QUESTION & ANSWER SUMMARY
Request for Proposals 21-03
Employment Supports for individuals impacted by the criminal legal system

General questions

Q1: You said at the bidder’s conference that relicensing support would be allowed – very specifically, can fees and participant parking tickets be paid for with these funds? We want to make sure we know exactly what is meant by “supported.”
A: We are not able to provide financial assistance to directly pay such fees and fines, however we can connect you to resources like the King County Relicensing Program.

Q2: Related, how do you define a “fiscally-separate entity”? Does this mean a separate EIN or just budgeted separately?
A: In the context of the RFP, it means “just budgeted separately”.

Q3: Is King County providing Technical Assistance with the grant writing?
A: The Workforce Development Council of Seattle King County in collaboration with the Veterans, Seniors and Human Services Levy (VSHSL) offers technical assistance (TA) to small entities needing support in applying for RFP 21-03 “Employment Supports for individuals impacted by the criminal legal system”. To qualify for TA, organizations must 1) have fewer than 20 full-time equivalent staff and 2) an operating budget of less than $4 million in the fiscal year prior to the year of application.

Qualifying applicant entities can reach out to any of the consultants listed below directly. Please mention RFP21-03 “Employment Supports for individuals impacted by the criminal legal system” in your request. To ensure high quality support, please initiate any technical assistance request at least 14 business days prior to the RFP’s closing date, which is October 4, 2021. Availability of TA is based on consultant capacity. Consultants will ask for information to determine your entity’s eligibility prior to providing technical assistance. If you determine that a consultant is not a good fit for you, please contact another consultant for support within the specified time frame.

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Jennifer Lassley Knight is a nonprofit development and marketing consultant with a demonstrated track record of winning corporate, foundation and government grants, including King County levy-funded grants. She has worked in a variety of roles—both as a nonprofit staff member (Development & Marketing Manager) and as a remote consultant—to fundraise and design marketing materials for a variety of human services causes in Greater Seattle/South King County. She has experience collaborating and building partnerships with school districts, stakeholders, and other
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