

Racial & Ethnic Disparities RFP – Q&A Call in Notes

A call in for questions and answers with regard to the Racial & Ethnic Disparities Request for Proposals (RFP) was held on March 5, 2015.

Office of Juvenile Justice staff, Lisa Wolph, reviewed the RFP specifically noting the following:

- The WA-PCJJ is interested in proposals that are designed to develop community capacity for institutional and community change and a roadmap to accomplish this change; proposals that demonstrate the local, long term commitment and political will to address identified racial and ethnic disparities (with a focus on the arrest and referral decision points); proposals that include stakeholders from the community, a process for community engagement and that will work with a consultant to identifying the root causes for identified disparities and develop the plan to initiate change.
- This is a one year planning grant opportunity. Funded initiatives that can successfully demonstrate their readiness to implement a racial and ethnic disparities plan with long term commitment from stakeholders and a high level of community engagement may be eligible for up to two years of additional funding for plan implementation, dependent on availability of federal funds.
- All proposals must include the use of expert consultant(s) to ensure a successful R.E.D. initiative. Consultants will assist with data driven decision-making and structural bias as well as individual decision-making and implicit bias (as described on page 4 of the RFP).
- Application must be **RECEIVED** at the Office of Juvenile Justice in Olympia no later than 4:00 PM on April 24, 2015.
- There will be a technical compliance review period between April 27-30th. Applicants will be given an opportunity to respond to deficiencies identified during this review process and make non-substantive changes that bring the proposal into technical compliance. *There is an error in the RFP on page 5 – the technical review period is April 27-30th.*

There were no questions asked at this time. Any questions received will be posted on this website, along with the answers.