



Additional Questions and Answers- Updated 4.27.17

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- Q: Is it double dipping if an existing coalition is already funded through the Drug Free Communities grant? Would DFC funded coalitions be able to apply for this particular funding?
 - A: “Double dipping” or “supplanting” may be an issue if the provider is already receiving funding for essentially the same services. If they currently have a program that is already funded by a state grant (or other dedicated local funding), and this state grant/other funding is ongoing (through FY 17-18 and beyond), and they’re proposing to use this federal SAPT money instead, then yes, that would be supplantation. If the program will be an enhancement/expansion of their currently funded program, or if their current program will be losing funding (prior to this funding kicking in), then no supplantation would be occurring.

Updated as of 4.25.17

- Q: Do we have to create a coalition to implement the Strengthening Families Program?
 - A: No, a coalition is not necessary in order to implement the Strengthening Families Program. More information regarding the Strengthening Families Program can be found online at: <https://www.strengtheningfamiliesprogram.org/>.

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- Q: Do you have the RFP in word format?
 - A: No, just the PDF.
- Q: Is there a Santa Maria location to deliver the RFP applications?

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- A: The only place to deliver applications is at the address listed in the RFP. You can also Fed-ex it as long as it arrives by the deadline.
- Q: Are we allowed to use a table format to answer question C.1 Outcomes to list the program and process outcomes and related activities? Can it be a single-spaced table?
 - A: You can use a table. All narrative text must adhere to the space limitations and format specifications indicated within the RFP. Non-narrative text can be placed in single-spaced tables. Please keep in mind that if the RFP asked for a narrative description and you place the information in a table format, this may not score as highly responsive.
- Q: Can applicants themselves input information provided to them by references into the references Exhibit? For instance if a reference response was emailed.
 - A: Yes. This is fine.
- Q: Can applications focus on youth in coalition formation, specifically in regards to environmental strategy?
 - A: The requirement of the coalition includes the 12 sectors of community members to have a balanced environmental approach to the community that will be served. However, the coalition can have more than the 12 sectors. The youth can play a big presence in the coalition and the work that will come about with the coalition's recommendations.
- Q: When is the start date of the program?
 - A: As stated in the anticipated RFP schedule found on page 4 of the RFP, program begins providing services to the community on October 1, 2017.