



Request for Proposals

Southern Alliance 2.0: Addressing COVID-19 Among African American and Non-Hispanic Black Communities through Capacity Building Assistance

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Questions and Answers

Q. This RFP is to fund an individual faculty, correct? Not a team of faculty?

A. This funding is not exclusive to faculty. It is expected that the services reflect the contribution of a single entity per award. Therefore, it is not necessary for a team to apply. Seven entities will be funded under this award.

Q. The Budget template provided includes travel, supplies, etc. However, should the only expense be to fully fund the faculty? Or could a graduate student be hired and provided with a stipend? Given the virtual nature of this opportunity, I couldn't think of supplies beyond things I already have access to or own (ie. PC, Zoom, headphones, books, Stata, Nvivo). I know the CBOs are responding to a separate RFP and will have their own line items.

A. The proposal should be written to adequately address the deliverables outlined in the RFP. Justification for all supplies, travel, personnel, etc. needed to complete project deliverables should be included in the *Budget Narrative* and accounted for on the appropriate budget line of the *Budget – Template*.

Q. For EIN/Tax ID would that be our organizational Tax-ID, or personal social security number? If I apply for an LLC to get an EIN, would that be more appropriate?

A. The EIN should be completed only if the applicant is using their business and business credentials for the proposal. If using an assumed or trade name i.e., “doing business as” (DBA) an EIN is not required at this time. Social Security Numbers are not requested or required for the application submission.

Q. If you have any insights regarding the Foundation's definition of "academic affiliation with one or more HBCU" required to submit a proposal for these funds, please provide it.

A. For the purpose of this funding, academic affiliation signifies an individual with direct and official connection with an academic institution designated as a Historically Black College or University (HBCU). Affiliation with an HBCU should reflect active status in service, attendance, research, practice, teaching, consulting, and/or contracting. Direct hires, current students, board members, researchers, practitioners, consultants, and contractors are included in the framing of this definition.