



**ADDENDUM No. 5
Notice of Funding Availability**

Small Business Incubators and Accelerators Program

**Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery
Puerto Rico Department of Housing**

CDBG-DR-NOFA-2020-01

This Addendum consists of fifteen (15) digital size pages (8.5"x11").

This Addendum is hereby included in, and made part of, the Notice of Funding Availability CDBG-DR-NOFA-2020-01 for the Small Business Incubators and Accelerators Program (SBIA Program) dated March 26, 2020 (NOFA). All requirements and provisions of the amended NOFA for the SBIA Program under CDBG-DR shall remain in full force and effect except as amended by this Addendum. This Addendum only provides answers to questions related to the SBIA Program. If there are questions related to other programs and NOFAs, please refer directly to those programs and NOFAs.

In accordance with the NOFA, the PRDOH is issuing this Addendum to address additional questions posed by prospective Applicants regarding the NOFA and provide responses related thereto.

Please note that in addition to addressing questions posed by prospective Applicants, this addendum contains revisions to the Funding Opportunity Description Section, the Program Description Section, the Eligible Use of Funds Section, Number of Awards and Maximum Award Information Section, and the Evaluation Committee, Selection and Award Section.

Questions and Answers

NOFA Section 2.2

Question #1: Our organization's programs offer all the services mentioned with the exception of physical space, is this component required to be eligible to receive funds under this Program?

- a. If yes, can the physical space requirement be satisfied through an agreement with a third-party partner that has the capacity to provide this particular service?
- b. If no, where should we clarify this to ensure we don't get disqualified?

Answer: Providing a physical space for program participants is not mandatory to be eligible for this Program. If you would like to rent space, to be used solely for program participants, that is an eligible expense as per the Eligible Use of Funds section of the SBIA

NOFA.

Question #2: Our organization has an existing portfolio of incubation/acceleration programs, are these existing programs eligible for funding under this Program?

Answer: This funding is not intended to substitute funding for existing programming. The funding from the SBIA Program is designed to allow incubators or accelerator to expand existing programs to offer more coursework or training, establish new programs, and work with more businesses, or to help establish new incubators or accelerators so they can offer assistance to more businesses.

NOFA Section 3.1

Question #1: As stated, the funds can be used to provide technical assistance to small businesses and associated activities. Can associated activities include not for profits institutions that also incubate micro and small businesses?

Answer: Yes, this Program supports the growth and success of small and new businesses by providing awards to eligible entities for the expansion or creation of business incubation and acceleration services and/or the expansion of workspaces to render said services.

As stated in Section 3.3 of the SBIA NOFA, Eligible activities for this Program, per the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq.) (HCDA), include:

- *Section 105(a)(15) assistance to neighborhood-based nonprofit organizations, local development corporations, nonprofit organizations serving the development needs of the communities in non-entitlement areas, or entities organized under section 301(d) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to carry out neighborhood revitalization, community economic development, or energy conservation projects in furtherance of the objectives of section 101(c) of the HDCA, (42 U.S.C. § 5305(a)(15))”*

Question #2: What are the modalities in which the trainings are allowed to take place? Do they allow a program to be offered entirely online?

Answer: There is not a defined list of teaching modalities that are acceptable. We ask Program applicants to provide an overview description of the proposed Small Business incubation/Acceleration program. Explain the methodology and strategies for execution of program(s). Accepted programs will be asked to submit a workplan that outlines in detail all courses that will be provided.

Yes, if appropriate, online courses and program are acceptable.

NOFA Section 3.2

Question #1: Section 3.2 indicates that public higher education institutions (universities) are eligible to submit proposals.

My question: are private higher education institutions eligible since they provide training in health areas, etc.? On the other hand, is a 501c3 that has worked on employability and training projects eligible to present a proposal for microenterprise development under provision 24 C.F.R. § 570.201 (o)?

Answer: As stated in NOFA Section 3.2, eligible entities for this program are 501(c)(3) or not for profit entities, community based development organizations, public institutions of higher learning, administrative agencies or departments of the Government of Puerto Rico, and for profit entities as authorized under 24 C.F.R. § 570.201(o).

A private higher education institution would only be eligible if it meets the criteria outlined in 24 C.F.R. § 570.201(o) or if it's a 501(c)(3) or not for profit entity. A 501(c)(3) should be eligible provided its program meets the rest of the criteria outlines in the NOFA.

