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# Notice of Availability of Funds 2024 RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT GRANT

The District Attorneys Council (DAC) and the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant Board announces the availability of the 2024 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Grant. An allocation amount for the State of Oklahoma has not been received from the Bureau of Justice Assistance. At least 10 percent of the allocation shall be made available to local and tribal correctional and detention facilities, for either residential substance abuse treatment programs in jails and aftercare services, or to initiate or continue evidence-based SUD treatment programs in pretrial populations. Last year's award total was \$850,062 and it is expected the 2024 amount will be similar.

All awards are contingent on the receipt of the Grant Award Notice from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Office of Justice Programs, and United States Department of Justice.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of these funds is to assist state, local, and tribal efforts to increase access to evidence-based prevention and SUD treatment and reduce overdose deaths. Given the strong nexus between substance use and mental health disorders in prisons and jails, BJA is committed to ensuring that RSAT Program funding be used to treat underlying mental health disorders in addition to SUDs. BJA also encourages the inclusion of any of the three FDA-approved MAT options as part of any substance use or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorder treatment program for individuals incarcerated in the nation's prisons and jails.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for the RSAT Grant funding, an applicant must be one of the following:

- A state agency;
- A unit of local government (i.e., city, county, town); or,
- A federally recognized Indian tribal government as determined by the Secretary of the Interior.

#### **UNIQUE ENTITY IDENTIFIER (UEI)**

All applicants are required to include a UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) number in their application. A UEI is the standard for identifying and keeping track of entities receiving federal funds. For more information or to register with SAM, go to <a href="https://www.sam.gov">https://www.sam.gov</a>.

#### Applications without a UEI number will not be reviewed.

# **REQUIREMENTS**

RSAT funds may be used to implement three (4) types of programs: 1) Prison-based residential SUD treatment, 2) Jail-based residential SUD treatment, 3) Aftercare, 4) Jail-based pretrial SUD treatment programs.

#### Residential SUD treatment programs in prisons must meet all of the following criteria:

- 1. Engage individuals with SUD or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders for a period of between 6 and 12 months.
- 2. Require periodic and random drug testing of individuals while they are in the program and under community supervision.
- 3. Establish a therapeutic community (i.e., program participants are set apart from the general population).
- 4. Provide aftercare services.

#### Residential SUD treatment programs in jails must meet all of the following criteria:

- 1. Engage individuals with SUD or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders for at least 3 months.
- 2. Require periodic and random drug testing of individuals while they are in the program and under community supervision.
- 3. Make every effort to establish a therapeutic community (i.e., program participants are set apart from the general population).
- 4. Provide aftercare services.

**Jail-based pretrial SUD treatment programs** that initiate or continue evidence-based SUD treatment programs, including medication-assisted treatment, in pretrial populations during their confinement and/or foster connections to SUD treatment in the community upon pretrial release. Programs supporting pre-trial populations do not need to meet the above criteria for jail-based residential SUD treatment programs.

**Aftercare services** include case management and the full continuum of recovery and aftercare services to support people released from a residential SUD treatment program, which may include human service and rehabilitation programs such as education and job training, parole supervision, recovery or transitional housing, peer support programs, and other recovery support services.

To qualify as an aftercare program, the head of the SUD must work in conjunction with state and local authorities and organizations involved in substance use disorder treatment to place program participants into community substance use disorder treatment facilities upon their release. In addition, states should coordinate these activities with any Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)-funded state or local programs that address the needs of this target population. A state may use amounts received for nonresidential substance use treatment aftercare if the chief executive officer of the state certifies that the state is providing, and will continue to provide, an adequate level of residential treatment services.

### Rural and Tribal Areas

The DOJ strongly encourages supporting programs in rural and tribal areas.

#### **Evidence-based Programs or Practices**

OJP strongly encourages the use of data and evidence in policymaking and program development for criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services. BJA also encourages the provision of the three FDA-approved medications to treat substance use disorder along with counseling and behavioral therapies (sometimes referred to as medication-assisted treatment or MAT) as part of any evidence-based substance use or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorder treatment program for individuals with a substance use disorder, including alcohol and opioid use disorder, that are incarcerated or detained in the nation's prisons or jails.

