

Limited Submissions

Sponsor: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA)

Program: Children's Healthy Learning Environments in Low-Income and/or

Minority Communities

Estimated Award Amount: \$200,000

JHU Nomination Limit: 1

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Deadlines:

Internal Application: August 17, 2021 Full Application: September 10, 2021

Opportunity Summary:

The purpose of this Children's Healthy Learning Environments in Low-Income and/or Minority Communities solicitation (RFA) is to provide funds for capacity building activities to address disproportionate children's environmental health harms and risks in school and/or childcare settings in, or that primarily serve, low-income and/or minority communities. This RFA provides funding directly to organizations to support school- and/or childcare center-based capacity building projects that help school communities understand and address local environmental and public health issues that affect children. Projects must take place in schools and/or childcare centers that are located in minority and/or low-income communities and/or primarily serve student populations that are minority and/or low-income (e.g., Head Start and Early Head Start programs, Title I schools, tribal schools).

The source of funds for awards under this RFA is the American Rescue Plan (ARP), specifically Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 103(b)(3) and/or the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Section 1442(c)(3). These funds were made available to address health outcome disparities from pollution and/or the COVID-19 pandemic and to identify and address disproportionate environmental or public health harms and risks in minority populations and/or low-income populations. Note that a project's focus is to consist of activities within the statutory terms of EPA's financial assistance authorities; specifically, the statute(s) listed above. These activities should relate to the gathering or transferring of information or advancing the state of knowledge. Proposals should emphasize this "learning" concept, as opposed to "fixing" an environmental problem via a well-established method.

Eligibility & Requirements:

- Projects must address health outcome disparities from pollution and/or the COVID-19 pandemic and identify
 and address disproportionate environmental health harms and risks in minority populations and/or lowincome populations.
- Applicants must propose activities eligible for funding under either Clean Air Act Section 103 and/or Safe Drinking Water Act Section 1442.
- A project must further EPA's Strategic Goal 1: A Cleaner, Healthier Environment, Objective 1.1: to improve air quality and/or Objective 1.2, provide for clean and safe water.
- Applications must not be used for the purposes of routine program implementation, implementation of
 routine environmental protection or restoration measures, meeting any legal mandate (such as federal,
 state, or local regulations or settlement agreements), land acquisition, purchase of vehicles, or completion of
 work which was to have been completed under a prior grant.

Internal Nomination Process:

Interested applicants should submit the following documents:

- 1. JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet
- 2. Proposal (maximum of two pages of text only, single spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins) (Note: figures, tables, and other reference material may be included in addition to the 2 pg. text limit)
- 3. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications
- 4. Budget (two pages maximum)

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