DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools; Overview Information; Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2005

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.184N.

DATES: Applications Available: June 24, 2005.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: August 1, 2005.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: August 31, 2005.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education (IHEs) that offer an associate or baccalaureate degree. Additionally, an IHE must not have received an award under this grant competition (CFDA 84.184N) during the previous five fiscal years (fiscal years 2000 through 2004).

Estimated Available Funds: \$750,000. Contingent upon the availability of funds and the quality of applications, we may make additional awards in FY 2006 based on the list of unfunded applications from this competition.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$50,000–\$125,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$75,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 10.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 15 months.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: We seek to support projects addressing high-risk drinking and drug use which can become practical models for replication and adaptation in other college communities. The goals of this program are to identify models of effective campus-based alcohol and other drug prevention programs and disseminate information about these programs to other colleges and universities where similar efforts may be adopted.

Priority: This priority is from the notice of final priority and eligibility requirements for this program, published elsewhere in this issue of the Federal Register.

Absolute Priority: For FY 2005 and any subsequent year in which we make awards on the basis of the list of unfunded applications from this competition, this priority is an absolute priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3) we consider only applications that meet this priority.

This priority is: Under this priority the Department provides funding to Institutions of higher education (IHEs) that have been implementing effective alcohol and other drug prevention programs on their campuses. An IHE that receives funding under this priority must identify, enhance, further evaluate, and disseminate information about an effective alcohol or other drug prevention program being implemented on its campus. To meet the priority, applicants must provide in their application—

(1) A description of an alcohol or other drug prevention program that has been implemented for at least two full academic years on the applicant's campus;

(2) Evidence of the effectiveness of the program on the applicant's campus;

(3) A plan to enhance and further evaluate the program during the project period; and

(4) A plan to disseminate information to assist other IHEs in implementing a similar program.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7131. Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 84, 85, 86, 97, 98, 99, and 299.

(b) The notice of final priority and eligibility requirements, published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.

II. Award Information

Type of Award: Discretionary Grants. Estimated Available Funds: \$750,000. Estimated Range of Awards: \$50,000–\$125,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$75,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 10.

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Project Period: Up to 15 months.

III. Eligibility Information

- 1. Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education (IHEs) that offer an associate or baccalaureate degree.

 Additionally, an IHE must not have received an award under this grant competition (CFDA 84.184N) during the previous five fiscal years (fiscal years 2000 through 2004).
- 2. *Cost Sharing or Matching:* This program does not involve cost sharing or matching.

IV. Application and Submission Information

1. Address To Request Application Package: Education Publications Center (ED Pubs), P.O. Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794–1398. Telephone (toll free): 1–877–433–7827. Fax: (301) 470–1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call (toll free): 1–877–576–7734.

You may also contact ED Pubs at its Web site: http://www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html or you may contact ED Pubs at its e-mail address: edpubs@inet.ed.gov.

If you request an application from ED Pubs, be sure to identify this competition as follows: CFDA number 84.184N.

Copies of the application package for this competition can also be found at: http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osdfs/programs.html.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to one of the contact persons listed in Section VII of this notice under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

- 2. Content and Form of Application Submission: Requirements concerning the content of an application, together with the forms you must submit, are in the application package for this program.
- 3. Submission Dates and Times: Applications Available: June 24, 2005. Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: August 1, 2005.

Applications for grants under this program may be submitted electronically using the Grants.gov Apply site (Grants.gov), or in paper format by mail or hand delivery. For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application electronically, or by mail or hand delivery, please refer to section IV.6. Other Submission Requirements in this notice.

We do not consider an application that does not comply with the deadline requirements.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: August 31, 2005.

- 4. Intergovernmental Review: This program is subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. Information about Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs under Executive Order 12372 is in the application package for this program.
- 5. Funding Restrictions: We reference regulations outlining funding restrictions in the Applicable Regulations section of this notice.
- 6. Other Submission Requirements: Applications for grants under the Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses Program

may be submitted electronically or in paper format by mail or hand delivery.

a. Electronic Submission of Applications.