NOFA Section 3.3:

Question #1: Our organization is a nonprofit organization which serves both for-profit businesses and nonprofit organizations through our programs, which are free of cost to the community. Given that the services or assistance are not provided "for-profit", would they be considered eligible for funding under this program?

Answer: Yes this would most likely be considered eligible. The criteria outlined in the Eligible Activities section of the NOFA describes eligible beneficiaries, meaning participants in the programs being funded. Incubators and accelerators that participate in the SBIA Program are allowed to work with for-profit and nonprofit entities as described in the Eligible Activities section of the SBIA NOFA.

NOFA Section 3.4

Question #1: Is the acquisition of property considered eligible? According to the Guidelines, Section 3.2 indicates that indeed it is. But the NOFA establishes different information.

- If the purchase of the property is not eligible: can the accrued interest expenses of a loan for the purchase of the property be included to be reimbursed?
- If the purchase option is not eligible, can the organization submit evidence of the cost effectiveness of buying vs. renting a space that is already being evaluated so that it is considered the purchase option under this proposal?

Answer: Yes, the acquisition of property is considered eligible. Please, refer to the Eligible

Costs section of the Program Guidelines, V3.0, where it is stated that acquisition, preservation, renovation, rehabilitation, or construction of buildings for use as small business incubators/ accelerators is an eligible cost.

Please keep in mind that all procurement will need to be reviewed and approved by PRDOH before the purchase is made, in order to be eligible.

Question #2: *In the case of our organization, all our staff members (both programmatic and administrative) are employed by an affiliated entity (Puerto Rico nonprofit organization; non-501(c)(3)). Would we be allowed to cover salaries for our personnel under this arrangement?*

- a. If yes, should this be addressed or documented within the application in any particular way (i.e. detailed explanation, corporate resolution, etc.)*
- b. If no, could we apply with the affiliate organization, a PR nonprofit under Section 1101(4)?*

Answer: If your organization is a for-profit entity you are not eligible to apply unless you are authorized under 24 C.F.R. § 570.201(o). If your organization meets the definition of an eligible entity, as described in the Eligible Applicants section of the SBIA NOFA, you may apply, or the affiliate organization may apply directly for the Program.

If your organization is eligible to apply then yes, you must document an affiliated organization and describe the relationship and provide any relevant partnership or teaming agreements.

If you are an eligible organization, yes, you are allowed to pay for program and administrative staff salaries but solely for work and time directly spent on the approved SBIA Program. When completing your application, proposed staff, hourly rates, and expected hours worked can be documented in Exhibit I: Budget Template. This is located on the SBIA page of the CDBG-DR website: <https://cdbg-dr.pr.gov/en/small-business-incubators-and-accelerators/>

Question #3: *Can we request funds to cover travel and lodging arrangements for non-Puerto Rico based speakers and instructors that participate in our educational programs?*

Answer: Yes, you may invoice for travel and lodging arrangements for speakers and instructors that participate in your program if this cost is included in the budget and afterwards included in the SRA budget. To determine the appropriate costs, eligible applicants should use the lowest of the General Services Administration (GSA) travel rates or the eligible applicants' internal travel rate policy. The program does not pay for flight time, unless billable work is being carried out at that time.

If travel and lodging for speakers and instructors is not stated explicitly in the agreement, the expense cannot be reimbursed.

Question #4: Would administrative costs related to the operation of our headquarters/main office be considered an eligible use of funds?

- a. If yes, should they be classified as Operational Costs or Indirect Costs?

Answer: No, general administrative costs related to the operation of your headquarters and main office are not eligible uses of funds. However you are allowed to bill for costs incurred directly in the administration of your SBIA funded program. These headquarter operation costs incurred directly in the administration of your SBIA funded program would be indirect and could be paid using the indirect cost rate. Indirect costs rates must be negotiated with PRDOH.

Staff time, utilities, maintenance, and equipment used specifically for your SBIA funded program are eligible costs. These would be operational costs.

Question #5: Is there a particular ratio of Direct/Indirect Costs that is allowed or preferred under this Program?

Answer: No, there is not a particular ratio of Direct/Indirect Costs that are allowed or preferred under this program. We do assume that Direct costs will be the majority of the costs associated with the program budget due to the nature of the programs anticipated.

There is information on establishing an Indirect Cost rate in SBIA Addendum 2.

Question #6: Can you please confirm when PRDOH will approve indirect costs rates for organizations who have negotiated indirect costs with the federal government? Will this be approved before or after proposal submission?

