

2012 TZD Safe Roads Coalition Grant Program RFP – Frequently Asked Questions

1. With Amy moving to a new position, do we need to have a TZD rep at our meetings?
No, please continue to work in your county and region with your 4 E partners (engineering, enforcement, education and emergency medical services)
2. Can we select 2 items from the possible projects available for funding (i.e. continuing to work on policies with employers and working with local government)? **Yes- you can choose as many as you have budgeted time for and you are qualified for by the data in your county for that contributing factor.**
3. Is my time reimbursable if I am working on the new grant application? (A member was actually concerned about this so I told them I would ask.)
Good question. Technically, no. You may want to think about utilizing coalition members or meeting time to get the application pulled together.
4. Will we need to have all our funds used up before 09-30-2011 or is there an option of carrying funds over? (I.e. if we start working with a media production person and he doesn't invoice us until after 09-30-11.)
No there is no carry-over of funds. All funds need to be spent before 09-30-11. Please keep in mind the funds are supposed to fund the current grant year's activities. Buying large amounts of supplies or printing on 9/29/11 would not be in line with that- your work plan should be laid out so that your spending is nearly completed in early Sept with the Labor Day DWI mobilization.
5. Do letters need to be on official letterhead? **Yes, unless there is a circumstance where this is impossible.**
6. Do letters need official's signatures considering they are being submitted electronically? Some places may not have scanning capabilities.
Letters will need signatures (electronic signatures will be fine). If you have no way to scan documents, please contact me directly and we will work it out on a case by case basis.
7. Is the text box limit 1000 characters or words?
1000 characters
8. There were some questions regarding the eligibility criteria and rate versus rank. From the guidance I have interpreted that the rate of a county leads to its rank against the state as a whole. If a county has a higher rate rank than the state they are eligible to work on that particular issue. Is this an accurate interpretation?

I know it is a little intimidating, but please read through the eligibility instructions before using the grids. The instructions and the grids are embedded in the online system.

They are intended to answer questions on how to interpret the data for program planning and eligibility. Please call me individually if you are unsure about how to read the grids.

9. Can you send the current grantee map for Safe Roads and Safe and Sober?
Available
10. What is the term of the grant- when start and when end?
Grant begins on October 1, 2011 and ends on Sept 30, 2012.
11. Are quarterly reports required?
There are monthly reports and quarterly invoicing.
12. Can we have more than one objective?
Yes. Be sure that all of your objectives match your data and are lined up with the menu of options.
13. Can we use this to fund those parts of the DWI Court Program that is needed?
No, however, you can collaborate with the court to build support for the program.
14. How much money does the grant provide?
The average grant that was awarded in 2011 was \$21,000.
The range was from \$5,000-\$26,000.
15. Do we not need a resolution for this RFP this year? I didn't see one or did I miss it somewhere?
The resolutions are not required as part of the application this year. Once grant awards are made, we will work on getting those as soon as possible before October 1st.