



Measure A Competitive Grant Programs
Recreation Access
Youth and Veterans Job Training & Placement
Questions and Answers

RPOSD will be accepting questions regarding Measure A competitive funding opportunities until August 15th, 2022 on or before 5:00pm. Submissions will be collected, answered, and compiled into a list of "Questions & Answers" (Q&A). Email your questions to info@rposd.lacounty.gov with the name of the Competitive Grant Program that your question pertains to in the subject line. Please be sure to check the website (RPOSD.LACounty.gov) on August 18, 2022, for Answers to all Questions that were submitted by the deadline date.

GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. **Question:** What does RPOSD mean when it comes to a program participant recruitment and completion plan?

Response: RPOSD is looking for a plan that describes how the applicant recruited or will recruit and secure participants for the program stated in the application.

2. **Question:** What defines an expansion/enhancement of an existing program? In other words, what is the definition of an expansion/enhancement of a program?

Response: The RPOSD definition of an expansion/enhancement to an existing program can include any of these elements: 1) an increase in the number of program participants; 2) an increase in the number of program locations; 3) an increase in the number of program activities; or 4) an increase in program frequency (dates the program is available for participants). For specific examples, refer to the Power Point Presentation and/or the Workshop Videos on the website.

3. **Question:** Are stipends an eligible project cost?

Response: No, stipends are not eligible for reimbursement with Measure A funds.

Stipends are not eligible for reimbursement. Stipends would include monies paid in the form of gratuities, gift cards, or other forms of compensation to offset expenses incurred by non-

employees. These funds are typically paid to individuals that do not receive a regular salary in exchange for the duties they perform.

4. **Question:** What is the eligible age range for youth in RPOSD's Recreation Access and Youth and Veterans Job Training and Placement Programs?

Response: There is no age limit for the Recreation Access Program and the eligible age range for the Youth & Veterans Job Training and Placement Program is 18 to 25 years old.

5. **Question:** In determining what application to use, if it is an existing program, does that mean that RPOSD has funded the program previously, or that the program has existed prior to applying for funding through RPOSD?

Response: It means the program existed prior to applying for funding through RPOSD.

6. **Question:** Can nonprofits apply that are in partnership with a regional park?

Response: Yes, 501(c)3 nonprofits are eligible applicants, but please review the "Types of Eligible Applicants" section of the grant guidelines for the program you are applying to.

7. **Question:** Our project location is in a lower need area but will serve school children from throughout the county. How do we determine its need level?

Response: A project/program located in, or immediately adjacent to, a High or Very High Need area qualifies for additional points as indicated in Question 1 of the Level of Need Evaluation Criteria. In addition, a project/program may qualify for additional points subject to Question 2 of the Level of Need Evaluation Criteria if the project/program intends to recruit participants from High and Very High Need areas and documentation (Recruitment Plan) supports that the project/program will serve those areas.

8. **Question:** Our organization is interested in the RPOSD Recreation Access Competitive Grant Program and had a question regarding the application. *(This question also pertains to Youth & Veteran Job Training and Placement applications.)*

Pg. 19 of the Guidelines states that eligible applicants are required to upload a Community Engagement Plan and supporting documentation to GMS as part of their grant application. However, I do not see anywhere in the GMS application to upload these items. Is there a particular place in GMS where applicants should upload these materials?

Response: A Support Documents section with upload fields has been added to the Community Outreach and Engagement form in the Recreation Access and the Youth & Veteran Job Training and Placement applications.

RECREATION ACCESS QUESTIONS

9. **Question:** Would a school district who shares property with a city park be eligible to apply for this competitive grant funding to install an age appropriate play area for a Universal Pre-Kindergarten Center?

Response: No. Neither the Recreation Access or the Youth and Veteran Job Training and Placement Programs provide funding for the installation of permanent play areas. The funding is earmarked towards programming.

10. **Question:** Are park facility renovations eligible, or is funding limited to recreation programming activities that promote access?

Response: A park facility renovation project is not eligible, as these funds are for programming and not renovations or improvements.

11. **Question:** May an entity apply (and potentially be awarded) for both RPOSD Rec Access and Metro Rec Access?

Response: Yes, an eligible applicant may apply and potentially be awarded for both RPOSD Rec Access and Metro Rec Access, however, RPOSD will not reimburse for costs that are to be reimbursed by Metro.

12. **Question:** If our grant proposal is largely for the RPOSD, but we have items that may fit the Metro portion. Do we apply for both or together?

Response: In this situation you are encouraged to apply for both programs by submitting a separate application for each program.

13. **Question:** Our organization is interested in the RPOSD Recreation Access Competitive Grant Program and had a question regarding the application.

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YOUTH & VETERAN JOB TRAINING & PLACEMENT

14. **Question:** We plan to propose an apprenticeship type program for the Youth and Veterans Grant opportunity. In this project we would train and hire youth. Can you confirm that the youth personnel costs (full-time and part-time), as opposed to stipends, are an eligible cost in this grant?

Response: Youth personnel costs (full-time and part-time) are an eligible cost for the Program. Personnel costs (specifically salary or wages) must conform to Section 3.4.4. of the GAM.

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