Answer: The exact date that PRDOH will approve individual indirect costs rates, is not established as these will all involve individual negotiations between eligible applicants and PRDOH. The rate will be approved after the Agreement has been executed by both parties.

NOFA Section 3.5

Question #1: Does the Program allow us to cover cost of food/catering offered during educational program activities?

- If yes, is there any particular guidance for this budget item (per diem, proportional or other limitation)?

Answer: No, the Program does not allow reimbursement for food or catering offered during program activities.

Question #2: Our programs offer cash grants for admitted participants as well as equity free seed capital prizes for top performing teams, would these be classified as ineligible use of funds given the limitation on “stipends”?

Answer: Yes, grants and seed capital would be classified as ineligible. This program does not provide funding to the individual businesses. It provides funding to programs that support the individual businesses.

NOFA Section 3.7

Question #1: Can you please confirm that following the NOFA Section 3.7 Cost Limitations Mercy Corps NICRA is a cost allowed under the CDBG-DR-NOFA-2020-01 Small Business Incubators & Accelerators?

Answer: If the entity previously had a negotiated indirect cost rate, the rate must re-negotiated directly with PRDOH to recover indirect costs.

If the entity has a current negotiated indirect cost rate, the rate should be submitted to PRDOH for approval.

All indirect cost rates are subject to the approval of PRDOH.

If your Indirect Cost rate is valid for an appropriate period of time, and if it is approved by a federal agency, this should be acceptable to PRDOH. However, this rate will be approved after the Agreement has been executed by both parties and varies case by case.

NOFA Section 3.10

Question #1: Can you provide examples of what type of contracts or subcontracts would satisfy the MWBE and Section 3 requirements?

Answer: PRDOH cannot anticipate the contracting needs of the entities participating in this NOFA, however you can review a list of Section 3 businesses using the URL from HUD below:

<https://portalapps.hud.gov/Sec3BusReg/BRegistry/SearchBusiness>

To locate MWBE businesses you can also use the database link included above and use the “additional search options” and click on “Minority-Owned Businesses” or “Women-Owned Business”.

You can also write to the local Puerto Rico SBA office:

Puerto Rico and US Virgin Islands District Office

[273 Ponce de León Ave., Plaza 273, Suite 510](#)
[San Juan, PR 00917](#)

Phone: 787-766-5572
Fax: 787-766-5309

Additionally, PRDOH will provide training for Section 3, MWBE, and Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity federal requirements which apply to the use of CDBG-DR funding. This extensive training program begins once you are awarded funding.

Please, feel free to review the PRDOH policies available for public viewing using the links below and pressing the download button:

MWBE English Policy - <https://www.cdbg-dr.pr.gov/en/download/mwbe-policy/>
Section 3 English Policy - <https://www.cdbg-dr.pr.gov/en/download/section-3-policy/>

NOFA Section 6.3

Question #1: Future Operating Budget/Sustainability (5 points):

- Provide a projected 5-year operating budget, including a description of anticipated annual revenue sources and amounts.
- Provide anticipated revenue after CDBG-DR grant funds are exhausted.

Does this requirement refer to an organization-level budget or a program-specific budget for the activities for which funding is being requested?

Answer: This requirement refers to a program-specific budget for the activities for which funding is being requested.

Other Questions

Question #1: We have not been able to see where to enter to fill the "application" and the "addendum". The address listed in the Guidelines is www.cdbg-dr.pr.gov leading us to the housing page! Could you tell us how to do it?

Answer: The application is not available yet and it will not be accessible until the Application Submission Start Date on May 22, 2020. However both the NOFA, which includes the scoring criteria for applications, and all supporting documents, including addendums, are available at:

<https://cdbg-dr.pr.gov/en/small-business-incubators-and-accelerators/>

Question #2: Our University is a non-profit corporation dedicated to being a Higher Education Institution. The University has a unique employer social security, however, it is divided into three campuses. Each site has its own DUNS ID, and as a custom and use,

each site submits their respective proposals, to federal, state, and private entities using their own DUNS ID.

In this particular case, one of our campuses is interested in submitting a project to the Workforce Training Program and the Incubator Program.

The question is:

1. Can each campus submit its own proposal separately with its respective DUNS ID (given the scenario I explained to you), and,
2. If the first question is affirmative, can the same campus submit more than one proposal (from different schools) with the same DUNS ID)?

Answer: Yes, each campus or program can submit its own proposal separately with its respective DUNS number. The entity however cannot receive more than two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) in funding through the SBIA Program, including future program offers.