Proposals <u>must</u> directly support the need to reduce overdose deaths and support increased access to evidence-based SUD treatment and recovery support services in the corrections population.

#### **AWARD PERIOD**

The award period for this grant will be October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2026. However, the federal granting agency determines the award periods, and these dates can change. The applicant may choose to write their grant application for a one-year period.

#### INDIRECT COST RATE

Organizations, including both a) non-profit agencies and b) state and local units of government and federally recognized tribal governments that receive less than \$35 million in direct federal funding AND **do not** have a current negotiated an indirect cost rate with a cognizant agency, may elect to use a de minimis indirect cost rate of between 1 and 15 percent. Documentation of this decision must be kept on file.

State and local units of government, and federally recognized tribal governments receiving between \$35 million and \$125 million in direct federal funding that have never negotiated an indirect cost rate, and any non-profit organization (regardless of how much federal funding is received) that have never negotiated an indirect cost rate must submit an indirect cost rate proposal to their cognizant agency for approval. For some agencies, this may be the District Attorneys Council. Once the rate is approved, a copy of the agreement must be submitted with the application.

All organizations that currently have a negotiated indirect cost rate with a cognizant agency must indicate this in the application and submit a copy of the agreement.

A list of federal cognizant agencies can be found at: <a href="https://www.dol.gov/oasam/boc/dcd/dcd-agency-list.htm">https://www.dol.gov/oasam/boc/dcd/dcd-agency-list.htm</a>

For more information on indirect costs, see 2 CFR Part 200 at: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200 main 02.tpl

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The Federal Grants Division, the governing RSAT Board, and the applicant must maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the performance of

its employees engaged in the selection, award, and administration of awards. No employee, officer, or agent must participate in the selection, award, or administration of an award supported by a federal award if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest would arise when the employee, officer, agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a financial or other interest in or a tangible personal benefit from an entity considered for a contract/award. The officers, employees, and agents of the Federal Grants Division, the governing RSAT Board, and the applicant must neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts. The standards of conduct must provide for disciplinary actions to be applied for violations of such standards by officers, employees, or agents of the non-Federal entity.

#### **MATCH**

Federal funds awarded under this program may not cover more than 75 percent of the total cost of the project. Applicants must identify the source of the 25 percent non-federal portion of the total project costs and how they will use match funds. If a successful applicant's proposed match exceeds the required match amount, an OJP approves the budget, the total match amount incorporated into the approved budget becomes mandatory and subject to audit. "Match" funds may be used only for purposes that would be allowable for the federal funds. Applicants may satisfy this match requirement with either cash or in-kind services. The formula for calculating the match is:

How To Calculate Match Formula					
Step 1	Award	÷	% of	=	Total (Adjusted)
	Amount		Federal		Project Cost
			Share		
Step 2	Total	X	% of	=	Required Match
	(Adjusted)		Recipient's		
	Project		Share		
	Cost				
Example					
Match Requirement – 75/25 (Federal Share/Recipient's Share)					
Federal Award = \$150,000					
Step 1	\$150,000	÷	75%	=	\$200,000
			Federal		
			Share		
Step 2	\$200,000	X	25%	=	\$50,000
·			Recipient's		
			Share		

# **TO MAKE APPLICATION**

Applications for the RSAT Program are only available through the OKGrants Online System and will be **available by June 10, 2024**. Applications must be completed and submitted through this online system.

To access OKGrants, an applicant must create an account and obtain a User ID and password. To obtain a User ID and password, go to: <a href="https://grants.ok.gov">https://grants.ok.gov</a> and click on "New User." Fill out the profile (user information) and wait for an OKGrants system administrator at DAC to activate the account. Once you are activated and logged into the system, a

training manual is available (click on "My Training Materials") to assist you through the application process.

# **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION**

The deadline to submit the application is **11:59 p.m., July 5th, 2024.** The OKGrants Online System will not allow an application to be submitted after this time and date. Proposals received via mail, hand delivery, fax machine, or portable drive will not be reviewed.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For further information, contact Cassandra Obi, Grant Programs Specialist, Oklahoma District Attorneys Council, at 405-264-5008 or Cassandra.obi@dac.state.ok.us