

## 2021-2024 Rape Prevention Education RFA – Questions and Answers

**1. Please clarify the statement on page 7 concerning educators trained in CBIM.**

The FL Dept. of Health clarified the statement in the RFA that "In Florida, all domestic violence centers include an educator who is trained in CBIM." This is not a requirement for DV Centers; it was an activity conducted for, or in tandem with, the CDC-DELTA grant (domestic violence prevention). It is possible that those trained have transitioned or moved on and there may not be a CBIM trained person in a given center.

**2. Regarding the eligibility requirements listed in section B [ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS], how is an organization defined? If there are two separate departments at Florida State University who are interested in submitting separate applications, are these departments considered two separate organizations? Example: Health services target population is college students and the College of Education target population is high school students.**

If the question is about splitting the work within an entity and addressing populations – yes, one entity can submit one application addressing two populations.

If the question is, can an entity submit more than one application the answer is also yes.

**3. Regarding Project Narrative Format and Technical Requirements 4-B-IV:**

**Are the letters from collaborative partners indicating their participation in this project independent from the letters of support outlined in section D?**

No

**4. Are there staffing requirements for the project?**

No

**5. Does Table of Contents count in the 7 page minimum?**

No

**6. Material says you may propose either O or P. Is it either? Or is it one O approach and two approaches that support P as stated in 4.b.iii. and iv.?**

We are requiring one approach for the S-T

AND

We are requiring three approaches for the O-P

A social marketing campaign can count for one of the three O-P approaches.

**7. Is there any mandatory travel to grantee meetings/trainings?**

Successful applicants will be required to attend the Florida Council Against Sexual Violence biannual Summit and any included contract-related meetings at the Summit.

**8. Do we have to use evidence-based strategies or can we develop our own as long as they meet the O and P criteria?**

Identified strategies for O and P activities are not required to be evidence-based. The STOP SV Technical Package, page 10, outlines evidence for current strategies in further detail.

**9. Can staff working on this project be split-time?**

Yes

**10. Attachment D #4 documented experience, is there a page number limit?**

No

**11. Once Grant is awarded, will payment be monthly, quarterly, etc..?**

Monthly

**12. Can a single entity submit 2 proposals for multiple service areas?**

Yes

**13. Are the answers for the questions going to be provided in writing or just during the call?**

The answers will be provided in writing.

**14. Is there a requirement to have a 100% coordinator position for the project?**

No

**15. How does being a dual center impact the requirement for “Coaching Boys to Men”?**

“Coaching Boys to Men” is not a requirement. This is an example of an evidence-based individual level strategy.

**16. Is there a requirement to have a letter of support from the local health department. The center has a good relationship with the health department, participates in the CHIP and were actively involved in the CHIP meetings until COVID. We will ask for a letter of support, but I understand the health department is overwhelmed dealing with COVID.**

The Letter of Support from the health department is not required to be submitted with the application.

**17. If given the grant, would recipients who have already been through college Green Dot Institute (GDI) training need to be trained in community based GDI?**

Yes. If you plan to implement Green Dot Community, you must be trained in community based Green Dot.

**18. What would Technical Assistance look like if awarded this grant?**

The Florida Council Against Sexual Violence will provide contract related and program related assistance. The Florida Department of Health will provide evaluation related and program related assistance.

**19. Would recipients need to be certified in CBIM or partner with another shelter who is already implementing CBIM?**

“Coaching Boys to Men” is not a requirement. This is an example of an evidence-based individual level approach. However, if a grantee chooses to implement CBIM and there is a DV Center with a CBIM Educator in the same location, it is strongly recommended that the two entities work together, to further enhance violence prevention and avoid replication.

**20. Can we include planning surrounding human trafficking into our grant application?**

The requirement is 1 individual level strategy, and three community level strategies as specified. As long as the Human Trafficking activities meet those requirements, and the need for human trafficking activities is included in the narrative, it is acceptable.

**21. On page 7 of RFA it states, "The applicant may also choose to partner with other programs or agencies who are implementing a "S" or "T" strategy."**

**My question is: Can the applicant choose to partner with other programs or agencies who are implementing an "O" strategy?**

Yes.

**22. We are from the Women’s Center of Jacksonville and our agency serves 3 Northeast FL Counties: Duval, Baker, Nassau. Will we be able to include Baker and Nassau counties in our O/P programming efforts or are we restricted to only Duval?**

Yes. You may include multiple counties in your O/P programming efforts.