Question #3: Can an agricultural corporation apply to this program?

Answer: Yes, an agricultural corporation can apply to the SBIA Program. To be successful you will need to meet the eligibility criteria outlined in the Funding Opportunity Description section of the SBIA NOFA and be able to respond to the Application Requirements outlined in Section 6 of the SBIA NOFA.

Question #4: If said program is approved, must the applicant present some type of guarantee? ex. mortgage.

Answer: No, if your program is approved you will not need to present a guarantee or mortgage. You will however have to execute a Subrecipient Agreement with PRDOH, before which you will have to participate in a Capacity Assessment to verify that your organization will be able to implement the program you have proposed.

Question #5: Is this program a grant or loan?

Answer: The SBIA Program is a grant program. Funding for this Program will be distributed on a reimbursement basis for the eligible expense of grant funds, as supported by substantial supporting documentation. Repayment of the award is not a requirement unless the terms of the agreement are not met. Also, please refer to the Cost Limitations Section of the NOFA for more information.

Question #6: Pages 23-24 of the NOFA states that the implementation schedule will be "implemented on a five (5) year timeframe with Subrecipient Agreements of three (3) years to include an option to extend Agreements..." Should the program work plan be

presented in a 5-year time frame or a 3-year time frame?

Answer: The execution schedule will be implemented over a period of five (5) years through Agreements for a term of three (3) years that will include an option to extend the agreement based on the programmatic execution of the organization.

PRDOH asks that applications provide a schedule that extends the full five (5) years of their program.

However, please note that the term of the Agreement cannot exceed the lifetime of the initial Grant Agreement, unless the term of the initial Grant Agreement is extended by HUD, in which case the term of the Agreement cannot exceed the extension¹.

Question #7: CDBG-DR NOFA allows for an applicant to request indirect costs. Exhibit I: Budget Template does not provide a line item for indirect costs. Nevertheless, the template includes "utilities" as direct costs. The line specifically shows "Utilities/Servicios (agua, luz, etc.)" as direct cost items.

Where should items considered indirect costs be included in the Exhibit I Budget Template?

Answer: Include this in the Other Operating expenses section and include an estimate. Please note that you will need to establish your indirect rate with PRDOH, so this figure may change. You may apply the 10% de minimis Indirect rate against your proposed direct costs and add the indirect costs to the total direct costs.

There is information on establishing an Indirect Cost rate in SBIA Addendum 2.

Question #8: "2% of total budget for the program activity delivery costs and related PRDOH expenditures/2% del presupuesto para Costos Directos y Costos Relacionados Departamento de la Vivienda."

Is the 2% requirement (2% budget allocation for PRDOH) in addition to the total amount requested (Including indirect costs) or should the 2% be included in the total amount requested from PRDOH? How should this calculation be made since there are no imbedded formulas in the Excel document?

Answer: For now, the 2% should be included in your total budget proposal for the program (including Indirect costs). It should be calculated by taking your total proposed budget [Total Budget x 1.02.]

¹ The initial Grant Agreement was executed on September 20, 2018 for a period of six (6) years.

Please note that the 2% will be included in the \$2,500,000 program cap. Meaning that an eligible applicant who receives the the full \$2,500,000, will actually receive \$2,450,000. The remaining \$50,000 will be held for PRDOH activity delivery costs.

Question #9: Regarding the incubator and accelerator program, we do not currently operate as such, that is, we do not have specific experience providing this type of service. I ask: Would this detail make us ineligible?

Answer: Currently running an incubator or accelerator is not a mandatory requirement. However, if you do not currently run an incubator or accelerator you will need to demonstrate that you have the ability to do so. Please, refer to the Additional Eligibility Requirements section of the Program Guidelines. Further explanation of what is expected, and full scoring criteria can be found in the scoring Qualification's Section of the SBIA NOFA (Section 6.3).

Question #10: Can virtual training (online) be considered as the main educational and capacity building component (considering COVID 19)?

Answer: Yes, if the training can adequately be performed in an online format and if is designed to target Puerto Rican residents.

Question #11: Can "seed money" be included in the proposal for the companies that are in the incubator? If yes, would there be any cap for the amount per project / company?

Answer: No, program funds are not allowed to be used for funding of the program beneficiaries.

As per section 3.4 Eligible Use of Funds of the SBIA NOFA, reimbursement is available for eligible participant staff salaries, benefits, supplies, and travel costs that are directly associated with implementing the Program.

