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ADDENDUM 2

TO: Applicants
FROM: Carmelita Graham, Purchasing Specialist
RE: **Notice of Federal Financial Assistance
Funding Opportunity Number 205FL360N8103**

This addendum is to provide all potential applicants with answers to questions received in reference to the above notice of funding opportunity.

Question / Answer

- 1. The NOFO for the NSLP Equipment Grant from the USDA through FDACS states an applicant needs to register with SAM.gov to be eligible to apply for this program. Is the SFA required to do this or is this referring to FDACS?**

The SFA is required to register with SAM. Please contact your program representative for assistance.

- 2. What does it mean that an organization should have net cash resources balance less than 3 months average operating expenditures? Does this mean we should be operating for 3 months or that we should have 3-months' worth of operating expenses in reserves?**

Net Cash Resources are all Non-Profit Food Service Account (NPFSA) revenues that exceed the total amount of expenditures for the year. The NPFSA must not contain more than 3 months of net cash resources per 7 CFR 210. SFAs may have up to 3 months' worth of operating net cash resources in reserve to be in compliance with the regulation requirement in 7 CFR 210.

- 3. We are a new SFA beginning the program in January so our school's eligibility statistics have never been submitted to FDACS. Are we still eligible to receive points as a high-need school with over 50% of students eligible for free/reduced meals? The fact that we are a new SFA (without 3 months of operational expense records) impact our eligibility for getting this funding? Is there a full list of recommended equipment that will support alternative models for school breakfast service?**

During the evaluation process the October Data module in the Florida Automated Nutrition System is checked to verify your free and reduced-price percentages. If the data is not available, points will not be received unless your sponsor application list you as 50% or higher Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). You can discuss October Data and CEP with your program representative. Not having 3 months of net cash resources will increase your chance of being awarded the Equipment Assistance Grant. We do not provide a list of recommended equipment that will support alternative models for school breakfast. You may apply for any equipment you like if it follows the definition of equipment in the RFA and it pertains to improving food service for the NSLP.

4. Is it required to have a permit to cook in the building from the fire department?

This is not a question we are authorized to answer. Please contact your local fire department.

5. According to the application instructions, substitute forms will not be reviewed, and pages are not to be altered. But the Equipment Justification and Budget and Procurement forms do not print out an entire answer nor do the lines auto adjust the font size. Also, the equipment list form has certain fields that do not follow the same format as other fields. Such as: some focus area fields do not wrap and do not display the entire answer. What can be done to submit all the complete fields responses?

All forms must maintain the same format. If your answers cause you to have more pages this is allowed, but the format cannot be changed. You are allowed to change the font size and size so all information is formatted the same. However, you cannot delete or add rows or columns from the equipment list. You may duplicate the equipment list page if necessary. All forms have been reviewed and approved so all formatting functions for the sponsor to submit complete application.

All other terms, conditions and specifications of this Notice of Federal Financial Assistance will remain the same. If you have any questions regarding this addendum, please feel free to contact us at Bids@FDACS.gov.