

Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee January 26, 2024

The January 23, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for December projects was called to order by Representative Kimberly Williams, at 10:00 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Courtney Stewart, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

1. 6187, Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human Trafficking Valarie Tickle, Executive, Criminal Justice Council

A MOTION was made by Controller General Ruth Ann Miller, seconded by Courtney Stewart, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

 6191, Matthew Shepard and James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Education, Investigation and Prosecution
 Daniel McBride, Legal, Department of Justice

A MOTION was made by Controller General Ruth Ann Miller, seconded by Courtney Stewart, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. <u>6178, East Basin Rd Groundwater Operable Unit 1</u> Stephanie Gordon, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Controller General Ruth Ann Miller, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6118, IT Modernization Grant - ARP
Laurie Wexler, James Billups and Darryl Scott, Department of Labor,
Unemployment Insurance

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Controller General Ruth Ann Miller, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

6176, Habitat Restoration and Outdoor Education
 Dr. Todd Klawinksi, Caesar Rodney School District

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6076 Amendment State Administrative Expense Funds
- 2. 6186 State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers
- 3. 6174 Cross Utilization
- 4. 6175 Summer Food Service Program State Administrative Funds
- 5. 6184 Head Start Collaboration Grant
- 6. 6173 Rural Education Achievement Grant

A MOTION was made by Controller General Ruth Ann Miller, seconded by Courtney Stewart, to approve Continued Business Items 1-6. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m. by Representative Kimberly Williams. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 26, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely.

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting January 23, 2024 (Rescheduled Date) Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6187

PROJECT TITLE: Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human

Trafficking

CFDA NUMBER: 16.834

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice Council (CJC) has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for \$1,500,000 for a three-year period of the Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human Trafficking grant, and this is the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$242,907 and a required match contribution of \$257,093 from program participants brings the total project support to \$2,000,000. This project requires 0.90 GF FTEs with are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be used to identify and assist child and youth victims of both sex and labor trafficking and/or to investigate how they fell victim to traffickers and how to address post recovery needs. The recently created Delaware Anti Trafficking Action Council (DATAC) within the CJC will develop programs in all 3 counties designed to support needs post trafficking with the goal of improved responses and outcomes for child and youth sex and labor human trafficking victims in the state of Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Assess and research the landscape by partnering with the University of Delaware
 to collect data and complete an analysis to determine the numbers of trafficked
 children, types of trafficking specifically including sex and labor statistics, risks,
 demographics, barriers, existing services, cases within the state and mental health
 and physical needs, as well as outcomes of cases;
- Use research results to plan steps to improve responses for child and youth human trafficking victims statewide;
- Oversee the implementation of a minimum of three programs that directly service a minimum of 50 child and youth victims or at-risk of sex and labor trafficking through plan components and training strategy; and
- Collect data and engage in performance measurements to assess whether the program is meeting the goals and objectives and if system collaboration has improved.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6191

PROJECT TITLE: Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes

Education, Investigation and Prosecution

CFDA NUMBER: 16.040

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice, Division of Civil Rights and Public Trust (DCRPT) has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice for \$800,000 for a four-year period of the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Education, Investigation and Prosecution grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 1.00 NSF FTE, Victims Service Specialist, which is requested with this grant submission. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant funding will be used to enhance efforts to raise awareness and prosecution of hate crimes statewide by hiring and integrating a Victims Service Specialist social worker into DCRPT to assist victims of hate crimes and expand the Department's outreach efforts to especially focus on school-age children. The position will support victims of hate crimes at all stages of prosecution – from case intake through trial preparation, trial, and sentencing. Funding will also be used to train and educate the Victims Service Specialist on hate crime-related matters and to enhance the Delaware Department of Justice's ability to effectively prosecute hate crimes.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide comprehensive support to a minimum of 20 victims of hate crimes;
- Increase outreach efforts targeting school-age children through organizing a minimum of six awareness events:
- Establish partnerships with at least three community organizations and advocacy groups to collaborate on join initiatives to address hate crimes and enhance community awareness; and
- Conduct ongoing quarterly training sessions to stay updated on best practices in confronting hate groups.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A request for 1.00 new NSF FTE, Victims Service Specialist, is included with this grant submission. The position will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. Currently, DOJ does not have a specialist dedicated to hate crimes victims. This position is needed to provide essential support for the grant and will be responsible for working with victims and helping them navigate the sometimes lengthy and confusing investigative, charging and trial process. Victims of hate crimes who are among the most vulnerable demographics. This dedicated position will ensure they receive the needed support and guidance from someone who is trained to have specific knowledge and experience in this line of work. The position will be assigned to the Division of Civil Rights and Public Trust within the New Castle or Kent

County offices and will assist Deputy Attorneys General, working directly with victims whose cases fall under the jurisdiction of the Superior Court, Family Court, or the Court of Common Pleas.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6178

PROJECT TITLE: East Basin Rd Groundwater Operable Unit 1

CFDA NUMBER: 66.802

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous

Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances has applied the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response for \$27,694 for a five-year period of the East Basin Rd Groundwater Operable Unit 1 grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.04 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

DNREC is the Support Agency for this fund lead enforcement site. The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to provide funding for the support agency activities during the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study phase at this site, which is located on East Basin Road, New Castle, Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide the EPA with the State's assurance that all activities performed are in compliance with the work plan associated with the cooperative agreement;
- Review all correspondence, work plans, analytical data, and technical documents exchanged and provide comments to the EPA's Project Manager regarding those reviews:
- Assist the EPA's Project Manager to evaluate the attainment of the cleanup standard for the site; and
- Participate in conference calls and meetings with the EPA and/or the respondents regarding the documents mentioned above.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6118

PROJECT TITLE: IT Modernization Grant - ARP

CFDA NUMBER: 17.225

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration for \$869,000 for a three-year grant period of the IT Modernization Grant - ARP, and this is the first year of the

program. This funding is part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act signed by the President on March 11, 2021. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 0.19 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The IT Modernization Grant is intended to protect the Unemployment Insurance program from fraudulent activity and to increase resources dedicated to overpayment recovery by strengthening ID verification and implementing recommended and required fraud prevention and overpayment recovery strategies. The State plans to leverage funds to expand on the current identity verification and detection offerings as well as introduce funds recovery efforts in three identified components: identity verification, multi-factor authentication, and funds recovery.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Strengthen and extend identity verification of Unemployment Insurance (UI) claimants through the continuation of identification verification services such as ID.me;
- Enhance and extend fraud detection and prevention in interactive voice recognition (IVR); and
- Establish funds recovery efforts by analyzing data to identify fraudulently disbursed funds and processes for potential recovery.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6176

PROJECT TITLE: Habitat Restoration and Outdoor Education

CFDA NUMBER: 15.670

APPLICANT: Caesar Rodney School District

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Caesar Rodney School District has received an indirect award for \$227,739 from the National Fish and Wildlife Service who received an award from the Department of the Interior, US Fish and Wildlife Service for a two-year grant period for the Habitat Restoration and Outdoor Education grant, and this is the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$235,435 brings the total project support to \$463,174. There are 0.40 NSF and 1.60 Local Funded FTEs associated with this grant which are within the District's authorized unit count, as well as portions of four casual/seasonal Environmental Education Legacy Leaders associated with the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Caesar Rodney School District will utilize these funds to continue to restore underutilized space on its 14 public school district campuses through a revitalized post-Covid districtwide Eco Team Volunteer Corps, traditional coursework, district professional development, community outreach, and a growing network of community partners. This capacity-building project will provide benefits to wildlife with and increased intent to target listed, at-risk, and/or priority species needs. Water quality practices and watershed education will become more integrated with existing District curricula. This project will inventory existing best management practices (BMPs) on all campuses with

the goal of drafting green infrastructure plans for each BMP to ensure a meaningful educational experience for outdoor learning and to increase resource sustainability.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Develop district-wide Eco Team Volunteer Corps positions targeting youth, parents, veterans and underserved communities;
- Install small scale habitat restoration and biological BMP installations across the 14 school grounds within the Delaware River watershed;
- Work with the Delaware Department of Agriculture Forest Service and Arbor Day program preparing saplings for distribution to Arbor Day participants;
- Monitor multiple habitat and water quality projects at each site focusing on green infrastructure and proper maintenance;
- Reach youth and community members of the District with educational content related to program initiatives;
- Draft an Environmental Literacy Plan for the District and then for each school; and
- Restore/enhance five acres through conversion of detention basins and similar structures into native habitat, rain gardens and vernal ponds.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6076 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: State Administrative Expense Funds

CFDA NUMBER: 10.560

APPLICANT: Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food

Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for and additional \$144,117 for a two-year period of the State Administrative Expense Funds grant, and this is the 42nd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This amendment brings the total project support to \$276,916. This grant requires 0.60 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement and was previously budgeted. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides partial funding for the administration of the Food Distribution Program. The programs serve are all public schools, self-prep summer food service programs and all eligible state and private residential facilities for youth. This year's objective is to continue to distribute in an equitable and timely manner USDA foods offered for all eligible recipients.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6186

