

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI): *Baltimore City Community Supports Partnership*

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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Question 1

Do applicants need a letter of support before submitting our proposal?

Yes. A letter of support from Baltimore City Public Schools must be attached to the application. Instructions to request one are on page 14 of the Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI).

Question 2

Is the requirement that current Community Supports Partnership (CSP) grantees submit Milestones & Deliverables reports specific to organizations funded currently to provide CSP services in Baltimore City, or is it required for organizations funded to provide CSP services in other jurisdictions as well?

Organizations currently funded to provide CSP services in any jurisdiction in Maryland are required to submit Milestones & Deliverables reports from all jurisdictions in which they provide services.

Question 3

Our organization is younger than a year, so we don't have a full year of good standing with the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation. What document should we submit?

As stated on page 21 of the REOI, the Certificate of Good Standing must be dated within the past year of the REOI submission due date—which is January 16, 2026. This means that the Certificate must be dated no earlier than January 16, 2025.



Question 4
Are you prioritizing any specific schools?

No. We are not prioritizing any specific schools. We encourage you to reference the FY27 Baltimore City CSP Gap Analysis (Attachment A of the REOI) to inform your application.

Question 5
How is this grant different from the Expanded School Behavioral Health (ESBH) program?

The Baltimore City CSP program does not impact ESBH providers. It is a separate program and has unique deliverables and requirements. The Baltimore City CSP program is focused on addressing gaps in existing supports and may provide services that expand on existing ESBH services.

This REOI seeks proposals that are designed to meet the needs identified in the FY27 Baltimore City CSP Gap Analysis (Attachment A of the REOI).

Question 6
How many organizations will be awarded for this REOI?

Through this REOI process, BHSB will select proposals to include in the application it submits in response to the [RFA](#) released by the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (CHRC). The CHRC will make final selection and funding decisions. The number of organizations is not specified.

Question 7
This project has a funding amount of \$750,000.00. Is that allocated to the entire project or organization?

As stated on page 11 of the REOI document, the CHRC has not set parameters for award amounts but has shared that the average award amount to service providers during the last round of CSP grants was approximately \$750,000. Applicants are encouraged to be practical in their requests and review the permissible uses of funds on page 11 of the REOI.

Question 8



When will we receive confirmation regarding our request for a letter of support from Baltimore City Public Schools?

As stated on page 14 of the REOI, letters of support requests will be managed directly by Baltimore City Public Schools. All questions regarding the timeline and process for letters of support should be directed to Baltimore City Public Schools.

BHSB encourages applicants to submit their requests for letters of support as soon as possible. You can begin your applications to the REOI while you are waiting for a response from Baltimore City Public Schools.

Question 9
Is there a page limit for the abstract?

No. The abstract should be brief but comprehensive.

Question 10
Does this REOI include serving the homeschooled community? This represents a significant gap because these students are not affiliated with a school, making it harder to access the services they may need. In our proposal, should we consider including homeschooled students, or is that outside the current scope?

The list of schools in Attachment B of the REOI includes schools located in Baltimore City that are included in Attachment L of the [RFA](#) released by the CHRC. This list of schools includes students enrolled in Baltimore City schools who are currently receiving instruction at home due to medical or psychiatric conditions. Additional details about this population will be provided at a later time. If your organization intends to include services for homeschooled students, please provide this information in your proposal.

Question 11
Will you be prioritizing applications that propose serving multiple schools, or would it be is it just as competitive to propose serving a certain region or one or two schools?

There is no expectation that applicants will serve every school. The scope depends on the programming plan. The selection process prioritizes



proposals that address unmet needs identified in the Baltimore City Gap Analysis (Attachment A of the REOI).

Question 12

Is the expectation that applicants identify specific schools in which they propose to deliver services, or will there be a subsequent phase in which programming that is selected through this REOI would be assigned to certain schools?

If you have identified schools that you propose to serve, please include this information in your application. However, it is not a requirement to identify schools. This determination can be made after the selection process is completed through technical assistance and coordination with Baltimore City Public Schools.

Question 13

Addressing the behavioral health needs of students and families requires also supporting teachers. What percentage of the program should focus on staff support versus student services? For example, could a proposal allocate 50% of resources to teacher support and 50% to student programming, or is there a preferred balance that you are looking for?

Applicants should demonstrate how their proposed program addresses the unmet needs identified in the FY27 Baltimore City CSP Gap Analysis (Attachment A of the REOI). Applicants should also reference the permissible uses of funds outlined on pages 10-11 of the REOI.

End of Questions and Answers