Question #12: The training structure includes, as advisers to the "new entrepreneurs", professional business consultants, professors, and university students who become their companions and mentors throughout the process (usually in their last year of university), can the payment of stipends for the basic expenses of these university mentors be considered in the proposal?

Answer: As per section 3.4 Eligible Use of Funds of the SBIA NOFA, reimbursement is available for eligible applicant staff salaries, benefits, supplies, and travel costs that are directly associated with implementing the Program. No flat dollar amount may be charged to the program in the form of a stipend, but direct costs incurred in the administration of the program are eligible for reimbursement.

Question #13: Can the proposal include an item for the dissemination and promotion of workshops and trainings?

Answer: Yes, subrecipients are allowed to do outreach and marketing for their program, which can provide basic information, though not direct support.

As per Section 3.4 Eligible Uses of Funds of the SBIA NOFA, eligible uses of funds include, recruitment activity costs that are allowable under federal cost principals and approved by PRDOH and, marketing of the Program, and securing eligible tenants and participants.

Question #14: Funding Opportunity Description: In accordance with the PRDOH Action Plan, as amended, the SBIA Program was assigned thirty five million dollars (\$35,000,000) of CDBG-DR funds and currently has nine million dollars (\$9,000,000) in available funds. However, because funds are provided through various allocations as detailed in the Action Plan approved by HUD, availability is subject to HUD's release of such funds. PRDOH reserves the right to award selected Applicants in accordance with funds made available by HUD and based on any applicable statutory constraint at the time of award issuance. Under the conditions of this NOFA, it is the intent of PRDOH to award grant funds to eligible incubator and/or accelerator firm Applicants in an individual award amount not to exceed two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000).

Does this limit the total number of awards to the \$9 million available, and if so, will there be additional proposal rounds to access the full assigned amount of \$35 million?

Answer: Yes, the current funding is limited to nine million dollars (\$9,000,000). However, the selection of Applicants will be based on the complete funds assigned to the Program (\$35,000,000); however, initial awarding will be subject to the amount of funds available to the PRDOH at the moment of selection and award, as included in this document. Therefore, resulting Subrecipient Agreements entered into with awarded Applicants will be amended to the extent modifications in award quantities for each project are necessary when additional funds become available to the PRDOH. Keep in mind that HUD is authorized to change this amount.

Question #15: I see that authorized non-profit and for-profit entities are eligible for this program. Can you explain, for this program, what is an authorized for-profit company?

Answer: Eligibility requirements for for-profit entities are described under 24 CFR § 570.201(o). The full regulation can be found here:

https://www.govregs.com/regulations/expand/title24_chapterV_part570_subpartC_section570.201

Amendments to NOFA Sections:

The Funding Opportunity Description under the Funding Announcement Summary of the NOFA is hereby revised to read as follows and such changes shall be considered by Applicants:

“Funding Opportunity Description: In accordance with the PRDOH Action Plan, as amended, the SBIA Program was assigned thirty five million dollars (\$35,000,000) of CDBG-DR funds and currently has nine million dollars (\$9,000,000) in available funds. However, because funds are provided through various allocations as detailed in the Action Plan approved by HUD, availability is subject to HUD’s release of such funds. The selection of Applicants will be based on the complete funds assigned to the Program; however, initial awarding will be subject to the amount of funds available to the PRDOH at the moment of selection and award, as included in this document. Therefore, resulting Subrecipient Agreements entered into with awarded Applicants will be amended to the extent modifications in award quantities for each project are necessary when additional funds become available to the PRDOH. PRDOH reserves the right to award selected Applicants in accordance with funds made available by HUD and based on any applicable statutory constraint at the time of award issuance. Under the conditions of this NOFA, it is the intent of PRDOH to award grant funds to eligible incubator and/or accelerator firm Applicants in an individual award amount not to exceed two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000).”