PROJECT TITLE: State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis

Centers

CFDA NUMBER: 16.550

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Statistical Analysis Center

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Statistical Analysis Center has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics for \$75,000 for a two-year grant period of the State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers grant, and this is the 28th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, one casual/seasonal position is supported by this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers will support a cooperative agreement to maintain and enhance Delaware's capacity to address criminal justice issues through the collection and analysis of data.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Complete the 2022 Superior Court Violation of Probation and Parole database;
- Enter 2022 Violation of Probation and Parole data for Court of Common Pleas cases:
- Produce a final limited-circulation report of project activities; and
- Participate in a taskforce for upgrading data systems for Criminal Justice data.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6174

PROJECT TITLE: Cross Utilization

CFDA NUMBER: 10.475

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Food Products Inspection

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Food Products Inspection has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service for \$82,000 for a one-year grant period of the Cross Utilization grant, and this is the 56th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.50 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Food Products Inspection maintains a cooperative agreement with the USDA to provide inspection at federal establishments for protection against unsafe or deceptively labeled meat and poultry products. This grant provides the funding to ensure inspections are completed.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Monitor all federal inspection results, provide data in a variety of reports and request verification if any deviations occur; and
- Conduct comprehensive food safety assessments at each establishment approximately every three years.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6175

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Food Service Program - State Administrative Funds

CFDA NUMBER: 10.560

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for \$79,500 for a one-year grant period of Summer Food Service Program – State Administrative Funds, and this is the 58th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.15 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds to eligible service institutions which provide free meals to children in areas where at least 50 percent of the children meet the income eligibility criteria for free and reduced-price meals. Meals may be served to children 18 and younger and individuals over 18 who participate in state-approved school programs for persons with disabilities. The program operates during the months of March through September.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Monitoring, reviewing, and providing technical assistance to Summer Food Program sponsors and sites; and
- Marketing and advertising the Summer Food Service Program to increase participation.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6184

PROJECT TITLE: Head Start Collaboration Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.600

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Early Childhood Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Early Childhood Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$125,000 for a one-year period of the Head Start Collaboration grant, and this is the 27th year of this project. A required state contribution of \$31,250 brings the total project support to \$156,250. This project requires 0.75 NSF and 0.33 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project facilitates collaboration among Head Start and Early Head Start agencies and entities that carry out activities designed to benefit low-income children from birth to school entry and their families.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Representing the Head Start Program Performance Standards in the State's quality indicators for early learning;
- Ensuring that all 1,000 licensed programs have access to supports of the Delaware Stars program, with an emphasis on evidence-based practice implementation; and
- Ensuring that Head Start will be represented in meetings and that the populations served receive comprehensive, cohesive standards.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6173

PROJECT TITLE: Rural Education Achievement Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 84.358

APPLICANT: First State Military Academy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The First State Military Academy (FSMA) has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$23,063 for a two-year period of the Rural Education Achievement grant, and this is the fourth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Rural Education Achievement Program provides rural local education agencies with financial assistance to fund initiatives aimed at improving student academic achievement. FSMA will use these funds to ensure that students have access to the technology necessary to succeed in computer science classes. Funding will support the purchase of student devices for a one-to-one technology initiative that supports the school's core subjects as well as mathematics programming and English language learners.

This year's objectives include:

- Improving mathematics programming by utilizing evidence-based curricula,
- Providing high quality professional development for school leaders and teachers about a project-based learning approach in mathematics, and
- Improving the use of digital resources for English as a Second Language (ESL) students to help them learn high school mathematics.



Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee February 27, 2024

The February 26, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for January projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:02 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Courtney Stewart, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

2024-01-23-01, Battery Electric Vehicle Grant
Peter Korolyk, Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Fleet Management

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. <u>6204, Blades Groundwater Remedial Design Operable Unit 2</u>
Amy Bryson, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. 6195, Expanding the Public Health Workforce Within the Disability Network – ARP

Elisha Jenkins, Kathryn Burritt, and Todd Chappelle, Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Vocational Rehabilitation Services

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

 5971 Amendment, Air National Guard Security Guard Agreement - Position Requests

Tina Ferguson, CMSgt Chad Snader, and SMSgt Sean Lind, Delaware National Guard

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Representative Kimberly Williams, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6206 The Emergency Food Assistance Program Commodity Credit Corporation
- 6205 High Intensity Drug Trafficking
- 3. 5759 Amendment Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program
- 4. 6170 Small, Underserved and Disadvantaged Communities Emerging Contaminants
 IIJA
- 5. 6190 Sexual Violence Prevention and Education
- 6. 6192 Primary Care Services Resource Coordination and Development of Primary Care Offices
- 7. 6207 Personal Responsibility Education Program
- 8. 6208 Universal Newborn Hearing Screening
- 6209 Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmer's Market Nutrition Program -Administration
- 10. 6210 Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmer's Market Nutrition Program Food
- 11. 4160 Amendment Delmarva Fox Squirrel Conservation Plan Implementation
- 12. 6102 Amendment State Clean Diesel Grant Program
- 13. 6202 Trade Adjustment Assistance
- 14. 6203 Preschool Development Grant

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve Continued Business Items 1-14. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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CCC:sn

Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting February 26, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 2024-01-23-01

PROJECT TITLE: Battery Electric Vehicle Grant

CFDA NUMBER: Not Applicable

APPLICANT: Office of Management and Budget, Fleet Management

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Fleet Management has applied to the Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility – Energize Delaware for \$300,000 for a two-year grant period of the Battery Electric Vehicle Grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be used to cover the anticipated price differential for traditional internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles compared to battery electric vehicles (BEV), and to complete several demonstration projects to encourage BEV vehicle adoption. Focus will be on certain groups of vehicles (sport utility vehicles, transit vans, and pick-up trucks) that are exempt from future mandated zero emission vehicle integration legislation to encourage early adoption of BEVs by groups that are currently exempt from pending legislation. Fleet Management will work with State agencies to identify vehicles that are near the end of useful life and collaboratively decide if BEV vehicle replacement may be a good option. It is estimated that grant funds may support the purchase of up to 20 BEV vehicles.

Grant funds may be used for the following items:

- Purchase BEV vehicles for state use;
- Complete demonstration projects to encourage BEV adoption; and
- Work with State agencies to identify end of life cycle vehicles that may be a candidate for BEV replacement.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6204

PROJECT TITLE: Blades Groundwater Remedial Design Operable Unit 2

CFDA NUMBER: 66.802

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous

Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances has applied the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response for \$14,406 for a two-year period of the Blades Groundwater Remedial Design Operable Unit 2 grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.05 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

DNREC is the Support Agency for this fund lead enforcement site. The purpose of this new cooperative agreement is to provide funding for the support activities conducted by the state during the Remedial Design phase at the site located in the town of Blades, Sussex County, Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide oversight of Pre-Remedial Design and cultural heritage investigation activities;
- Review Remedial Design documents, cultural resource agreements, and all correspondence and technical documents exchanged;
- Review status reports and monitor results; and
- Assist the EPA's Project Manager to evaluate the attainment of the cleanup standard for the site.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6195

PROJECT TITLE: Expanding the Public Health Workforce Within the Disability

Network - ARP

CFDA NUMBER: 93.369

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Vocational

Rehabilitation Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Vocational Rehabilitation Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living (ACL) for \$121,081 for a 31-month grant period of the Expanding the Public Health Workforce within the Disability Network grant, and this is the first year of the program. This funding is part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act signed by the President on March 11, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation serves as the Designated State Entity and contract agent for funds awarded to the Delaware Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC). The SILC will collaborate with the Delaware Healthcare Association (DHA) to establish public health workforce at the DHA to further the aims of the grant in serving and supporting individuals with disabilities and the aging population across the state of Delaware. The Council will also continue to work with the Non-Acute Long-Stay Patient Task Force to address the growing issue of individuals no longer requiring acute care services remaining in a long care status in acute care settings.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Work with DHA and Task Force members to complete a comprehensive investigation into the root cause issues leading to long stays to explore potential solutions to mitigate risks of long-stay acute care hospitalization;
- Identify resources including home and community-based services, and barriers to accessing these resources that lead to long-term stays in acute care hospitals and long-term care facilities and incorporate into the key element of the State Plan for Independent Living to advance community-based services and supports;
- Prepare a report of systematic transformation recommendations in coordination with the Task Force to inform and advance policy makers and state agencies in developing meaningful reform; and
- Work directly with the Delaware Healthcare Preparedness Coalition (HPC) and engage in emergency and disaster planning incorporating key needs of individuals with disabilities and the aging population in planning.

