Pilot Projects to Reduce Dependency and Increase Work Requirements and Work Effort under SNAP
SNAP Employment and Training Pilots
Number: 10.596
Agency: Department of Agriculture
Office: Food and Nutrition Service

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Authorization (040):

Objectives (050):
Pilot projects to reduce dependency and increase work requirements and work effort under SNAP: The purpose of these pilots is to develop and test methods that raise the number of work registrants under section 6(d) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, as amended, who obtain unsubsidized employment, increase the earned income of the registrants, and reduce the reliance of the registrants on public assistance, so as to reduce the need for SNAP benefits.

Types of Assistance (060):
Cooperative Agreements

Uses and Use Restrictions (070):
The Act provides funding for ten pilot projects that develop and test methods, including operating work programs with certain features comparable to work programs operated under the TANF program, for employment and training programs to raise the number of SNAP work registrants who obtain unsubsidized employment, increase the earned income of the registrants, and reduce the reliance of the registrants on public assistance. The Act requires an independent, rigorous evaluation to measure the impact of each pilot on participants' employment, income, and other measures of well-being to inform implementation of SNAP E&T programs.

In accordance with section 16(h)(4) of the FNA and 7 CFR 273.7(d)(ii), E&T funding, including E&T pilot funds, cannot be used for certification procedures, including determining whether an individual must be work registered, the work registration process, or any further screening performed during the certification process, nor for sanction activities.

Allowable use of funds includes, but is not limited to, personnel costs; training; translation of forms; other supplies; printing, duplication, and dissemination of materials; and technology (both hardware and software) necessary and allocable for operating the pilot project and/or participating in the evaluation of the pilot project.

Eligibility Requirements (080)

Applicant Eligibility (081):

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Only State agencies that currently administer the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training (E&T) program are eligible for these grants.

Beneficiary Eligibility (032):
Only State agencies that currently administer the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training (E&T) program are eligible for these grants.

Credentials/Documentation (083):
The Act requires that State agencies interested in applying must commit to maintain at least the amount of State funding for SNAP E&T programs that they expended in FY 2013 for each year of the pilot. The Act also requires that funds made available through this funding opportunity shall be used only to supplement, not to supplant, non-Federal funds used for existing E&T activities or services. 2 CFR 200, Subpart E - Cost Principles applies to this program.

Application and Award Process (090)

Preapplication Coordination (091):
Preapplication coordination is required. Environmental impact information is not required for this program. This program is excluded from coverage under E.O. 12372.

Application Procedures (092):
This program is excluded from coverage under 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

Award Procedure (093):
FNS pre-screened all applications to ensure that they contained the required documents and information. After the initial screening, FNS convened an evaluation panel to consider the merit of each grant application. Each application that passed initial screening was given to the panel to be evaluated and scored according to how well it addresses each application component. The panel members recommended applications for consideration for a grant award based on the evaluation scoring.

Deadlines (094):
Not Applicable.

Range of Approval/Disapproval Time (095):
Not Applicable.

Appeals (096):
Not Applicable.

Renewals (097):
Not Applicable.

Assistance Consideration (100)

Formula and Matching Requirements (101):
This program has no statutory formula.
This program has no matching requirements.
This program does not have MOE requirements.

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Length and Time Phasing of Assistance (102):
There is a time restriction; money will no longer be available after 09/30/2018. See the following for information on how assistance is awarded/released: Still under consideration.

Post Assistance Requirements (110)

Reports (111):
Program reports are not applicable. Cash reports are not applicable. At a minimum, progress reports should include the following information:

• A narrative description of project progress, tasks completed, and roadblocks or problems;
• Reasons why goals and objectives were not met, if appropriate, particularly at predefined go/no-go decision points, and justification of decision to proceed;
• Discuss the budget impact and/or costs associated within this reporting period;
• List key activities planned for the next report period;
• Findings or activities which may require changes in schedule, accomplishments, or costs, particularly those changes which may impact the Recipient’s ability to utilize grant funds within the specified time period;
• Other pertinent information including, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns; and
• Any unique aspects that you would like to share. The Recipient is required to electronically enter the quarterly and final financial status report (SF-425) into the FNS, Food Programs Reporting System (FPRS). This report must be certified by the Recipient’s chief fiscal officer or an officer of comparable rank. Included with the terms and conditions are instructions on how to obtain access and enter data into FPRS. This report must be entered within 30 days after the close of each quarter. The Final Financial Report must be entered into FPRS within 90 days of the expiration of this agreement. This report must also be certified by the Recipient’s chief fiscal officer or an officer of comparable rank. Performance monitoring is not applicable.

Audits (112):
Not Applicable.

Records (113):
No Data Available.

Financial Information (120)

Account Identification (121):
12-3605-0-1-605.

Obligations (122):
(Cooperative Agreements) FY 16 Not Separately Identifiable; FY 17 Not Separately Identifiable; and FY 18 est $0

Range and Average of Financial Assistance (123):
The range is $8,959,379 to $22,329,952. The grant average is approximately $17,509,239.

Program Accomplishments (130):
Not Applicable.

Regulations, Guidelines, and Literature (140):

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7 CFR 273.7

Additional publications may be available at: http://www.fns.usda.gov/2014-snap-e-t-pilots

Information Contacts (150)

Regional or Local Office (151):
None.

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http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap

Related Programs (160):
10.551 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Examples of Funded Projects (170):
Not Applicable.

Criteria for Selecting Proposals (180):
(1) Statement of Need; (2) Project Design; (3) Implementation Plan and Organizational Capacity; (4) Capacity to Support Independent Evaluation; and (5) Application Budget Narrative.