



### **Questions from December 28, 2022**

- Q. The timeline provided is a very quick turnaround for any submission process, let alone for an RFP released two days prior to most organizations' holiday breaks. Is there any chance the deadline for submission may be pushed back, so respondents have more than 15 business days to collaborate and draft a proper response?
- A. The timeline follows the Federal RFP guidelines and fits the schedule of the SMWDP Board for final decision and contracting. **The submittal deadline is updated to January 20 at 3:00. Proposals and questions should be submitted to the assigned GJC Grant Manager at [barbb@cantonchamber.org](mailto:barbb@cantonchamber.org)**
- Q. The RFP lists two different deadlines. On page one it states responses are due January 13, 2023 at 3pm and on page 6 (timeline section) it states the proposal deadline is January 16, 2023 at 3pm. Which is the correct deadline?
- A. **The submittal deadline is updated to January 20 at 3:00.** Proposals should be submitted to the assigned GJC Grant Manager [barbb@cantonchamber.org](mailto:barbb@cantonchamber.org)
- Q. Will proposals be accepted/considered after the listed deadline? (Page 7 of the RFP states "Late responses **may** be deemed unresponsive.")
- A. Late proposal submittals will **not** be considered for contracted services and will be deemed unresponsive to the RFP.
- Q. Can answers to submitted questions can be shared sooner than one day prior to the submission deadline? (Perhaps, updates can be shared on an at least weekly basis as they come in, so all proposals can benefit from information shared?)
- A. A running list of Q and A's will be distributed periodically during the open RFP process. Best efforts will be made to answer questions and transmit answers by the next business day from receipt of questions. **The last day to submit written questions will be January 18 at 3:00 pm.** Distribution of the last set of Q and A's will be January 19.



- Q. Does an organization have to fulfill ALL areas of the “Scope of Work for Community Based Organizations for the SCMWDP RFP” in order to be considered for a subaward? Or is it possible to provide only one/a few area(s) of services and budget accordingly? (For example, if you are an organization that provides workforce training, can you propose a project that provides such training, even if you are not able to guarantee job placement and career coaching and do not provide those services? Or, would an applicant organization have to find partners who could fulfill all other elements of the scope, in order to apply for funding?)
- A. An organization can submit on only one part of the required services if desired. An organization can submit as an individual and also as a part of a team with other organizations. An organization can be part of multiple teams and multiple submittals.
- Q. Will SCMWDP be awarding multiple subawards? Or are you hoping to award all funding in one contract/to one applicant? (It was hard to tell based on the wording on page 8 of the RFP in the “contract award” section.)
- A. The SCMWDP may award one contract or may award multiple contracts. The award of contracts will be dependent on the review and evaluation of the proposals.

**Questions from January 17, 2023**

- Q. Are we to provide a per candidate cost or do you want an aggregate budget for the number of participants served?
- A. Depending on the services provided, a cost per candidate for completion of certain benchmarks or programs is acceptable.