4. SAI NUMBER: 5971 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Air National Guard Security Guard Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 12.401

APPLICANT: Delaware National Guard

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware National Guard has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense, National Guard Bureau and received a total federal request of \$1,920,052 for a two-year period of the Air National Guard (ANG) Security Guard Agreement, and this is the 71st year of the program. There is no required state contribution, and the total overall project support remains \$1,920,052. This project previously budgeted 21.00 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. This amendment requests 4.00 new NSF FTEs, Security Officer, to meet minimum staffing requirements per the Maintenance Agreement. Existing federal funding is sufficient to fund these positions for the remainder of the grant period and subsequent federal funding requests will be based on this level of staffing. Audit fees were previously budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This agreement provides funding for 24-hour security guard protection for Delaware ANG personnel, aircraft, facilities, and equipment at the ANG base in New Castle, Delaware. The main objective for the Air National Guard Security Guard Agreement is to successfully continue to protect the Delaware Air National Guard's personnel, aircraft, and facilities. This agreement is anticipated to sustain all of the positions funded as future federal budget allocations are based on current manning.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A request for 4.00 new NSF FTEs, Security Officer, is included with this amendment request to meet minimum staffing requirements of the Air National Guard Security Guard Agreement and those of the current Force Protection Condition to ensure proper coverage across all shifts. The positions will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or

reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. The positions will ensure normal and emergency situations are handled in accordance with directives; control entry to the installation; perform Base Defense Operations Center duties such as issuing instructions during emergency situations; participate in tactical defense postures as a member of a quick reaction force; train in environmental protection, HAZMAT, disaster control and relieve operations; respond to alarms and incidents; and determine initial disposition of suspects involved in criminal activity.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6206

PROJECT TITLE: The Emergency Food Assistance Program Commodity Credit

Corporation

CFDA NUMBER: 10.187

APPLICANT: Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food

Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for \$132,000 for a one-year period for The Emergency Food Assistance Program Commodity Credit Corporation grant, and this is the second year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) provides additional food resources and operational support for emergency feeding programs nationwide due to the continued need for emergency food assistance. Commodity foods received by Delaware will be shipped directly to the Food Bank of Delaware and will then be distributed to various eligible agencies and individuals by the Food Bank. 100 percent of the funds will be disbursed to the Food Bank of Delaware as reimbursement for distribution and storage costs for the commodity foods.

The objective of this grant is to distribute in an equitable and timely manner USDA Foods offered to the Food Bank of Delaware for further distribution to all eligible recipients. Last year the Food Distribution program made 2,997,482 pounds of food valued at \$4,087,950.83 available to all recipients by direct delivery. Foods included fruits, vegetables, meat, fish, poultry and basic staples.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6205

PROJECT TITLE: High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program

CFDA NUMBER: 95.001

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice has applied to the U.S. Executive Office of the President for \$142,234 for a two-year grant period for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program grant, and this is the eighth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The HIDTA program provides funds to reduce drug trafficking and drug production in the United States by facilitating cooperation among federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to share information and implement coordinated enforcement activities; enhancing law enforcement intelligence sharing among agencies; and supporting coordinated law enforcement strategies. This year's objective is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs by dismantling drug trafficking and/or money laundering operations.

3. SAI NUMBER: 5759 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.566

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for an additional \$5,334,252 bringing the total project support to \$5,920,452 for a two-year grant period for the Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program, and this is the 42nd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides social services, cash and medical assistance to refugees settling in Delaware. The purpose is to aid effective resettlement and rapid economic self-sufficiency.

The number of refugee arrivals in the country is determined by the federal government; refugees may also be entering this program as secondary migrants to Delaware from other states. The program expects to work with approximately 3,000 refugees during Federal Fiscal Year 2024 compared to providing services for an estimated 150 plus refugees in 2023.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6170

PROJECT TITLE: Small, Underserved, and Disadvantaged Communities

Emerging Contaminants - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.442

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health (DPH), Community Health has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for \$19,407,000 for a five-year period of the Small, Underserved, and Disadvantaged Communities (SUDC) Emerging Contaminants -IIJA grant, and this is the second year of the program. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) that was signed into law on November 15, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and have been budgeted, and indirect costs do not apply.

Grant funds in the first two years will be used for subawards to small or disadvantaged public water systems, state agencies, and non-profits to sample source water and to begin planning and design for remediation. Year three and subsequent years funding will be used to implement remediation measures where the per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) levels exceed EPA or state health advisories. Household water quality testing will be done to monitor and to provide households with access to drinking water services. PFAS are widely used, long lasting chemicals, components of which break down very slowly over time and exposure to these chemicals may be harmful to humans and animals.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Sample source water for all identified SUDC for PFAS, and begin planning and design for needed remediation;
- Conduct and provide feasibility studies, treatment analysis, and infrastructure placement in fourteen identified communities and non-profits serving over 148,000 Delawareans; and
- Increase awareness and public education about emerging contaminants, specifically PFAs.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6190

PROJECT TITLE: Sexual Violence Prevention and Education

CFDA NUMBER: 93.136

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$250,286 for a one-year grant period of the Sexual Violence Prevention and Education grant, and this is the 23rd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be used to implement primary prevention strategies to prevent sexual violence. This includes conducting prevention programs throughout the State and engaging in public awareness activities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Implement sexual violence prevention strategies using a public health approach;
- Facilitate increased use of evaluation and surveillance data at state and local levels to further understand potential impacts of outer-layer programs and policy efforts being implemented;
- Engage stakeholders in planning and capacity-building to facilitate integration of prevention into state planning and infrastructure to ensure sustainability of efforts;
- Align Rape Prevention and Education efforts with complementary efforts in Delaware; and
- Reduce rates of sexual violence perpetration and victimization through utilization of a public health approach.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6192

PROJECT TITLE: Primary Care Services Resource Coordination and Development

of Primary Care Offices

CFDA NUMBER: 93.130

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$158,844 for a one-year grant period of the Primary Care Services Resource Coordination and Development of Primary Care Offices grant, and this is the 29th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to improve access to primary care service delivery and workforce availability to meet the needs of underserved and vulnerable populations in Delaware. These funds support Federally Qualified Health Centers and other safety-net providers in their efforts to increase their capacity to treat underserved patients.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Ensure that at least 50 healthcare recruiters and advocates participate in an education and training program about the resources available to recruit and retain qualified healthcare professionals;
- Ensure that at least 20 healthcare providers will be placed in an underserved area through one of the recruitment programs; and
- Ensure that 100 percent of the geographic service areas and facilities requiring update or designation have been completed.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6207

PROJECT TITLE: Personal Responsibility Education Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.092

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$250,000 for a one-year grant period of the Personal Responsibility Education Program, and this is the 15th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program will use evidence-based, effective program models to promote positive behavior change in adolescents that may delay the initiation of first-time sexual intercourse and reduce the risks of unintended pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS infections. The program will also increase the utilization of school and community-based prevention services by providing implementation and expansion of services in high-risk areas of teen birth, STDs and HIV/AIDS rates.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Facilitate training programs for new Champion Teachers;
- Facilitate two parent workshops one each for foster care parents and the Latino/a/x community;
- Provide Making Proud Choices in at least eight middle schools and nine community sites;
- Provide Be Proud! Be Responsible! programs in at least 13 high schools and nine community sites; and
- Offer ten parent education workshops with a minimum of one per county serving a minimum of 25 parents.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6208

PROJECT TITLE: Universal Newborn Hearing Screening

CFDA NUMBER: 93.251

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$235,000 for a one-year grant of the Universal Newborn Hearing Screening grant, and the 23rd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to develop a comprehensive and coordinated statewide Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) system of care target towards ensuring that newborns, infants and young children who are deaf or hard-of-hearing (DHH) receive appropriate and timely services.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Establish partnerships for referral, training and information sharing;
- Develop a state plan to expand infrastructure, including data collection and reporting for hearing screening children up to age three;
- Achieve at least 95 percent screening rate, or increase by 1 percent baseline per year, the number of infants that completed a newborn hearing screening no later than 1 month of age;
- Achieve at least 85 percent screening rate, or increase by 10 percent from baseline, the number of infants that completed a diagnostic audiological evaluation no later than 3 months of age; and
- Achieve at least 80 percent screening rate, or increase by 15 percent from baseline, the number of infants identified to be DHH that are enrolled in early intervention services no later than 6 months of age.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6209

PROJECT TITLE: Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmers' Market

Nutrition Program – Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 10.572

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$65,803 for a one-year grant period of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) – Administration grant, and this is the eleventh year of the project. A total of \$387,079 was applied for and is split between two activities, SAI 6209 Administration (\$65,803) and SAI 6210 Food (\$321,276). A required state contribution of \$22,799 brings the total project support to \$88,602. There is 0.34 GF FTE associated with this portion of the grant which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program is designed to provide fresh fruits and vegetables to eligible WIC participants and to expand the use of local farmers' markets. Eligible WIC participants will receive \$30 to buy produce at authorized Delaware farmers' markets. Participants will also be provided with the nutrition education at the time they receive the benefit. The division of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture will work in partnership to offer this program.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Certify and provide training to 26 farmers' markets in Delaware;

• Provide FMNP benefits to 8,000 WIC participants; and

• Provide nutrition education to all program participants.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6210

PROJECT TITLE: Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmers' Market

Nutrition Program – Food

CFDA NUMBER: 10.572

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$321,276 for a one-year grant period of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (FMNP), and this is the eleventh year of the project. A total of \$387,079 was applied for and is split between two activities, SAI 6209 Administration (\$65,803) and SAI 6210 Food (\$321,276). There is no required state match. There are no positions associated with this portion of the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program is designed to provide fresh fruits and vegetables to eligible WIC participants and to expand the use of local farmers' markets. Eligible WIC participants will receive \$30 to buy produce at authorized Delaware farmers' markets. Participants will also be provided with the nutrition education at the time they receive the benefit. The division of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture will work in partnership to offer this program.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Certify and provide training to 26 farmers' markets in Delaware;

• Provide FMNP benefits to 8,000 WIC participants; and

• Provide nutrition education to all program participants.

