

RFP Questions from the Informational Phone Calls

Eligibility:

- 1) Is the grant only applicable to US agencies?
 - a. Yes. The majority of funds come from the U.S. federal government and may only be provided to organizations in the U.S.
- 2) Are only 10 awards anticipated?
 - a. We anticipate awarding approximately 10 awards. This is half of the amount of funding as we had last year because half the money will go to fund Year 2 of the first subgrantees' programs. Congressional and philanthropic fundraising has remained flat.
- 3) Could services under this grant be provided to non-Jewish Holocaust survivors, or survivors that have been rejected by the Claims Conference?
 - a. The guidance for who may be considered a Holocaust Survivor is on page 7 of the RFP. It is not limited to the definition that the German Government uses. Non-Jewish Holocaust Survivors can be supported through this grant.
- 4) What do you mean by diversity of agency size?
 - a. We intend to fund both large and small-sized organizations.
- 5) Does the agency have to be trauma-informed to be eligible for this grant?
 - a. This is an opportunity for your agency to become person-centered, trauma-informed (PCTI). There is not a standard of trauma-informed care. You will be asked about your experience with PCTI care in the application, but it is not required.

Match Funds:

- 1) Our Holocaust survivor program will be receiving new money for mental health services for Holocaust survivors. Can we use this same funding source for the match for both years of the grant?
 - a. You may use funds from the same source for both years of the match, as long as the funds are new for the first year and meet the other requirements outlined on page 10 of the RFP.

Budget:

- 1) Are we expected to submit a budget for one or two years? Let's say we request \$100,000. Is it going to be considered for one year or two program years?

- a. The budget template allows you to enter two years of budget information. Please enter both years. If you request \$100,000 in the first year, assume that the request will be half (\$50,000) in the second year.

General:

- 1) Is the list of organizations who received this year's funding available to review?
 - a. Yes. We are working on a list that summarizes current JFNA-funded projects. It will be posted on this website when available. We encourage you to come up with your own innovations.
- 2) Can two or more service areas be combined in one application? For example, can you propose a program to provide direct services to the Holocaust survivors and their care givers as well as promote physical health and well-being of Holocaust Survivors?
 - a. Yes. We anticipate receiving applications that include multiple service categories. We encourage creativity to meet the needs of your community.

Previous Applicants:

- 3) If we applied in the last cycle and were not funded, can we find out if there were deficiencies in the previous application?
 - a. Yes, please send us an email if you are interested in feedback from prior applications.
- 4) If we applied in the last cycle and were not funded, yet we had a pledge for match, can we use the match in this proposal?
 - b. The match must constitute new resources and cannot have already been spent. Please see page 10 of RFP for the complete description of matching funds.