

Missouri Department of Public Safety SFY 2024 Economic Distress Zone Grant (EDZ) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Grant Issued By:

Missouri Department of Public Safety

Funding Opportunity Title

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Introduction

The goal of the Economic Distress Zone Fund Grant is to provide funding to organizations registered with the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as a 501(c) (3) corporation who provide services to residents of the State of Missouri in areas of high incidents of crime and deteriorating infrastructure for the purpose of deterring criminal behavior.

Funding Allocation

EDZ funds were established by the Missouri Revised Statute 650.550 and are subject to funds being available each state fiscal year.

Period of Performance: Seven months

Projected Period of Performance Start Date: October 1, 2023

Projected Period of Performance End Date: April 30, 2024

Funding Instrument: Grant

Eligible Applicants:

The "areas of high incidents of crime and deteriorating infrastructure" shall mean a city with a homicide rate of at least seven times the national average according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting System; a poverty rate that exceeds twenty percent according to the United States Census Bureau; and has a school district with at least eighty percent of students who qualify for free or reduced lunch.

Eligible applicants include non-profit 501 (c) (3) corporations located within the State of Missouri that provide service to the following areas:

- o Village of Riverview
- o City of Pagedale
- o City of St. Louis
- Village of Hillsdale
- City of Vinita Park
- o City of Moline Acres
- o City of New Madrid

Ineligible Applicants

For-profit, governmental, and non-profit organizations that are not registered with the United States IRS as a 501 (c) (3) corporation are ineligible for EDZ funds from the State of Missouri.

Eligible Funding Areas

EDZ funds may be awarded for any of the following budget categories as deemed necessary to effectively and efficiently operate the proposed project within the eligible area:

1. Personnel, Personnel Benefits, Personnel Overtime, & Personnel Overtime Benefits

2. <u>Travel/Training</u>

Training and travel-related costs, and consultants hired to provide training at the project agency. Training and travel costs for staff at the project agency to provide training as part of the program.

3. **Equipment**

Equipment is tangible, nonexpendable personal property (including information technology systems) having a useful life of more than one year and a per-unit acquisition cost of \$1,000.00 or more per unit.

4. Supplies/Operations

Supplies are all other items of tangible personal property that are not equipment. This includes technology and mobile devices that cost less than \$1,000.00 per unit.

Contractual

Costs directly associated with the project and its activities that are secured on a contractual nature.

I. Ineligible Activities and Cost Items:

Ineligible activities and cost items include, but are not necessarily limited to the following:

Bonuses or Commissions
Construction/Renovation Projects
Daily Subsistence within Official Domicile
Entertainment Expenses & Bar Charges
Finance Fees for delinquent payments
First Class Travel
Indirect Costs
Less-than-lethal Weapons
Lobbying or Fundraising
Military-Type Equipment

Office Lease/Purchase
Personal Incentives for Employment
Pre-Paid Fuel/Phone Cards
Vehicles (Lease or Purchase)
Weapons and Ammunition
Program costs for services provided outside of the eligible areas

Application and Submission Information

1. Key Dates and Times

a. Application Start Date: August 18, 2023

b. Application Submission Deadline: September 15, 2023 5:00 pm CST

2. Agreeing to Terms and Conditions of the Award

By submitting an application, applicants agree to comply with the requirements of this NOFO and the terms and conditions of the award, should they receive an award.

Applications will only be accepted through the Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) online WebGrants System.

A PowerPoint with instructions on how to apply through the WebGrants System will be available in WebGrants and on the DPS website, at the following link under, <u>Grant Applications and Forms</u> titled SFY 2024 Economic Distress Zone Grant Application Workshop.

As part of the SFY 2024 EDZ application, each eligible applicant must complete all application forms and provide all required documents:

1. Contact Information Form

2. EDZ Project Package

3. Budget

4. Named Attachments

- a. Proof of agencies 501(c) (3) corporation status * Required*
- b. Audit or Financial Statement *Required*
- c. 2022 Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax Form 990 *Required*
- d. Other Supporting Documentation
- e. Other Supporting Documentation
- f. Other Supporting Documentation
- g. Other Supporting Documentation

Contact Information:

Additional information and resources can be located on the <u>Missouri Department of Public Safety</u> website.

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