



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

FISCAL YEAR 2017

DC Environmental Literacy Advancement Grant (ELAG)

Announcement Date: July 29, 2016

Request for Applications (RFA) Release Date: Aug. 12, 2016

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE), Division of Health and Wellness, is soliciting applications for the District of Columbia Environmental Literacy Advancement Grant pursuant to the Environmental Literacy Program Amendment Act of 2016, amending the Healthy Schools Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-209; D.C. Code § 38-825.02). The Act establishes an environmental literacy program within OSSE to promote environmental literacy in DC public schools and requires OSSE to establish an Environmental Literacy Leadership Cadre, comprised of teachers from DC public schools, which shall be responsible for implementing the DC Environmental Literacy Plan in accordance with OSSE guidance. The purpose of the grant is to increase the capacity of nonprofit and community-based organizations (CBOs) to provide environmental education programs to District schools represented in the 2016 Environmental Literacy Leadership Cadre.

Eligibility: OSSE will make this grant available through a competitive process. Eligible applicants must be nonprofits or CBOs with 501(c)(3) status.

Award Period: The grant period begins Oct. 3, 2016 and ends on Sept. 30, 2017.

Available Funding for Award: The total funding available for this award period is \$350,000.

An external review panel or panels will be convened to review, score, and rank each application. The review panel(s) will be composed of neutral, qualified, professional individuals selected for their expertise, knowledge or related experiences. The application will be scored against a rubric and application will have multiple reviewers to ensure accurate scoring. Upon completion of its review, the panel(s) shall make recommendations for awards based on the scoring rubric(s). OSSE's Division of Health and Wellness will make all final award decisions.

For additional information regarding this grant competition, please contact:

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The RFA and all supporting documents will be available on <http://grants.osse.dc.gov> or by contacting Grace Manubay at Grace.Manubay@dc.gov.

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