**23. Our question is in regard to 3.d. on page 12. If personnel costs are identified in the budget a resume and position description for each funded position must be submitted with the proposal. We will be creating a new position with the funding so a position description will be included in the application but not a resume since there is not an existing person in mind for the role. How do we note that?**

Please indicate that a new position will be created if awarded and submit the position description and note that a resume is not available at this time.

**24. The RFA did not specify what the target numbers are for program implementation/service delivery. Will there be specific implementation target numbers outlined in our contracts, or should we include our own implementation/service delivery target numbers in our proposals?**

Please include your own implementation/service delivery target numbers in your proposal.

**25. Should we focus on all aspects (S, T, O, P, and SV) or just one or two?**

Successful applicants must include at least: 1 (S/T) activity, 1 O activity and 2 P activities.

**26. Can we submit more than one grant request.**

Yes.

**27. Are the letters of support for this grant specific to this project or can we use a recent MOU including all area partners.**

Letters of Support should be specific to this project.

**28. Is there still a recording of the informational phone call from December 11th that we can access.**

No

**29. Are you looking for this to be an independent position.**

There is not a requirement for this to fund a full-time position.

**30. Please clarify the intention of this sentence on page 6:**

**“Successful applicants of this RFA will implement approaches listed under either the “O” (provide opportunities to empower and support girls and/or women) and the “P” (create protective environments).”**

The diction in this sentence is unclear whether applicants must implement one or both approaches. (“Either” would suggest only one; “and” suggests both.) Further, the instructions for the Project Description on page 11 indicate that the project should include both one “O” approach and two “P” approaches. Which meaning is intended?

Both one “O” approach and two “P” approaches.

**31. Is there a page limit or preferred format for Attachment D: BONUS POINTS?**

No

**32. Attachment D also references “documented experience.” What kinds of documentation suffice to support agency experience in the specified areas?**

A narrative description of experience may be used as documentation.

**33. In the RFA it states on p. 7 that “The applicant may also choose to partner with other programs or agencies who are implementing a ‘S’ or ‘T’ strategy.” Are we also allowed to partner with other programs or agencies who are implementing the “O” strategy?**

Yes

**34. What can we expect to change with our existing Green Dot contract deliverables? Will the total number of contract deliverables be reduced to reflect the 25% individual strategy parameters?**

The RFA will result in a contract with a focus on community level approaches.

Implementation of Green Dot will account for only 25% of time and budget allocated to this project.

**35. Would programming created on consent (both sexual and in everyday life) as well as teen dating violence prevention be a feasible option for the "P"?**

Acceptable approaches for "P" activities must be on the community-level and extend beyond individual-level education and training.

**36. Budget related questions:**

- **Will the two years following the initial year (2/1/21-1/31/22) be in the award amount of \$75,000 as well?**

Yes

- **Travel reimbursement – Will this funding stream allow reimbursement on agency owned vehicles or just mileage reimbursement when driving their own vehicle at state rate on funded staff?**

Requisite travel reimbursed in accordance with the rates established by 112.061 F.S. is allowable.

- **On the RFA, under allowable cost, it states that Phone/Fax/Internet cost are allowable. Are other utilities such as water, sewer, power, trash, allowable based on FTE's?**

Yes

- **Is "weekly office sanitation" expense allowable based on FTE's?**

Yes

- **On the RFA, under allowable cost, it states that Equipment rental/maintenance is allowable.**

**Would copier maintenance and fee for images contracts be allowable under this category based on FTE's?**

Yes

**Would A/C unit maintenance contracts be allowable under this category based on FTE's?**

Yes

**Would accounting software maintenance contracts be allowable under this category based on FTE's?**

Yes

**Would alarm (Fire & Security) monitoring contracts be allowable under this category based on FTE's?**

Yes

**37. Question on Submission Checklist Re: #5 (Bonus Points)- "Documented experience implementing economic opportunities and leadership skills for women and girls and protective environment building through CDC's STOP SV Technical Package"**

- **Does this mean the experience we send documentation of must be from work that was funded by CDC and or explicitly based on CDC's technical package itself at the time of that experience?**

No

**Or, may we provide documentation of experience implementing opportunities through the same tenets of that technical package in sexual violence prevention more generally, i.e., "bystander intervention", "mobilizing men and boys as allies", "teaching healthy relationship skills to adolescents"?**

Yes, as long as they included power-based personal violence prevention.

- **May we provide documented experience of implementing this kind of programing in non-CDC-affiliated programs, which used these same tenets?**

Yes