions regarding the development timeline and fundraising plan.
- 9. No, MOHCD cannot reimburse you for expenses prior to the start of the grant.
- 10. To receive the total \$3,000,000 available, the total project cost would have to be at least \$5,000,000.
- 11. For capital improvement projects, we will execute a two-year contract. For acquisition projects, we will execute a seven-month contract.