11. SAI NUMBER: 4160 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Delmarva Fox Squirrel Conservation Plan Implementation

CFDA NUMBER: 15.634

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for an additional \$292,826 for a five-year grant period of the Delmarva Fox Squirrel Conservation Plan Implementation and the third year of the project. A required state contribution of \$97,607 brings the total additional project support to \$390,433. There are 0.12 NSF, 0.02 GF and 0.25 ASF FTEs associated with this grant,

which are included in the department's authorized compliment. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides funding to increase and sustain Delmarva Fox Squirrel (DFS) populations in Delaware with the goal of recovering the species so that it can removed from the State's endangered species list and the Species of Greatest Conservation Need list in the Delaware Wildlife Action Plan.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Translocate 120 DFS to four locations in Delaware;
- Monitor the success of the translocated squirrels using radio-telemetry on all squirrels at four locations;
- Conduct photo-monitoring to determine presence/absence of DFS in ten woodlands;
- Conduct population monitoring with mark-recapture methods at four locations;
- Manage/create three databases related to the work outlined in the grant;
- Inform 3,000 people about the translocation effort and solicit reports of DFS;
- Participate on two technical committees;
- Provide technical assistance regarding managing habitat for DFS to 250 individuals;
- Provide technical assistance regarding managing habitat for DFS to eight organizations; and
- Engage five organizations in the effort to support DFS conservation in Delaware.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6102 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: State Clean Diesel Grant Program

CFDA NUMBER: 66.040

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Office of Environmental

Protection, Air Quality

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of the Secretary, Office of Environmental Protection, Air Quality, has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for and additional \$617,340 bringing the federal support to \$653,700 for a four-year period of the State Clean Diesel Grant Program, and this is the 13th year of the program. An additional required match of \$411,560 brings the required match to \$520,310 and the total overall project support to \$1,174,010. Matching funds will be provided by project partners. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees previously budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Clean Diesel Grant Program aims to reduce diesel emissions and improve air quality across Delaware. Year one grant funding will be used to replace one model year 2009 diesel school bus with School Mule, Inc. For this year two amendment, DNREC Division of Air Quality plans to seek out additional eligible projects to utilize funding from

the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act grant. Project partners will be responsible for paying any mandatory cost shares. Projects associated with this grant reduce diesel emissions and result in improved air quality.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6202

PROJECT TITLE: Trade Adjustment Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 17.245

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$100,000 for a three-year grant period of the Trade Adjustment Assistance program, and this is the 12th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Trade Adjustment Assistance program offers a variety of benefits and services to support workers who have lost their jobs because of foreign trade. Services provided include job training, income support, job search and relocation allowances, a tax credit to help pay the cost of health insurance, and a wage supplement to certain unemployed workers 50 years of age and older.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6203

PROJECT TITLE: Preschool Development Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.434

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Early Childhood Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Early Childhood Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$8,000,000 for a one-year grant period of the Preschool Development Grant (PDG), and this is the third year of the program. A required state contribution of \$2,400,000 brings the total project support to \$10,400,000. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be used to address the State's early childhood priorities identified through the PDG Birth through Five (PDG B-5) Needs Assessment and for strategic planning. This grant will support updates to the PDG B-5 Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan; maximize parent engagement; support workforce best practices; support program quality improvement; and expand access to achieve the State's vision of an inclusive integrated early childhood mixed delivery system that supports the growth, development and learning of all children, birth through age five and their families.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve resources and information available to parents and families to support their children's development and navigate the early childhood system through resources and partners;
- Improve recruitment and development of early childhood professionals through career pathways to increase the high-quality interactions professionals have with children;
- Improve compensation and retention of the early childhood workforce to expand the capacity of inclusive programs and services for children who have the highest needs; and
- Improve the systems of data collection and needs assessment that drive innovative planning, continuous improvement of policies, and the efficient allocation of resources.



Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee April 4, 2024

The March 26, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for February projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:03 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative
The Honorable Stephanie Bolden, Representative
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Courtney Stewart, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

6201, African American Civil Rights History Grant
 Amy Golden-Shepherd, Department of State, Office of the Director, Historic Preservation

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

- 6211, Delaware Natural Estuarine Research Reserve Restoration of Habitat at Blackbird Creek - IIJA Stricken per agency request.
- 3. 2024-01-03-01, Local Government First Responder Electric Vehicle Grant Sgt John Wheatley, Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, Transportation

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Deputy Director Courtney Stewart, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

 6095 Amendment, Urban and Community Forestry - Core Program (2.00 NSF Positions Request)

Kyle Hoyd, Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

6266, Child Nutrition Program Technology Innovation
 Casey Oravez, Aimee Beam and Brittany Coleman, Department of Education,
 Student Support

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Controller General Ruth Ann Miller, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6230 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas
- 2. 6219 National and State Tobacco Control Program
- 3. 3798 Amendment Habitat Development Program
- 4. 5046 Amendment Clean Cities Coalition Grant
- 5. 6198 Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program
- 6. 6221 Section 154 Sanction Grant
- 7. 5250 Amendment Public Assistance Hurricane Ida
- 8. 6223 Delaware Aviation System Planning
- 9. 6228 Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program
- 10. 6092 Amendment Forest Health
- 11. 6093 Amendment Forest Stewardship
- 12. 6094 Amendment State Fire Assistance
- 13. 6096 Amendment Volunteer Fire Assistance

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve Continued Business Items 1-13. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting March 26, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6201

PROJECT TITLE: African American Civil Rights History Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 15.904

APPLICANT: Department of State, Office of the Director, Historic

Preservation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of State, Office of the Director, Historic Preservation has applied to the U.S. Department of State, National Park Service for \$75,000 for a three-year grant period of the African American Civil Rights History grant, and this is the first year of the project. A discretionary state contribution of \$12,294 brings the total project support to \$87,294. This project requires 0.10 ASF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project intends to ensure that people have access to more stories of resistance and resilience in the African American community during the struggle for civil rights and equality during a time of legally imposed school segregation. Grant funds will be used to build on a project that started in 2020 that highlighted stories of seven students who attended segregated schools by conducting additional interviews in an effort to continue to collect, preserve, and share the stories of individuals who were students during segregation and the civil rights movement.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Record interviews with 9-12 people who attended DuPont schools as children during the civil rights movement;
- Digitize photos or documents provided by interviewees;
- Update the *Locating Delaware's DuPont School Story Map* located on the Historical and Cultural Affairs website; and
- Provide a full and complete history of the impact of Jim Crowe laws on Delaware education through the eyes of those who attended segregated schools.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6211

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Natural Estuarine Research Reserve Restoration

of Habitat at Blackbird Creek - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 11.473

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection; Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

This proposal was removed from consideration by agency due to not receiving the award.

3. SAI NUMBER: 2024-01-03-01

PROJECT TITLE: Local Government First Responder Electric Vehicle Grant

CFDA NUMBER: Not Applicable

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police,

Transportation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police (DSP), Transportation has applied to the Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility – Energize Delaware for \$169,265 for a two-year grant period of the Local Government First Responder Electric Vehicle Grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution; however, DSP has received \$15,000 from the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control through a Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) state grant to supplement the purchase of charging stations. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funding will be used to establish a pilot program for the purchase of two electric patrol vehicles and install three charging stations to build infrastructure to move toward a fleet committed to clean energy. The approval of this grant begins the process of not only purchasing electric vehicles, but also beginning to foster a new vision for the future of the State Police vehicle fleet and commitment to clean energy.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Purchase two electric patrol vehicles;
- Install three charging stations; and
- Provide repair and maintenance training for Division mechanics.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6095 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Urban and Community Forestry

CFDA NUMBER: 10.675

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and was awarded \$395,000 for a four-year grant period of the Urban Community Forestry program, and this is the 24th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. The amendment does not increase the awarded amount but reallocates within the existing budget. The department is requesting 2.00 new

NSF FTEs, Forester and Management Analyst II, across its five core Forestry grants (portions shown below). Audit fees were previously budgeted and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Urban and Community Forestry program seeks to promote natural resource management in populated areas and improve quality of life by focusing on achieving healthy and sustainable forests, enhanced economic development, and management of data and other information. The program assists individuals in urban areas and community settings with sustaining shade trees, forest lands, and open spaces by providing financial, technical, educational, and related assistance to state foresters to support communities with planning urban forestry programs.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase urban tree canopies;
- Promote urban waste wood utilization;
- Increase the number of urban forestry professionals working in Delaware;
- Increase the number of urban and community forests that are sustainably managed;
- Increase landowner and government knowledge and appreciation of the urban forests and urban forestry management; and
- Increase teacher and student understanding and appreciation of urban forests.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A total of 2.00 new NSF FTEs are being requested for the Forestry's five annual core grants (portions below). The positions will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. This amendment requests 0.95 NSF Forester and 0.40 NSF Management Analyst II. The Forester position will provide technical urban forestry assistance to cities, towns, communities, and homeowners, including assisting with the community forestry grant program. The Management Analyst II will work with the grant managers to provide reports for programmatic objectives for providing analytical data and reporting measures to program managers, administrators, and our federal counterparts.