We have been accepting applications electronically through the Department's e-Application system since FY 2000. In order to expand on those efforts and comply with the President's Management Agenda, we are continuing to participate as a partner in the new government wide Grants.gov Apply site in FY 2005. Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses Program-CFDA Number 84.184N is one of the programs included in this project.

If you choose to submit your application electronically, you must use the Grants.gov Apply site (Grants.gov). Through this site, you will be able to download a copy of the application package, complete it offline, and then upload and submit your application. You may not e-mail an electronic copy of a grant application to us. We request your participation in Grants.gov.

You may access the electronic grant application for Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses Program at: http://www.grants.gov. You must search for the downloadable application package for this program by the CFDA number. Do not include the CFDA number's alpha suffix in your search.

Please note the following:

- Your participation in Grants.gov is voluntary.
- When you enter the Grants.gov site, you will find information about submitting an application electronically through the site, as well as the hours of operation.
- Applications received by Grants.gov are time and date stamped. Your application must be fully uploaded and submitted with a date/time received by the Grants.gov system no later than 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date. We will not consider your application if it was received by the Grants.gov system later than 4:30 p.m. on the application deadline date. When we retrieve your application from Grants.gov, we will notify you if we are rejecting your application because it was submitted after 4:30 p.m. on the application deadline date.
- If you experience technical difficulties on the application deadline date and are unable to meet the 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, deadline, print out your application and follow the instructions in this notice for the submission of paper applications by mail or hand delivery.

- The amount of time it can take to upload an application will vary depending on a variety of factors including the size of the application and the speed of your Internet connection. Therefore, we strongly recommend that you do not wait until the application deadline date to begin the application process through Grants.gov.
- You should review and follow the Education Submission Procedures for submitting an application through Grants.gov that are included in the application package for this program to ensure that your application is submitted timely to the Grants.gov system.
- To use Grants.gov, you, as the applicant, must have a D-U-N-S Number and register in the Central Contractor Registry (CCR). You should allow a minimum of five business days to complete the CCR registration.
- You will not receive additional point value because you submit your application in electronic format, nor will we penalize you if you submit your application in paper format.
- You may submit all documents electronically, including all information typically included on the Application for Federal Education Assistance (ED 424), Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED 524), and all necessary assurances and certifications. Any narrative sections of your application must be attached as files in a .DOC (document), .RTF (rich text) or .PDF (Portable Document) format.
- Your electronic application must comply with any page limit requirements described in this notice.
- After you electronically submit your application, you will receive an automatic acknowledgment from Grants.gov that contains a Grants.gov tracking number. The Department will retrieve your application from Grants.gov and send you a second confirmation by e-mail that will include a PR/Award number (an ED-specified identifying number unique to your application).
- We may request that you provide us original signatures on forms at a later date.
- b. Submission of Paper Applications by Mail.

If you submit your application in paper format by mail (through the U.S. Postal Service or a commercial carrier), you must mail the original and two copies of your application, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the applicable following address:

By mail through the U.S. Postal Service:

- U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA Number 84.184N), 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202–4260; or By mail through a commercial carrier:
- U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center "Stop 4260, Attention: (CFDA Number 84.184N), 7100 Old Landover Road, Landover, MD 20785–1506.

Regardless of which address you use, you must show proof of mailing consisting of one of the following:

- (1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark,
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service,
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier, or
- (4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education.

If you mail your application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

(1) A private metered postmark, or

(2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

If your application is postmarked after the application deadline date, we will not consider your application.

Note: The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, you should check with your local post office.

c. Submission of Paper Applications by Hand Delivery.

If you submit your application in paper format by hand delivery, you (or a courier service) must deliver the original and two copies of your application by hand, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address:

U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA Number 84.184N), 550 12th Street, SW., Room 7041, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202–4260.

