FAQ 4/11 & 4/13

Q: What has changed in the RFP and/or process since round one?

A: A fifth target neighborhood – Northeast – has been added (see map on website). The four neighborhoods that are not being served by round one applicants will be given priority in round two. Also, to encourage partnerships across organizations working on the same project (either across multiple subgrantees or with contractors), additional points for partnerships has been added to the rubric used for application review.

Q: Recruitment was mentioned as a priority at the Bidders' Conference. What do we need to include?

A: Please describe the methods and tools that you will use to identify, attract, and retain enrolled your target number of families in the program.

Q: What needs to be included under program leadership in the program description section of the RFP?

A: Describe the current leadership of the organization and planned leadership for the program itself. Identify any potential leadership changes and be specific about your plans for those transitions.

Q: How do we identify organizations with whom we could potentially partner?

A: At http://www.uwci.org/great-families-2020-important-documents there is a contact list of high quality early childhood education providers and a list of Centers for Working Families.

Q: What does it mean to serve the "whole family?"

A: Subgrantees will be providing services for both the child (ages 0-5) and the custodial parent/caregiver of that child simultaneously. UWCI encourages subgrantees to use a coaching model to engage the family in setting a vision and goals for itself and to provide support and accountability over time to meet those goals. Strong applications will describe how the program will integrate the services (early childhood education, postsecondary pathways, economic assets, health & wellness, and social capital) for children and adults across organizations.

Q: Why do you collect social security numbers?

A: Only the last four digits of the client's social security number is collected and it is used as an ID only. If a client is unable to give their social security number, another ID can be assigned.

Q: Do we need to resubmit the data survey if we already submitted it during round one?

A: No, if you have already submitted a data survey during round one you do not need to resubmit.

Q: If we are awarded in September, when do you expect subgrantees to be serving families?

A: There will be a ramp up period from September 1-December 31. Programs should be fully operational and data collection beginning by January 1, 2018.

Q: Is flexible spending for families and allowable expense?

A: Yes, organizations may budget to use funds as barrier busters or flexible spending for families to help them through a crisis or provide incentive for success.

Q: When will the site visits be?

A: Site visits will take place June 26-28. Please make sure that members of your team are available during these dates. Specific times will be scheduled in early June.

Q: How does housing stability fit into the Two Gen model?

A: Housing is a small but mighty part of the Two Gen model under economic assets. The full model can be seen on the Ascend graphic included in the Bidders' Conference PowerPoint. Housing stability is an important part of financial stability and should be included in applicants' overall program design.

Q: Is the Client Information & Demographics list provided in the Bidders' Conference PowerPoint a list of data requirements?

A: No. This is an ideal list, but at a minimum we need the clients name, address, race, and gender.

Q: Did all three of the partners in the Near East group that was awarded in Round One apply together or separately?

A: Boner, Daystar, and Little Dove submitted one narrative that explained their joint program design and separate attachments including budget and budget narratives.

Q: Do you collect data separately from each subgrantee or does one subgrantee handle it?

A: In a joint application, multiple subgrantees applying together will need to describe in the program narrative how they will collect data. This can be a shared task across organizations but all subgrantees must collect and report data.

Q: Have the TA Sessions been scheduled?

A: Yes. They are May 1, 2017 at 2 pm and May 24, 2017 at 9 am. Both will be held at United Way of Central Indiana at 2955 N Meridian Street, Suite 300.