American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief – Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-Homeless II) Fund

Allocation Grants

The American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief – Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-Homeless II) Fund supports local educational agencies (LEAs) and consortia of LEAs to identify children and youth experiencing homelessness, provide wraparound services to address the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and ensure that children and youth experiencing homelessness are able to attend school and participate fully in school activities. OSSE received funding through this program and eligible LEAs may now apply in the Enterprise Grants Management System (EGMS). Applications close on June 3, 2022, at 3 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

Eligible LEAs receive ARP-Homeless II allocations based on a federal formula that considers the LEA’s proportional share of homeless children and youth identified and Title I, Part A allocation for the 2019-20 school year. If an LEA did not receive an SY2019-20 Title I Part A allocation, the ARP-Homeless II allocation will be based only on the number of homeless children and youth identified by the LEA. The period of availability for this grant is March 13, 2020, through Sept. 30, 2024, including the 12-months Tydings period.

A unique feature of the ARP-Homeless II program is that LEAs that receive an allocation less than $5,000 must form a consortium with other LEAs to participate. Consortia may be formed with other LEAs with awards under $5,000 or with an LEA whose award is above $5,000. For all consortia applications, one LEA must serve as the fiscal agent for all LEAs in its consortium.

As a result of this unique grant design, there are different paths to consider regarding participation in the ARP-Homeless II grant program:

**LEA Allocation is Above $5,000**
- Applying with No Consortia Partners: If your LEA’s allocation is above $5,000 and you plan to apply individually (i.e., will not enter into a consortium with other LEAs) you may simply complete an EGMS application.
- Applying with Consortia Partners: If you will serve as the lead and fiscal agent for other LEAs with smaller allocations (under $5,000), see more below on next steps.
- Not Applying: If you do not plan to apply for your LEA’s allocation, please notify OSSE via the Notice of Intent Form and indicate your decision via EGMS so the funds may be reallocated to others.

**LEA Allocation is Below $5,000**
- Applying with Consortia Partners (see more details below)
- Not Applying: If you do not plan to apply for your LEA’s allocation, please notify OSSE via the Notice of Intent Form and indicate your decision via EGMS so the funds may be reallocated to others.

**Next Step for LEAs Interested in Consortia Partners**
- Preliminary allocations are available on OSSE’s website, and OSSE will provide the following supports to LEAs that desire to form consortia to apply: Eligible LEAs will receive a memo and Notice of Intent form via email later this month.
LEAs should complete and submit the Notice of Intent form to HEP.OSSE@dc.gov by May 6, 2022, to confirm that they will participate in this grant program and, if so, indicate interest in participating in a consortium.

OSSE will publish a list of all LEAs interested in forming a consortium by May 13, 2022.

LEAs may then self-select into consortia and must submit a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and Joint Consortium Plan to OSSE by May 20, 2022.

OSSE will host two virtual technical assistance (TA) sessions for LEAs that are interested in learning more about ARP-Homeless II Consortia and two pre-application TA sessions for all LEAs to learn more about ARP-Homeless II Formula Grants and the submission process. Dates and registration information for these TA sessions are below. Sessions 1 and 2 will include the same content.

- Consortium TA session 1: April 8, 2022, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Join here.
- Consortium TA session 2: April 13, 2022, 1-3 p.m. - Join here.
- Pre-application TA session 1: April 21, 2022, 2-4 p.m. - Join here.
- Pre-application TA session 2: May 13, 2022, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Join here.

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