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New York State 2023 Urban Farms and Community Gardens Grant Program Agency: Agriculture & Markets, NYS Dept. of Division: Contracts & Purchasing Contract Number: RFP0280 CR Number: 2092212

Description

Date of Issue:

Title:

11/09/2022

Due Date/Time:
 01/10/2023 4:00 PM

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= Countv(ies);

All NYS counties

Classification(s):

Miscellaneous -Consulting & Other Services

Opportunity Type:

Grant or notice of funds availability

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets (the "Department") is pleased to announce the availability of funds for of the Urban Farms and Community Gardens Competitive Grants Program. Applications for funding must conform to the format provided in the Grants Gateway. APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED via the Grants Gateway to be considered for funding. Faxed, mailed, or e-mailed applications will not be accepted. The name for this opportunity is "2023 New York State Urban Farms and Community Gardens Program" and the Grant Opportunity ID is AGM01-UFC23-2023.

Updates

Documents

Proposals are due on January 10, 2023 at 4:00PM. Late proposals will not be accepted.

The Urban Farms and Community Gardens Grant Program will have funds available through a competitive process to support the development and expansion of community gardens, school gardens and urban farms across the state. The Commissioner, in consultation with the New York State Community Gardens Task Force, has developed this grant program to recognize the important impacts of community growing spaces on food security and to promote the expansion and sustainability of these sites. This grant complements the work of the Department of Agriculture and Markets in providing technical assistance to community growing organizations statewide.

The grant program will fund projects for the development and enhancement of urban farms, school gardens, and community gardens. The Department is seeking feedback on the greatest needs and ways for this funding to create a lasting impact on local food resiliency.

Across New York State, there are over one thousand community growing spaces in both rural and urban landscapes, and there is demand to establish more and expand existing sites. Most community growing spaces are in underserved communities and often, the mission to grow one's own plot is to feed themselves. There is little capital to help maintain these plots. Similarly, coordinators of these spaces are often not-forprofits with limited support to expand and sustain capacity, develop infrastructure and secure reliable tenancy to the land. This grant program was established as a strategy to improve food security by making resources available to ensure the viability and sustainability of these community growing spaces.

Eligible applicants include:

- Not-for-profit organizations
- Not- for-profit Educational Institutions, including K-12 schools and universities
 - Municipal Government Entities
- Community-led groups can work with a fiscal sponsor to apply
- Indian tribal organizations

Applicants must be **registered and pre-qualified** in the Grants Gateway. Applicants who are not registered or whose document vaults have expired will be disqualified. See

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Public schools are exempt from pre-qualification.

B. Ineligible Applicants

The following entities are not eligible to apply for funding:

- 1. For-Profit organizations 2. Individuals
- Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Set Aside: No

Minority Owned Sub-Contracting Goal: 15%

Women Owned Sub-Contracting Goal: 15%

Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Contracting Goal: 6%

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Contract term: 5/1/2023-3/31/2024

County(ies): All NYS counties

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