		Proposed NSF Position	
SAI	Grant Title	Forester	Management Analyst II
6092 Amendment	FY24 Forest Health	0.03	0.05
6093 Amendment	FY24 Forest Stewardship	0.02	0.15
6094 Amendment	FY24 State Fire Assistance		0.30
6095 Amendment	FY24 Urban & Community Forestry	0.95	0.40
6096 Amendment	FY24 Volunteer Fire Assistance		0.10
Total		1.00	1.00

5. SAI NUMBER: 6266

PROJECT TITLE: Child Nutrition Program Technology Innovation

CFDA NUMBER: 10.541

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education (DOE), Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services for \$373,134 for a three-year grant period for the Child Nutrition Program Technology Innovation Grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There no positions associated with the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be sub-awarded to the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), Division of Social Services. DOE and DHSS are tasked with implementing the federal Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (SEBT) program in the summer of 2024 pursuant to the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023. Grant funds will be used to develop, test, and implement improvements to the existing EBT system to operate and manage all Child Nutrition (CN) Programs (i.e., School Meal Programs, Summer Food Service Program, and Child and Adult Care Food Program) and to develop a statewide database by 2025. System improvements will provide SEBT benefit issuances, such as eligibility system functionality, client notifications, online applications, benefits processing, and system interfaces.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improving and maintaining information technology systems to allow 80,000 eligible Delaware children to apply for and receive SEBT benefits; and
- Develop and implement a statewide database for SEBT system operations by summer 2025.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6230

PROJECT TITLE: High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program

CFDA NUMBER: 95.001

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice has applied to the U.S. Executive Office of the President for \$130,842 for a one-year grant period for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program grant, and the ninth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The HIDTA program provides funds to reduce drug trafficking and drug production in the United States by facilitating cooperation among federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to share information and implement coordinated enforcement activities; enhancing law enforcement intelligence sharing among agencies; and supporting coordinated law enforcement strategies. This year's objective is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs by dismantling drug trafficking and/or money laundering operations.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6219

PROJECT TITLE: National and State Tobacco Control Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.387

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for \$991,511 for a one-year period of the National & State Tobacco Control Program grant, and this is the fifth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 5.00 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to implement evidenced-based environmental, policy and systems interventions, strategies, and activities to reduce tobacco use, secondhand smoke exposure, tobacco-related disparities and associated disease, disability, and death.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Award 20-25 community-based organizations and municipalities funding to implement and enforce interventions and strategies to support quitting and reduce exposure to secondhand smoke;
- Increase referrals from mental health providers to the Quitline by 15 percent; and
- Provide at least three technical assistance workshops on tobacco prevention and control.

3. SAI NUMBER: 3798 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Habitat Development Program

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for an additional \$618,750 for a five-year grant period of the Habitat Development Program, and this is the 69th year of funding. A required state contribution of \$206,250 brings the total program support to \$825,000. When combined with the original request of \$9,000,000, total project support for this program is \$9,825,000. This program requires 1.03 NSF, 0.14 GF FTEs and 0.67 ASF which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs were previously budgeted.

This program provides funds for the operation of 20 state wildlife management areas. Activities include habitat management, infrastructure maintenance and operation of

hunting programs. This year's objectives are to manage, develop and maintain approximately 58,764 acres of state-owned and managed wildlife areas and to provide access for hunting, trapping and wildlife dependent activities on over 61,441 acres of state-owned and managed wildlife areas and hunting easements. This Amendment is a revision to the existing grant to correct the budget and add funds for expenses that were not originally anticipated when the grant was submitted (e.g., position work duty adjustments, base salary increases, equipment purchases, and six-month grant extension).

4. SAI NUMBER: 5046 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Clean Cities Coalition Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 81.086

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and

Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy for an additional \$55,000 for a five-year period for the Clean Cities Coalition Programmatic Support grant, and this is the 11th year of the program bringing the total project support to \$150,000.00. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Clean Cities Coalition Programmatic Support grant provides funding for the Delaware Clean State Coalition and is administered by the Division of Energy and Climate. The Coalition was formed to accelerate the development of sustainable fuels markets, accelerate the use of anti-idle reduction technologies, increase the deployment of alternatively fueled vehicles and promote customer choice on fuel economy.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Data-collection, reporting and assessment of Delaware Clean State Coalition activities:
- Development of an annual report, quarterly alternative fuels prices and a 12-month operating plan; and
- Participation in monthly regional conference calls, webcasts, e-mails, and webinars.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6198

PROJECT TITLE: Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 20.218

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police,

Traffic

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, Traffic has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration for \$1,849,251 for a three-year grant period for the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP), and this is the 38th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$97,329 brings the total project support to \$1,946,580. The project requires 7.30 NSF and 0.30 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The main objective of MCSAP is to enhance highway safety by preventing commercial vehicle related crashes and ensuring the safe, secure transportation of people and property by commercial motor vehicles on highways. The State Police plan to continue inspections targeting passenger and hazmat carriers, maintain level of commercial vehicle inspections, and maintain highly visible commercial motor vehicle traffic enforcement and inspections at high commercial vehicle crash locations. Activities are focused to identify equipment failure, driver error, and poor safety practices of motor carriers with the goal of reducing the number of crashes each year.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Traffic enforcement, inspections, conducting safety audits, educational presentations and outreach programs;
- Virtual weigh station preventative maintenance at four sites, flat tire detection system maintenance, automated thermal imaging system maintenance and SRIS server hosting fees; and
- Maintain the commercial motor vehicle related crash database and State safety data as reported to MCSAP.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6221

PROJECT TITLE: Section 154 Sanction Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 20.607

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$1,399,396 for a three-year grant period for the Section 154 Sanction Grant, and this is the 25th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 154 Sanction Grant is a portion of funds directed to Highway Safety from the U.S. Department of Transportation, which represents a portion of Delaware's allocation of federal highway construction funds. These funds are diverted from the Delaware Department of Transportation due to Delaware's lack of a compliant open container law. Funding will be used to support impaired driving enforcement, outreach efforts aimed at encouraging motorists not to drive impaired, the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor

Program, DUI Training and law enforcement impaired driving detection equipment. This year's objective is to reduce impaired driving fatalities so that alcohol impaired fatalities are reduced from a five-year average of 32 to 31.5 for the current fiscal year.

7. SAI NUMBER: 5250 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Public Assistance DR-4627 – Hurricane Ida

CFDA NUMBER: 97.036

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for an additional \$3,131,382 bringing the federal support to \$6,131,382 for a four-and-a-half-year grant period for the Public Assistance DR-4627 – Hurricane Ida Program, and this is the first year of the project. The required cost-share has been reduced from 25 percent (\$1,000,000) to 10 percent (\$679,037) and the overall project support total to \$6,810,419. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Public Assistance Program was authorized under the federal Stafford Act to provide disaster relief reimbursement funds to state and local governments to assist in the response to and recovery from federally declared disasters. Disaster declaration DR-4627 was declared for New Castle County, Delaware on October 24, 2021, after the County was impacted by Hurricane Ida on September 1 and 2, 2021. Funds are used to reimburse state, local, municipal and some private non-profit agencies for 90 percent of expenses covered under the declaration. DEMA acts as a pass-through agency to distribute the federal reimbursement funds to state and local public assistance applicants with approved project worksheets. The following public assistance categories are eligible for reimbursement under the disaster declaration: debris recovery, emergency protective measures, roads and bridges, water control facilities, public buildings, public utilities, and parks and recreational facilities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Restore impacted facilities to their pre-disaster design and function;
- Received 41 projects and 33 have been completed and obligated; and
- Remaining eight projects awaiting obligation and completion.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6223

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Aviation System Planning

CFDA NUMBER: 20.106

APPLICANT: Department of Transportation, Planning

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT), Planning has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for \$48,150 for a four-year grant period of the Delaware Aviation System Planning grant, and this is the 12th year of the project. A required state match of \$5,350 brings the total project support to \$53,500. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funding supports the Airport Operations Counting Program through the development of a report to document the annualized airport operations counts. Operations counts are critical to planning efforts involving physical, financial, and environmental studies. The counts will be included in the Airport Master Record 5010 safety inspections of the FAA's public airports.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Make seasonal adjustment to the survey numbers taking into account weather considerations and use of other data collected during the grant-period;
- Compile a report on the Aircraft Counting Program; and
- Deliver a 3D digital map showing airspace data on top of aerial imagery.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6228

PROJECT TITLE: Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.576

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$60,000 for a one-year grant period of the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program, and this is the sixth year of the project. There are no positions associated with this grant. There is no required state contribution. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The objective of this program is to provide low-income Delaware seniors with fresh and nutritious fruits, vegetables, honey, and herbs from local farmers markets. This program also works with the Department of Health and Human Service's Women, Infant and Children Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (WIC-FMNP). By expanding or aiding in the expansion of domestic farmers markets, this grant also includes domestic consumption of agricultural commodities. The objective for this program is to serve 1080 low-income seniors by providing each individual with \$50.00 in vouchers that can be used at 14 farmers' markets and/or 12 on-farm markets located throughout the state.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6092 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Forest Health

CFDA NUMBER: 10.680

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and was awarded \$395,000 for a four-year grant period of the Forest Health program, and this is the 25th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. The amendment does not increase the awarded amount but reallocates within the existing budget. The department is requesting 2.00 new NSF FTEs (Forester and Management Analyst II) across its five core Forestry grants (portions shown below). Audit fees were previously budgeted and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Forest Health Management and Monitoring program funding assists Delaware in conducting forest health management activities on non-federal forest lands to achieve healthy and sustainable forests. Forest health management activities include detecting, monitoring, and evaluating forest health condition on state and private lands.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct surveys for prevalent forest pests within Delaware's 375,000 acres of forest land;
- Perform hands-on forest pest/forest health training to DFS personnel; and
- Provide the public with timely information regarding forest health problems and issues.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A total of 2.00 new NSF FTEs are being requested for the Forestry's five annual core grants (portions below). The positions will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. This amendment requests 0.03 NSF Forester and 0.05 NSF Management Analyst II. The Forester position will provide technical urban forestry assistance to cities, towns, communities, and homeowners, including assisting with the community forestry grant program. The Management Analyst II will work with the grant managers to provide reports for programmatic objectives for providing analytical data and reporting measures to program managers, administrators, and our federal counterparts.

