**Immigrant Safety and Access Network (ISAN)**

**Answers to inquiries**

The questions below arose from the RFP Information Session on April 18, 9-10:30am

*No additional questions were submitted to OIRARFP@seattle.gov*

**Q: Where is the funding coming from?**

A: Funding is coming from the City of Seattle’s General Fund via the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs (OIRA).

**Q. Do you have in mind already who will receive the funding?**

A. We will be reviewing the applications submitted and decisions will be made based on the review process.

**Q. Can we contact you with further questions after this call?**

A. Yes, Additional questions will be received at OIRARFP@seattle.gov until April 22nd and responses will be posted on the webpage on April 24th.

**Q. Can you go over the eligibility criteria?**

A.Below is the list from the slides, no additional information/ clarification was requested.

* Community-based 501(c)3 organizations or community-based organizations under fiscal sponsorship by a 501(c)3 entity. Funds must be disbursed to Seattle residents.
* Eligible applicants must comply with applicable federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws and standards, including having nondiscrimination hiring practices in place.
* Further, the applicant shall not:
  + Require payment from participants for services provided
  + Require participants to participate in a religious service or activity as a condition of receiving services.

**Q. Can you clarify the timeline process?**

A. The timeline is as included in the RFP

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| Application questions received | Monday, April 22nd |
| Application answers posted | Wednesday, April 24th |
| Applications due | Monday, May 6th |
| Application review | Tuesday, May 7th – Friday, May 10th |
| Funding decisions announced | Monday, May 13th |
| Appeal deadline | Friday, May 17th |
| Contracts start | Monday, May 20th |

**Q. Can you please go over the differences between the 2 RFPs released?**

A. ISAN is an **ongoing** program that focuses on gun violence in immigrant and refugee communities. The Victim Compensation Fund is a **one-time** funding source that is intended to focus on the increase in identity-based violence, especially in the Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities since March 2020, at the start of the pandemic. It is a slightly different focus with different funding sources.

**Q. Can organizations apply for both?**

A. Yes. Organizations are welcome to apply for both oppportunities.