The Application Control Center accepts hand deliveries daily between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, except Saturdays, Sundays and Federal holidays.

Note for Mail or Hand Delivery of Paper Applications: If you mail or hand deliver your application to the Department:

(1) You must indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 4 of the Application for Federal Education Assistance (ED 424) the CFDA number—and suffix letter, if any "of the competition under which you are submitting your application.

(2) The Application Control Center will mail a grant application receipt acknowledgment to you. If you do not receive the grant application receipt acknowledgment within 15 business days from the application deadline date, you should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 245–6288.

V. Application Review Information

Selection Criteria: The selection criteria for this program are in 34 CFR 75.210 and in the application package for this competition.

VI. Award Administration Information

1. Award Notices: If your application is successful, we notify your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators and send you a Grant Award Notification (GAN). We may also notify you informally.

If your application is not evaluated or not selected for funding, we notify you.

2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements: We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the Applicable Regulations section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grants.

- 3. Reporting: At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. If you receive a multi-year award, you must submit an annual performance report that provides the most current performance and financial expenditure information as specified by the Secretary in 34 CFR 75.118.
- 4. Performance Measures: The Secretary may choose to develop performance measures for the Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses Program in accordance with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA). If indicators are developed, grantees will be asked to provide information that relates to participant outcomes and project management.

VII. Agency Contacts

For Further Information Contact: Vera Messina, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3E258, Washington, DC 20202–6450. Telephone: (202) 260–8273 or by e-mail: vera.messina@ed.gov or Ruth Tringo, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3E338, Washington, DC 20202–6450. Telephone: (202) 260–2838 or by e-mail: ruth.tringo@ed.gov.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–888–877–8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the program contact persons listed in this section.

VIII. Other Information

Electronic Access to This Document: You may view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the Federal Register, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) on the Internet at the following site: http://www.ed.gov/news/fedregister.

To use PDF you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site. If you have questions about using PDF, call the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO), toll free, at 1–888–293–6498; or in the Washington, DC, area at (202) 512–1530.

Note: The official version of this document is the document published in the Federal Register. Free Internet access to the official edition of the Federal Register and the Code of Federal Regulations is available on GPO Access at: http://www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html.

Dated: June 21, 2005.

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 $Assistant\ Deputy\ Secretary\ for\ Safe\ and\ Drug-Free\ Schools.$

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses

AGENCY: Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools, Department of Education. **ACTION:** Notice of final priority and eligibility requirements.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Deputy Secretary for Safe and Drug-Free Schools announces a priority and eligibility requirements under the Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses grant competition. We may use the priority and eligibility requirements for competitions in FY 2005 and later years. We take this action to focus Federal financial assistance on an identified national need. We intend the priority and eligibility requirements to support the identification and dissemination of models of effective alcohol and other drug prevention at institutions of higher education (IHEs).

DATES: The priority and eligibility requirements are effective July 25, 2005. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vera Messina, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3E258, Washington, DC 20202–6450. Telephone: (202) 260–8273 or via Internet: vera.messina@ed.gov; or Ruth Tringo, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3E338, Washington, DC 20202–6450. Telephone: (202) 260–2838 or via Internet: ruth.tringo@ed.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education seeks to support projects that address high-risk drinking and drug use and that can become practical models for replication and adaptation in other college communities. The goals of this program are to identify models of effective campus-based alcohol and other drug prevention programs and disseminate information about these programs to other colleges and universities where similar efforts may be adopted.

We published a notice of proposed priority and eligibility requirements for this program in the **Federal Register** on April 8, 2005 (70 FR 17984).

Other than minor editorial changes, there are no differences between the notice of proposed priority and eligibility requirements and this notice of final priority and eligibility requirements.

Public Comment

In the notice of proposed priority and eligibility requirements, we invited comments on the proposed priority and eligibility requirements. We did not receive any substantive comments.

Note: This notice does not solicit applications. In any year in which we choose