		Proposed NSF Position	
SAI	Grant Title	Forester	Management Analyst II
6092 Amendment	FY24 Forest Health	0.03	0.05
6093 Amendment	FY24 Forest Stewardship	0.02	0.15
6094 Amendment	FY24 State Fire Assistance		0.30
6095 Amendment	FY24 Urban & Community Forestry	0.95	0.40
6096 Amendment	FY24 Volunteer Fire Assistance		0.10
Total		1.00	1.00

11. SAI NUMBER: 6093 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Forest Stewardship

CFDA NUMBER: 10.678

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and was awarded \$113,252 for a three-year grant period of the Forest Stewardship program, and this is the 24th year of the project. This grant represents an increase to the base grant amount from the previous year's awarded amount of \$110,173. There is no required state contribution. The amendment does not increase the award amount but reallocates within the existing budget. The department is requesting 2.00 new NSF FTEs (Forester and Management Analyst II) across its five core Forestry grants (portions shown below). Audit fees were previously budgeted and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Forest Stewardship Program (FSP) encourages long-term stewardship of non-federal, nonindustrial private forest lands, particularly in priority landscape areas that have been identified in the Delaware Forest Resource Assessment and Strategy. In cooperation with the Delaware Stewardship Coordinating Committee, the FSP promotes healthy forests, sustainable management and sustainable economic development.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Maintain an updated, accurate inventory of Delaware's forests, including forest types/species, age, growth, and removals;
- Maintain and improve water quality through forest establishment, forested buffers, forest restoration, and protecting hardwater forests;
- Maintain, and wherever possible, improve forest health;
- Promote the importance of Delaware's forests and forest industry; and
- Maintain and expand the opportunities for the traditional forest markets and operators.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A total of 2.00 new NSF FTEs are being requested for the Forestry's five annual core grants (portions below). The positions will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. This amendment requests 0.02 NSF Forester and 0.15 NSF Management Analyst II. The Forester position will provide technical urban forestry assistance to cities, towns, communities, and homeowners, including assisting with the community forestry grant program. The Management Analyst II will work with the grant managers to provide reports for programmatic objectives for providing analytical data and reporting measures to program managers, administrators, and our federal counterparts.

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SAI	Grant Title	Forester	Management Analyst II	
6092 Amendment	FY24 Forest Health	0.03	0.05	
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6094 Amendment	FY24 State Fire Assistance		0.30	
6095 Amendment	FY24 Urban & Community Forestry	0.95	0.40	
6096 Amendment	FY24 Volunteer Fire Assistance		0.10	

Total 1.00 1.00

12. SAI NUMBER: 6094 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: State Fire Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 10.664

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and was awarded \$395,000 for a four-year grant period of the State Fire Assistance program, and this is the 24th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. The amendment does not increase the awarded amount but reallocates within the existing budget. The department is requesting 2.00 new NSF FTEs (Forester and Management Analyst II) across its five core Forestry grants (portions shown below). Audit fees were previously budgeted and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The State Fire Assistance program addresses critical preparedness needs and hazard mitigation. The funding is intended to increase the amount of forests and grasslands restored to or maintained in a healthy sustainable condition with reduced risk and damage from fires, insects and diseases and invasive species.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve the knowledge base associated with community fire risk;
- Help communities to prepare for and prevent wildland fires; and
- Work with agencies to improve their suppression capabilities within the community.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A total of 2.00 new NSF FTEs are being requested for the Forestry's five annual core grants (portions below). The positions will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. This amendment requests 0.30 NSF Management Analyst II. The Management Analyst II will work with the grant managers to provide reports for programmatic objectives for providing analytical data and reporting measures to program managers, administrators, and our federal counterparts.

		Proposed NSF Position	
SAI	Grant Title	Forester	Management Analyst II
6092 Amendment	FY24 Forest Health	0.03	0.05
6093 Amendment	FY24 Forest Stewardship	0.02	0.15
6094 Amendment	FY24 State Fire Assistance		0.30
6095 Amendment	FY24 Urban & Community Forestry	0.95	0.40
6096 Amendment	FY24 Volunteer Fire Assistance		0.10
Total		1.00	1.00

13. SAI NUMBER: 6096 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Volunteer Fire Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 10.664

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and was awarded \$395,000 for a four-year grant period of the Volunteer Fire Assistance program, and this is the 24th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. The amendment does not increase the awarded amount but reallocates within the existing budget. The department is requesting 2.00 new NSF FTEs (Forester and Management Analyst II) across its five core Forestry grants (portions shown below). Audit fees were previously budgeted and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of the Volunteer Fire Assistance program is to prove financial, technical, and related assistance to State Foresters for organizing, training, and equipping rural fire departments. State Foresters pass funding through to local fire departments and fire training academies.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continue providing wildland fire suppression training to volunteer firefighters throughout Delaware and to state employees who may engage in wildland firefighting and prescribed burning activities;
- Sponsor the annual weekend Fire Camp at one of our State Forests to provide hands-on wildlife suppression training to volunteer firefighters and other state personnel; and
- Continue an equipment grant program to provide personal-protective-equipment (PPE), wildland firefighting tools, hose, and other equipment to volunteer fire companies within Delaware's wildland/urban interface.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A total of 2.00 new NSF FTEs are being requested for the Forestry's five annual core grants (portions below). The positions will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. This amendment requests 0.10 NSF Management Analyst II. The Management Analyst II will work with the grant managers to provide reports for programmatic objectives for providing analytical data and reporting measures to program managers, administrators, and our federal counterparts.

		Proposed NSF Position	
SAI	Grant Title	Forester	Management Analyst II
6092 Amendment	FY24 Forest Health	0.03	0.05
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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee April 17, 2024

The April 16, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for March projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:01 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative
The Honorable Stephanie Bolden, Representative
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Melissa Marlin, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Carla Cassell-Carter, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

1. <u>6246, Child Death and Fetal Infant Mortality Review Teams</u> Kim Liprie, Judicial, Maternal and Child Death Review

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. <u>6125, Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer System</u>
Jessica Horn, Department of Health & Social Services, Social Services

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. <u>6229, Fall National Dam Safety Program - IIJA</u>
Jesse Hayden and Joanna French, Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control, Watershed Stewardship

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Representative Kimberly Williams, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6234, Land and Water Conservation Fund Parks Administration

Robert Ehemann and Mike Tholstrup, Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control, Parks and Recreation

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

5. 6252, Weatherization Assistance Program - IIJA

Matthew Henderson, Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control, Climate, Coastal, and Energy

A MOTION was made by Senator Stephanie Hansen, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

6. 6237, Corridor Identification and Development Program

Bruce Demeter, Department of Transportation, Finance

A MOTION was made by Senator Stephanie Hansen, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

7. 6245, Exotic Wood Borer/ Bark Beetle Survey

Stephen Hauss, Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

A MOTION was made by Representative Stephanie Bolden, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 2024-02-28-01 Transformation Transfer Initiative
- 2. 5767 Amendment Refugee Social Service Case Program
- 3. 6254 DNA Capacity Enhancement & Backlog Reduction Program
- 4. 6240 Marine Debris Removal
- 5. 6247 Swine Health Improvement Plan (SHIP)
- 6. 6250 Animal Disease Traceability
- 7. 6260 Umbrella National Surveillance
- 8. 6241 Title I Part A Improving the Academic Achievement
- 9. 6242 Title II Part A Improving Teacher Quality
- 10. 6243 Title III English Acquisition
- 11. 6244 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B
- 12. 6248 Title IV Part A Student Support and Enrichment
- 13. 6249 Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education
- 14. 6253 now 6265 Lead Testing in School and Child Care Program Grant

A MOTION was made by Representative Stephanie Bolden, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve Continued Business Items 1-14. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely, Carla M. Casseu-Carta

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting April 16, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6246

