URBAN PARK GRANT OPPORTUNITY (ORLP) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WEBINAR

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LWCF Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program

Technical Training

July 14, 2021
Session Objectives

• Review in detail specific program and eligibility requirements
• Identify common project and proposal issues
• Provide guidance for writing a good proposal
Legislative and Budget Highlights

• State Formula Grant Program authorized in 1964 as part of the LWCF Act

• Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program created through appropriations legislation in FY 2014

• Not separately authorized but separately funded
## Differences – State Formula vs ORLP

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<td>Project population – no minimum</td>
<td>Project must be located in/serve a city with a <strong>minimum population of 50,000</strong> per 2010 Census</td>
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<td>Project location – no requirement</td>
<td>Project must be <strong>located within, or abut</strong>, a Census-designated <strong>Urban Area</strong> (dense areas of 50k+)</td>
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<td>Project Sponsor – no requirement</td>
<td>Project Sponsor must be or represent a city of 50k located within a UA boundary</td>
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<td>Project community -- not required to be underserved</td>
<td>Project <strong>must meet needs of</strong> (and preferably be located be within) an <strong>underserved community</strong></td>
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Las Vegas-Henderson, NV
Differences - State Formula vs ORLP (Cont.)

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<td>Project may serve any community</td>
<td>Project must serve and be accessible to economically-disadvantaged communities</td>
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<td>No economic development requirements</td>
<td>Project must stimulate local economic development</td>
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<td>Minimum or maximum is set by State (within parameters of state’s allocation). 1:1 Match required.</td>
<td>Min federal request $300,000 - Max $5 million. 1:1 match required w/preference for multiple, local, non-public sources.</td>
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<td>No limit - number of awards per site</td>
<td>Limit of 2 grants per site.</td>
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<td>Partnerships not required.</td>
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The proposal is a pre-application.

Selection is an invitation for the State to submit a final and complete application.

Funding is not determined until the final application is reviewed and approved.
Avoid Major Application Issues

- Read the NOFO
- Focus on the part of the project being funded
- Include all required elements as stated in NOFO
- Be clear and honest
- Support declarative statements
- Make sure information and budgets align throughout
- Keep reviewers in mind
Trail Projects

• Trail must primarily serve recreational needs of target community, not commuter needs or greater area.

• Protected boundary must include all recreation areas the trail transects or attaches.

• Non-capital improvements and work outside the boundary are ineligible costs.
School Parks

• Projects solely meeting the physical program requirements of a school are unallowable.

• Limited school-only use

• High risk of conversion

• Documentation of school’s agreement to LWCF Act requirements needed with application.
NOFO and Proposal Template Review on Grants.gov

Opportunity **P21AS00509**

- Required Application Elements
- Criteria (priorities)
- Templates

https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?opplId=333434
Sample Local Recreation Area Map
Sample Boundary Map

- Name of Site Shown
- Clear Boundary Lines
- North Arrow
- Total Acres Indicated
Sample Site Plan
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https://www.nps.gov/subjects/lwcf/contact-list.htm

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THANK YOU!

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