Section 3.1 Program Description of the NOFA is hereby revised to read as follows and such changes shall be considered by Applicants:

“3.1 Program Description

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Additional funds may become available for award as a result of PRDOH’s efforts to recapture unused funds, carryover funds, or availability of additional appropriated funds. Use of these funds is subject to statutory constraints. The funds announced in this NOFA are provided through various allocations as detailed in the Action Plan. Funding opportunities referenced in this NOFA, and all obligations of PRDOH herein, are expressly subject to and conditioned upon the ongoing availability of funds, as well as the continued authority of PRDOH to operate the CDBG Program. The selection of Applicants will be based on the complete funds assigned to the Program; however, initial awarding will be subject to the amount of funds available to the PRDOH at the moment of selection and award, which is included in this document. Therefore, resulting Subrecipient Agreements entered into with awarded Applicants will be amended to the extent modifications in award quantities for each project are necessary when additional funds become available to the PRDOH. In the event that funds are not available to fund any, or all, activities offered herein, or if PRDOH’s authority to operate the CDBG-DR Program

or act under this NOFA is eliminated, or in any way restricted, PRDOH reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to amend, rescind, suspend, or terminate this NOFA and any associated funding pursuant to the provisions set forth immediately above. This NOFA is not a commitment of funds to any activity or Applicant.

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Section 3.4 Eligible Use of Funds of the NOFA is hereby revised to read as follows and such changes shall be considered by Applicants:

" 3.4 Eligible Use of Funds

Program funding will be provided to implement various services or coordination of activities as listed below:

- Technical assistance related to small business Incubation/acceleration as defined in the Program Guidelines and including but not limited to the following:
 1. Recruitment activity costs that are allowable under federal cost principals and approved by PRDOH;
 2. Marketing of the Program and securing eligible tenants and participants;
 3. Screening and capacity assessment of participant businesses;
 4. Mentoring, instruction, and certification of participants;
 5. Subrecipient staff salaries, benefits, supplies, and travel costs that are directly associated with implementing the Program. Travel costs will be reimbursed in compliance with Federal regulations.
- Architectural, engineering, and design costs for construction related to rehabilitation or new construction of an incubator /accelerator space.
- Operational costs including but not limited to utilities, maintenance, and equipment for incubators/accelerators or business within. These may include but are not limited to the following:
 1. Management of the physical development and operation of the incubator facility, such as personal computers, copiers, facsimile, conference rooms, labs, etc.;
 2. Materials, equipment, supplies, and other materials necessary for participants to complete business Incubation/acceleration;
 3. Rent and utilities that are directly related to executing the Program;
 4. Software and instructional materials for training and educational purposes. All purchased materials and supplies will need to be acquired through proper procurement procedures as defined by PRDOH, found at CDBG-DR website;
- Acquisition, preservation, renovation, or rehabilitation, or construction of existing buildings for use as small business incubators/accelerators.
- Non-Profit assistance and Microenterprise assistance.

- Indirect costs.²

Section 3.6 Eligible Use of Funds of the NOFA is hereby revised to read as follows and such changes shall be considered by Applicants:

“Section 3.6 Number of Awards and Maximum Award Information

PRDOH estimates that at least one (1) or more awards may be issued. Maximum number of awards will be determined by the amount of funds available for the Program and the responses received. All awards are subject to the applicable funding restrictions contained in this NOFA.

- Maximum Initial Award Amount: Applicants are eligible to receive no more than two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000). This maximum award includes all services funded under all Program Options as described herein.
- Award Adjustments: PRDOH reserves the right to adjust funding levels for each grantee. Once Applicants are selected for award, PRDOH will determine the total amount to be awarded based upon the scope of services to be provided, funds available, and other factors that PRDOH may determine. Applicant selection will be based on the complete funds assigned to the Program; however, initial awarding will be subject to the amount of funds available to the PRDOH at the moment of selection and award, which is included in this document. Therefore, resulting Subrecipient Agreements entered into with awarded Applicants will be amended to the extent modifications in award quantities for each project are necessary when additional funds become available to the PRDOH.”

Section 7.1 Evaluation Committee, Selection and Award of the NOFA is hereby revised to add an additional paragraph that reads as follows and such changes shall be considered by Applicants:

“Section 7.1 Evaluation Committee, Selection and Award

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The selection of Applicants will be based on the complete funds assigned to the Program; however, initial awarding will be subject to the amount of funds available to the PRDOH

² Indirect costs are defined as those costs incurred for a common or joint purpose benefitting more than one cost objective, and not readily assignable to the cost objectives specifically benefitted, without effort disproportionate to the results achieved. For major nonprofit organizations, those which receive more than ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) in direct federal funding, indirect costs are classified within two (2) broad categories: Facilities and Administration. 2 C.F.R. § 200.56; 2 C.F.R. § 200.414

at the moment of selection and award, which is included in this document. Therefore, resulting Subrecipient Agreements entered into with awarded Applicants will be amended to the extent modifications in award quantities for each project are necessary when additional funds become available to the PRDOH.”



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