PROJECT TITLE: Child Death and Fetal Infant Mortality Review

CFDA NUMBER: 93.110

APPLICANT: Judicial, Maternal and Child Death Review Commission

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Judicial, Maternal and Child Death Review Commission has applied to National Center for Fatality Review and Prevention who received an award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Maternal and Child Health Federal Consolidated Programs and subawarded \$50,050 for a one-year grant period of the Delaware Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Outreach and Recruitment Strategy, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Maternal and Child Death Review Commission was established to safeguard the health and safety of children and pregnant and postpartum persons by reviewing mortality statistics and experience gaps on case review teams impacting abilities to identify feasible recommendations that reflect the current clinical landscape. This grant intends to enhance the two case review teams for FIMR by implementing outreach and recruitment strategies to strengthen member recruitment and increase awareness of the FIMR program.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Host an in-person case review team member retreat and conduct a survey to promote learning, conduct qualitative feedback on FIMR, processes, and enhance member initiatives and improve policies and procedures;
- Set up meetings with hospital-based bereavement staff to discuss their internal perinatal loss practices;
- Set up introductory meetings with new partners to discuss the FIMR program with at least one group representing clinical providers;
- Identify three to five new potential FIMR partners to invite to join case review panels to coordinate family outreach;
- Track and disseminate FIMR findings and recommendations with partner.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6125

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer System

CFDA NUMBER: 10.559

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$1,012,313 for a one-year grant period of the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer System (EBT) grant, and the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$1,012,313 brings the total project support to \$2,024,626. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Summer EBT program provides grocery buying benefits to low-income families with school-aged children who lose access to free and reduced-price meals through the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program during the summer when school is not in session. The Division of Social Services will operate the program statewide in collaboration with the Department of Education and school districts.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop and implement SEBT system;
- Preloaded summer benefits of \$120 per child onto EBT cards for eligible families;
- Provide benefits to approximately 80,000 students statewide; and
- Encourage families to purchase healthy and nutritious foods.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6229

PROJECT TITLE: Fall National Dam Safety Program - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 97.041

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for \$187,638 for a two-year period of the National Dam Safety Program grant, and this is the first year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The goal of the Fall National Dam Safety Program is to reduce the risks to life and property associated with dams, and to educate and train Dam Safety staff. The training maintains the Dam Safety Program keeping it current with issues on a national and regional level. Program also provides updates on advances within the dam industry including latest technology regarding design and construction.

This year's objectives include the following:

Perform inspections for 25 high hazard dams of the 38 high hazard dams (66 percent); and

• Increase the number of State Dam Safety staff that attend professional conferences, workshops and training.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6234

PROJECT TITLE: Land and Water Conservation Fund Parks Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 15.916

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation has applied the U.S. Department of Interior, Outdoor Recreation Acquisition, Development and Planning for \$79,027 for a one-year period of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Parks Administration grant, and this is the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$79,027 brings the total project support to \$158,054. This project requires 0.70 NSF, 0.43 GF, and 0.26 ASF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Program is administered by the Department of Interior's National Park Service and provides matching grants to states and local governments for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. Program responsibilities include project screening, application submission, inspections, compliance and develop/implement the State's Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) as well as training/travel costs and supplies.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Engage the SCORP TAC, conduct public meetings and complete the 2024-2028 SCORP update;
- Identify all compliance issues and create strategies to address them;
- Complete the 5-year inspections for all parks;
- Manage LWCF application, SHPO concurrence and env screening process;
- Participate in conference and NPS training relative to the Program; and
- Purchase supplies and track staff time for reimbursements.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6252

PROJECT TITLE: Weatherization Assistance Program - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 81.042

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and

Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S.

Department of Energy for \$1,500,000 for a three-year period of the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP), and this is the first year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Division of Climate, Coastal, and Energy (DCCE) plans to use Sustainable Energy Resources for Consumers (SERC) funds to reduce the fossil fuel consumption of WAP clients through replacing inefficient space heating equipment with more innovative and efficient technologies available for heat pumps. Approximately 55% of heat pumps run on fossil fuels such as oil and propane creating especially significant emission reductions. The new systems pair with a solar photovoltaic system providing additional energy savings and improved health and safety for many disabled and fixed-income WAP clients.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide heat pump installations for approximately 100 households with an estimated installment cost of \$15,000 per system; and
- Create emission reductions with household savings dependent on the fuel type.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6237

PROJECT TITLE: Corridor Identification and Development Program

CFDA NUMBER: 20.326

APPLICANT: Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary, Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary, Finance has applied to the U.S. Federal Rail Administration (FRA) for \$500,000 for a three-year grant period of the Corridor Identification and Development Program, and this is the first year of the grant. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant will support the Diamond State Line Project FRA Corridor Identification and Development program. The purpose of this project is to assess the feasibility of passenger rail service and upgrade existing area freight rail infrastructure where possible. This year's objective is to outline the budget, scope of work and schedule needed to prepare a Service Development Plan and submit to the FRA for approval.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6245

PROJECT TITLE: Exotic Wood Borer/Bark Beetle Survey

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA), Plant Industries has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Plant and Animal Disease, Pest Control and Animal Care, for

\$11,147 for a one-year grant period of the Exotic Wood Borer/Bark Beetle Survey, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There is an existing casual/seasonal position associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Exotic Wood Borer/Bark Beetle cooperative agreement will fund survey activities for a variety of non-native beetles that may harm the environment or agricultural production in the State of Delaware. The objective of the survey is to detect these pests early after introduction so that damage can be mitigated by management and eradication efforts. Survey results will be used to report scientifically valid survey data which protects the export value of Delaware and US agricultural products.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 2024-02-28-01

PROJECT TITLE: Transformation Transfer Initiative

CFDA NUMBER: Not applicable

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse

and Mental Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH), Substance Abuse has applied to the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors on behalf of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration for \$750,000 of the Transformation Transfer Initiative (TTI) grant, and this is the sixth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will be used to support peer recovery specialist workforce expansion and to strengthen crisis services that focus on establishing a central hub for 9-8-8 communications. DSAMH will partner with the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families and the Department of Labor to expand capacity for Delaware's behavioral health crisis services to better serve children and adolescents and their families.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop a training curriculum and standard operating procedures to serve older adults with serious mental illness (SMI) in long term care settings;
- Develop a sustainability plan to continue program services;
- Learn from other TTI states and adopt new evidence-based approaches to expand the peer specialist pipeline for serving veterans and older adults within SMI population;
- Conduct research on existing 911 processes and propose ways to modify/adapt for a 911-to-988 transfer;

- Develop cross-agency partnerships to strengthen the behavioral health crisis services for neurodiverse individuals;
- Establish referral pathways or virtual consultation services to support call centers, mobile crisis teams, and crisis receiving facilities in serving individuals with IDD or dual IDD/MH diagnoses; and
- Identify technology enhancements for 911-988 interoperability, including researching data exchange standards and the procurement or development of application programming interfaces to allow information exchange between 911 and 988 systems.

2. SAI NUMBER: 5767 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Refugee Social Service Case Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.566

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for an additional \$746,324 for a two-year grant period of the Refugee Social Service Case Program, and this is the 43rd year of the project. This amendment brings the total project support to \$982,658. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The grant provides medical assistance, financial assistance and social services to refugees settling in Delaware. The purpose is to aid effective resettlement and rapid economic self-sufficiency. Refugees are also involved in English literacy programs. The number of refugee arrivals in the country is determined by the federal government. Refugees may also be entering this program as secondary migrants to Delaware from other states. The program expects to work with approximately 150 refugees during the grant period.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6254

PROJECT TITLE: DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

CFDA NUMBER: 16.741

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Division of Forensic Science

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Division of Forensic Science (DFS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for \$650,000 for a two-year grant period for the DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program, and this is the eleventh year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The DNA Backlog Reduction Program provides DFS with an opportunity to handle, screen and analyze backlogged forensic deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) casework samples. This program also provides for the improvement of DNA laboratory infrastructure analysis capacity, so that forensic DNA samples can be processed efficiently and cost effectively. Additionally, these funds will be used toward the training of appropriate personnel and ensuring that analysts are utilizing the most recent equipment while adhering to standard practices and procedures in their examination of DNA evidence.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Purchase new equipment and supplies to assist with the reduction and ongoing maintenance of the DNA casework backlog;
- Training and continuing education for analysts;
- Maintenance of the convicted offender DNA database through the purchase of new equipment and supplies; and
- Supporting the CODIS server and the disaster recovery costs through the current DTI contract.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6240

PROJECT TITLE: Marine Debris Removal

CFDA NUMBER: 11.999

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for \$1,668,769 for a four-year grant period and the second year of the Marine Debris Removal project. A discretionary state contribution of \$301,000 brings the total project support to \$1,969,769. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship manages the navigable waterways throughout the State of Delaware, from the ocean coasts to the interior rivers and canals. Part of that management includes removing debris that presents a hazard to navigation. Debris can include derelict docks or other structures, sunken vessels, or abandoned fishing gear. This funding source will support the contractual hire and supplies needed for two Kent Conservation District Co-op employees, who will increase the capacity of Delaware to manage, and monitor Bipartisan Infrastructure funded restoration and marine debris removal projects. Additionally, these positions would be tasked with developing priority lists, developing proposals, procurement of services, project management, creating monitoring plans, implementing plans, establishing best management practices, and transferring knowledge, as well as coordinating up-to-date information on a publicly accessible website.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6247

