
Memorandum

Date: October 20, 2025
To: All Interested Parties
From: Office of Suicide Prevention, Injury and Violence Prevention Branch
Subject: RFA 25-10360 Native Youth Suicide Prevention | Frequently Asked Questions

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- 1. As an Urban Indian Organization (e.g. Urban Indian Health Clinic), the organization's leadership is entirely or majority American Indian/Alaskan Native, but the majority of the patient population is not American Indian/Alaskan Native. Are we eligible to apply?**

Please see Addendum #1 for updated eligibility requirements related to this question, which states: "California public or private non-profit organizations serving and led by American Indian/Alaska Native communities (i.e. a majority of the service population **for this program** and Board of Directors or staff leadership are American Indian/Alaskan Native), with a permanent business in California or are qualified through the Secretary of State to do business in California, are eligible to apply for these funds. This includes but is not limited to Tribal Health Programs and Urban Indian Organizations." Therefore, an Urban Indian Organization whose leadership is entirely or majority American Indian/Alaskan Native and whose service population for the proposed Native Youth Suicide Prevention program is also American Indian/Alaskan Native would be eligible to apply.

Please ensure the applicant organization also meets the criteria outlined in Part C., Section C. Eligibility Requirements, item number 2. Minimum Requirements, on page 9 of the RFA. As noted in the RFA, successful applications will demonstrate organizational readiness and fit according to these requirements.

- 2. If your agency serves multiple counties. Can you request 1 proposal per county or is it 1 overall?**

Each organization may only submit one (1) application. For the purposes of this RFA, one "applicant" is equivalent to one "organization" or consortia, if applying as a Tribal Consortia. Part III, Section A. General Instructions, item number 6 on page 31 instructs applicants to "Submit one (1) RFA Application package in PDF format which includes all required exhibits, attachments, documentation and completed forms."

3. If our organization has a negotiated Indirect Cost rate, will that be approved to be included in the Budget?

Please see Addendum #2 for an updated maximum Indirect Cost Rate, which states: "The reimbursable rate for Indirect Costs must not exceed a maximum of 30.5% of the total budget. Indirect costs are expenses that are necessary for the general operation of an organization and are not specifically identified with a particular grant, project or activity (e.g., janitorial services, overhead costs, legal services), and are generally expressed as a percentage of total personnel costs plus fringe benefits." An Indirect Cost rate higher than 30.5% is not permissible.

4. A required document is proof of 501(c)(3) status but if we are a tribal government what document do you want? or just N/A?

No proof of government entity status is required at this time. Only nonprofit entities must submit proof of 501(c)(3) status with their application. Additional documentation of government status will be required as part of the contract negotiation process, if awarded.

5. My organization is governed by a consortium of three federally recognized tribes. We do not have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status. Are we eligible to apply?

A consortium governed by federally recognized tribes is eligible to apply if they are a nonprofit partnership, meaning they have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status, have registered with the state/IRS as a nonprofit, or have otherwise registered with their tribal governing board as nonprofit. If awarded, such entities will be required to provide evidence on nonprofit status during the contract negotiation period, if they have not already provided 501(c)(3) nonprofit status as part of their application.