HENNEPIN COUNTY

Addendum 2 to the Request for Applications Equipment and Facility Grants Fall 2023

Notice to all proposers:

1. Review responses to inquiries below.

Responses to inquiries

Questions from prospective applicants may be written verbatim or paraphrased. Questions and answers that are similar or redundant have been consolidated. Questions and answers are organized by topic.

Topic: General

1. If matching funds are provided for a project does that help an application in the evaluation process?

The application for all grants asks about matching funds since this is a metric that is collected by the program. Evaluation criteria for each grant opportunity can be found in section 2.3 of the Request for Applications (RFA). Matching funds or the ability to leverage non-Hennepin County funding may be a factor for our larger grant opportunities including Facility grants and Registration Fee grants.

- 2. Can grants be awarded at a reduced amount than what was requested in the application? Yes.
- 3. Can non-profits apply for grant opportunities through Hennepin County Youth Activities Grants?

Eligibility for Hennepin County Youth Activities Grants is limited to Local Government Units (LGUs). However, LGUs are encouraged to partner with non-profits to apply for funding.



- 4. What is the recommended amount to ask for? Award amounts are listed in the Request for Applications (RFA). There is no recommended request amount. However, awards may not exceed the award amounts listed in the Request for Applications (RFA).
- 5. Are the selection committees the same for each grant opportunity? There are separate selection committees for each grant opportunity. Facility and Equipment grants are evaluated by the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commissioner (MASC). MASC may have members serve on the same review panel. The Registration Fees grant will be evaluated by a review team by Hennepin County.
- 6. How many applicants are applying for these grants?

 We are not able to predict how many applicants will be applying for grant opportunities.

 Typically, there are 10-15 applications received for Facility grants and between 20-30 applications are received for equipment grants each cycle. Since Registration Fees grants are a new grant opportunity, we are not able to predict how many applications will be received.
- 7. Does Free/Reduced Lunch Rate play a factor during application evaluation? Free and reduced lunch rates are often used by applicants to answer questions in the application. This is not a mandatory metric that is asked in the application. Evaluation criteria for each grant opportunity can be found in section 2.3 of the Request for Applications (RFA). Free and reduced lunch rate is not currently an evaluation criterion in and of itself, however, the data may be used to answer questions that are relevant to evaluation criteria listed in section 2.3 of the RFA.

Unless expressly modified by other Addendum, all other terms and conditions shall remain the same.

Anna Carpenter, Grant Coordinator Hennepin County Youth Activities Grants September 13, 2023

Please acknowledge receipt of this addendum in the Hennepin County Supplier Portal. The County reserves the right to accept or reject submissions that have not acknowledged the addendum.

