

FAQ – Pregnancy Resource Center Grant

Q: Are we eligible for grant, if our center location is not in Arkansas, but we have a mobile unit?

A: No, the organization must be physically located within Arkansas. Mobile units would not qualify.

Q: We are a religious non-profit. Does the grant put any restrictions on religious activities?

A: The grant does not restrict religious activities; however, funds may only be used in support of the pregnant female. Funds may not be used to support religious activities. Clearly define in the grant application how funds will be used to service and support pregnant females separate from religious activities.

Q: Can we hire staff with the funds? If we hire a nurse with the funds, for example, is the nurse also allowed to give out religious information also?

A: Grant funds may only be used for the portion of costs that assist pregnant females. If a position will perform activities other than those that are delineated to assisting or encouraging females to give birth, then the position will need to be split between grant-funded activities and other non-grant funded activities.

Q: Will the requirements for this grant change over the course of the grant? I am concerned about losing funding over revised rules during course of grant.

A: The grant rules are promulgated into law and will remain the same for the duration of the grant.

Q: Can we use grant funds for food and beverages if it is for a baby shower?

A: No, food and beverages are not allowed

Q: Would advertising for this type of event be approved?

A: Advertising is an approved cost.

Q: Could PRCs partner funds for a television ad?

A: Each applicant will propose their own portion of advertising cost with clear explanation of plan to coordinate with others.

Q: Would compensating a Google rep to help us set up ad campaign on YouTube & Google be approved?

A: See previous answer above.

Q: Would compensating videographers for television ad be approved cost?

A: Contracts for professional services are allowed with clear explanation of use/benefit to serve pregnant females

- Q: Would compensating a healthcare professional and covering the cost the cost of ultrasound be allowable?
- A: Contracts for professional services are allowed with clear explanation of use/benefit to serve pregnant females (same as previous)
- Q: Does DFA-IGS have an audit process set up for this grant?
- A: DFA-IGS has not defined the audit process. Those procedures will be developed once grants are awarded based on the scope of funded projects.
- Q: Could funds be used to install and monitor a Safe Haven baby box?
- A: Specific requested items should be presented and explained in the application. Once the application is evaluated in full, determination will be made regarding proposed costs at that time.
- Q: Does PRC need to report the budget/financials for the entire organization or just the grant
- A: Financial Reports will only be required for the grant-funded project and not for the organization as a whole.
- Q: Page 5 of the instruction lists the required attachments. Are additional attachments such as budgets, line-item justifications, etc. allowable?
- A: You may attach additional items if needed.
- Q: Proposed Monthly Budget page 5-line item 9. Is the requirement for 9 separate monthly budgets with justification for each month. Or is a single spreadsheet with the total expenditures for the grant and with a breakdown of expenditures by month acceptable.
- A: The monthly budget anticipates spending per month – this will be used to calculate the advance payment amount. If your budget will vary per month, then calculate your full cost per item for 9 months, divided the totals by 9 to get the monthly amount per line item – this is the amount you will list in the budget form. You may include a spreadsheet if necessary.
- Q: Understanding that the budget justification should be by line item with a narrative description: Is it allowable to submit one justification for the full grant period or will one per month be required?
- A: One justification for the 9-month period is all that is expected; however each budgeted cost will have to be explained/justified.
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- A: You may attach additional items if needed.

Q: Would small equipment such as television sets that can be used for counseling videos be an allowed cost item? They are already planning on including supplies for the mothers such as car seats, diapers ect. Also, what about baby clothing such as sleep sacks, pajamas, and sleepers?

allowable?

A: Only those costs related to services provided to females during pregnancy will be allowable.

Q: Page 5, item 9 of the Proposal Application states, "Proposed monthly budget..." Is the requirement for 9 separate monthly budgets with justification for each month? Or is a single spreadsheet with the total expenditures for the grant and with a breakdown of expenditures by month acceptable.

A: The monthly budget anticipates expected spending per month – this will be used to calculate the advance payment amount. If your budget will vary per month then calculate you full cost per item for the 9 months, divided the totals by 9 to get the monthly amount per line item – this is the amount you will list in the budget form. You may include a spreadsheet if necessary.

Q: Understanding that the budget justification should be by line item with narrative description, is it allowable to submit one justification for the full grant period, or will one per month be required?

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Q: We are in need storage for items that are donated for us to give our clients. Does the grant allow for us to request funding to buy a storage shed to set on our property for storing these items?

A: The cost of storage and repairs would not qualify as direct services to pregnant females.

Q: Would the grant allow funding request for floors that were ruined because of a water leak?

A: The cost of storage and repairs would not qualify as direct services to pregnant females.

Q: Is marketing going to be allowable? Rent, Wifi, Computers, Social Media, etc.

A: Yes, these are all allowable as long as the application clearly show how each will be used to serve pregnant females.

Q: I'm wondering how to make your online application writable?

A: The PDF form is fillable. Once the form is completed, it will need to be printed, signed and scanned to send to DFA