

**GIFA 24-04 Drop-in Centers
Questions and Answers 2024.10.04**

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1	<p>We are opening a pro-sober community center in next year. We also operate peer lead recovery programs and digitally 14 jails and prisons across the state. Is it possible to apply for this grant highlighting the 3 different facets of our work or will the grant only be focused on brick-and-mortar facilities?</p> <p>This grant is intended to support physical brick and mortar drop-in centers.</p>
2	<p>The GIFA states that “Professionally facilitated support groups which offer education, emotional and social support, practical help, and more” Does a SMART Recovery facilitator count as “professional”? What about AA and NA self-help groups? And Certified Peer Specialists or Recovery Specialists?</p> <p>Yes, on-site groups led by credentialed recovery professionals and 12 Step groups are allowable activities of this grant.</p>
3	<p>I am interested in applying for GIFA 24-04 funding for SUD drop-in centers. We are a 501c3 non-profit and do not currently have DDAP funding or DDAP licensure. We are a Center of Excellence for OUD and provide medications for OUD and other healthcare services as a physical health provider. Are we eligible to apply for this funding?</p> <p>Applicant eligibility is described on page 1 under “Eligible Applicants.”</p> <p>Applicant must have at least two years of experience as of July 1, 2024, in providing SUD prevention, intervention, harm reduction, treatment, or recovery support services, drop-in center services or relevant services and shall have the capacity to provide SUD drop-in center services to individuals with opioid use disorder (OUD) and other concurrent SUD. This project also supports the delivery of services to care for addressing stimulant misuse and use disorders, including for cocaine and methamphetamine.</p> <p>Single County Authorities (SCAs) are eligible to apply under this funding announcement.</p> <p>Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP)- licensed treatment providers are eligible to apply under this funding announcement.</p> <p>Applicants that offer clinical services are eligible to apply under this funding announcement but must maintain separation between the SUD drop-in center and clinical programming offered within their organizations.</p>

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4	<p>We are a non-profit Recovery Center Organization providing peer support services, recovery events, and function as Somerset County’s only SUD drop-in center. Our agency was founded on April 23rd , 2024, in Somerset PA. I have been actively working in the field since 2021 providing Peer Recovery Support Services for all of Somerset County for over 3 years. I know that OR2R is technically new this year, however I personally have been leading and performing Peer Recovery Support Services in Somerset County for over 3 Years. Our Center shows a demand in our community and as the first of its kind in Somerset we need to keep the center operating to provide hope, long term support and a healthy environment for US to recover. Are we eligible to apply?</p> <p>Please see question 3 above.</p>
5	<p>I was wondering if you could tell me if we are simply using the Project Evaluation Plan Template to show how we are going to be the project itself down the road (thus sending in a blank copy) or are we supposed to have one filled out with SMART goals already to show what types of goals we plan on trying to measure.</p> <p>See page 8 of the GIFA Announcement under “Reporting Requirements and Project Evaluation Plan”.</p> <p>Applicant must describe their capacity to report the metrics in Section 9. Applicant must provide a detailed description of their capacity to measure and report effectiveness of the services provided under this grant. The application must explain the collection of data and submission of reports to DDAP in Section 9. Application must specify and justify any additional measures or instruments being used use. Applicant must describe the process to create a project evaluation plan and any prior experience their staff has in creating project evaluation plans. Applicant must explain the collection of feedback from participants and stakeholders and how this feedback will be used to continuously improve the services provided. Applicant must use the provided template or another format that contains all requested information including SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Timebound) goals and objectives including outcomes and measures used to evaluate the project. This project evaluation plan must address the overall effectiveness of the project after analyzing the data outcomes from the Data Reports and Annual Reports listed in Section 9.</p>
6	<p>I read that you do not want names in the budget, would that go for the Budget Narrative as well?</p> <p>Consultants or Subcontractors can be named within the Budget Narrative. The type of service the Consultant or Subcontractor provides should be used within the Excel Budget document.</p>
7	<p>Would painting an unused area of our recovery center that we would begin using as a result of this project be considered an upgrade that lasts beyond the grant?</p>

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	Painting is an allowable activity of this grant.
8	<p>We wanted to inquire if a 501(c)(3) non-profit would be allowed to apply for this project?</p> <p>Please see question 3 above.</p>
9	<p>Would we be eligible to apply through this grant opportunity to fund 24/7 Medication-Assisted Treatment at our existing clinic that would be drop in so we could start treatment ASAP for OUD patients and refer non-OUD patients to the correct place? Thank you.</p> <p>No, treatment is not an allowable expense of this grant.</p>
10	<p>Will these be considered as eligible expenses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Costs for 2 Parking Gates (Subcontractor and Purchase of product/materials). b. Professional Sign (Subcontractor and materials). c. Video camera and monitor. d. Purchase of Van to reduce barriers of transportation to provide transportation each day to referral resources. e. Marketing costs, TV and News advertising, Billboard, Internet website, Printed materials. f. Snow removal equipment and supplies to prevent barriers to the Drop-in Center in winter months. g. Contract Presenter/Speakers for family education seminars and Contract Fees, Catered lunch for attendees, Gift Cards for Overdose reversal kits. <p>Letters a, b, d, and g are not allowable expenses of this grant.</p>
11	<p>Would the following be considered ineligible expenses: The cost of installing the necessary showers and laundry facilities, building walls, painting, etc.? If these are eligible costs where would these costs be classified on the budget?</p> <p>Minor cosmetic upgrades to physical plants such as painting are allowable expenses of this grant.</p>