PROJECT TITLE: Swine Health Improvement Plan

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Animal Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA), Animal Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for \$3,000 for a one-year grant period of the Swine Health Improvement Plan, and this is the second year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides funding for DDA to send voting delegates to the 2024 Swine Health Improvement Plan House of Delegates (HOD). Funds will be used to send the SAHO or Deputy SAHO and the Animal Health Program Manager to the 2024 HOD. Attendance to the 2024 HOD would be the first for any Delaware participant and would provide delegates with information about the Delaware swine sector and efforts with SHIP. Insight gained by attending the HOD would be used to further involvement and enrollment with US SHIP. By attending HOD, Delaware increases its participation in the US SHIP Program.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6250

PROJECT TITLE: Animal Disease Traceability

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Animal Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Animal Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for \$4,646 for a one-year grant period of the Animal Disease Traceability grant, and this is the 13th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant represents a state and federal cooperative agreement to market and implement the Animal Disease Traceability program in Delaware. Funds are provided to track animal ear tags to the source farm in the event of a highly contagious animal disease outbreak.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Perform outreach and education;
- Monitor identification and interstate movement activity;
- Administer test exercises to establish traceability performance standards;
- Maintain electronic record of ear tag distribution; and Enter data for brucellosis and tuberculosis testing and vaccination records.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6260

PROJECT TITLE: Umbrella National Surveillance

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Animal Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Animal Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and received an award of \$245,325 for a one-year grant period of the Umbrella National Surveillance grant, and this is the 20th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 1.0 NSF FTE which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The National Animal Health Surveillance System cooperative agreement serves to protect Delaware's commercial and backyard poultry from the devastating effects of an Avian Influenza (AI) outbreak. AI has the potential to mutate and affect humans who come into contact with infected birds. This grant provides funds for observation, collection and diagnostic testing activities which can help present birds and human outbreaks.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct surveillance;
- Support avian health;
- Perform diagnostic testing for contagious diseases;
- Conduct research and education about contagious diseases;
- Provide personnel with opportunities for travel and training; and
- Prepare for response to an emergency disease outbreak.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6241

PROJECT TITLE: Title I, Part A – Improving Academic Achievement

CFDA NUMBER: 84.010

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$58,187,161 for a two-year grant period of the Title I, Part A Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged program, and this is the 59th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 2.25 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this program is to provide additional resources to local education agencies (LEAs) and schools with high numbers or high percentages of poor and low achieving children in order to help them master the state's academic standards. LEAs target Title I, Part A funds for schools with the highest percentage of children from low-income families. Funds are used to support extra instruction in reading and mathematics, additional teachers,

materials to enhance instruction, preschool, after-school and summer programs to extend and reinforce the regular school curriculum for eligible children.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Reducing academic achievement gaps in English and Math for disadvantaged groups identified within Title I participating schools;
- Increasing technical support and assistance for LEAs with Title I participating schools; and
- Ensuring compliance with Title I federal requirements outlined in the Every Student Succeeds Act.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6242

PROJECT TITLE: Title II, Part A – Improving Teacher Quality

CFDA NUMBER: 84.367

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$10,837,970 for a two-year period of the Title II, Part A Improving Teacher Quality grant, and the 40th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 2.05 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this project is to provide funding to increase the academic achievement of students by helping schools improve teacher and principal quality and ensure that all teachers are highly qualified. States and school districts are to use Title II, Part A funds to ensure that all students have effective teachers. Funds may be used for initiatives such as developing evidence based professional training programs, supporting recruitment, hiring, and retention of educators and leaders, reducing class size and implementing mentor programs.

This year's objectives include:

- Ensure student achievement data that aligns to the State's academic standards;
- Collect data on the quality and effectiveness of teachers and school leaders;
- Increase the number of quality of teachers and school leaders;
- Collect data on low-income and minority students with greater access to quality teachers and school leaders; and
- Collect other data as aligned to Title II, Part A initiatives.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6243

PROJECT TITLE: Title III English Acquisition

CFDA NUMBER: 84.365

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Academic Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$1,944,936 for a two-year grant period of the Title III English Acquisition grant, and this is the 21st year of the project. There is no required state contribution. The project requires 0.80 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of this grant is to support the English Learner (EL) and dual-language program offerings to needed student populations in districts and charter schools. The funding will be used to identify, assess, and address the language skill needs of limited English proficient students for monitoring status and growth. The increased student achievement of this sub-group is included in performance benchmarks and is of increasing importance based on recent enrollment trends.

This year's objectives include:

- Achieve a 95 percent participation rate for EL students' assessment on the Worldclass Instructional Design and Assessment Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (WIDA ACCESS) for ELs 2.0 for language proficiency;
- Ensure EL students can demonstrate progress toward language proficiency within an expected timeline of six years;
- Ensure EL students can demonstrate attainment of language proficiency by achieving a Tier C proficiency level 4.7 or higher on their composite proficiency level score; and
- Ensure EL students can demonstrate proficiency in reading and mathematics through the annual state assessment.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6244

PROJECT TITLE: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B

CFDA NUMBER: 84.173

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Academic Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Academic Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$1,387,906 for a two-year grant period for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B, Section 619 program, and this is the 47th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of this grant is to provide a free and appropriate public education to children ages three to five years old with eligible disabilities that may interfere with their ability to benefit from only a general education experience. These funds will provide sub-grants to districts and charter schools that certify the populations of these students that they are

serving. Covered services include evaluations, special education, related services, and parental support.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6248

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV, Part A – Student Support and Enrichment

CFDA NUMBER: 84.424

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education for \$6,659,535 for a two-year grant period of the Title IV Part A Student Support and Enrichment program, and this is the eighth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are 0.30 NSF FTE associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Title IV Part A - Student Support and Enrichment grant seeks to increase the performance of students in Title IV-participating schools. In addition to serving eligible public-school children, local education agencies must also utilize Title IV funds to provide academic enrichment services to eligible children enrolled in private schools. The grant requires that at least 95 percent of funds be allocated to the Local Education Agencies.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide all students with a well-rounded education (e.g., Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM), arts, civics, Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate, health and physical education);
- Support safe and healthy students (e.g., school mental health, drug and violence prevention, training on trauma-informed practices, health and physical education); and.
- Support the effective use of technology (e.g., professional development, blended learning, technology devices).

13. SAI NUMBER: 6249

PROJECT TITLE: Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education

CFDA NUMBER: 84.048

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Workforce Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education for \$6,281,578 for a two-year grant period of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education program, and this is the 62nd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 2.75 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds to support career and technical education (CTE) by strengthening connections between secondary and postsecondary education, aligning the needs of the economy, and improving the academic and technical achievement of students who choose to enroll in these programs.

This year's objective include:

- Build a comprehensive system of career preparation that aligns with the state and regional economies in grades 5-14;
- Scale and sustain meaningful work-based learning experiences for students in grades 5-14;
- Integrate education and workforce development efforts and data systems;
- Coordinate financial support for Career Pathways; and
- Engage employers, educators, and community organizations to support Delaware Pathways.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6253

PROJECT TITLE: Lead Testing in School and Child Care Program Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 66.444

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Operations Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Operations Support has applied to the Environmental Protection Agency for \$196,000 for a two-year period of the Lead Testing in School and Child Care Program Grant. This is the fourth year of funding for this project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project provides funding to small and disadvantaged communities to improve drinking water resources with the goal of reducing exposure to lead. Local education agencies will be provided resources to test for lead contamination in drinking water at schools and childcare facilities.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Reducing child exposure to lead in drinking water;
- Improving staff and community knowledge on lead in drinking water;
- Improving water quality and reducing lead exposure in drinking water; and Establishing routine practices related to the "training, testing, and taking action" guidelines.

Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee May 22, 2024

The May 21, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for April projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:03 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator

The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom

The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative

The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative

The Honorable Stephanie Bolden, Representative

The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General

Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom

Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom

Courtney Stewart, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

1. 6172, Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration

Sandi Spiegel, Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Deputy Director Courtney Stewart, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. 6272, Pathways 1 Prevention Program - ARP

Trenee Parker, Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intake and Investigations

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. 6268, Air Monitoring - Inflation Reduction Act

Valerie Gray, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Air Quality

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6269, Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation

Annina Northridge and Jessica Quinn, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy

A MOTION was made by Senator Stephanie Hansen, seconded by Deputy Director Courtney Stewart, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

5. 6350, Electronic Absentee Systems for Elections (EASE 3.0)

Anthony Albence and Sommer Sturgeon, Department of Elections, State Election Commissioner

A MOTION was made by Representative Stephanie Bolden, seconded by Representative Kimberly Williams, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6150 Ryan White Care Act Title II
- 2. 6213 Hepatitis C Increased Testing and Diagnosis
- 3. 6220 Title X Family Planning Services
- 4. 6258 Advancing Retail Program Standards Conformance through Inspection Equipment
- 5. 6285 Emergency Medical Services for Children Partnership
- 6. 6163 Amendment National Diabetes Prevention Program
- 7. 6264 State Memorandum of Agreement Program for the Reimbursement of Technical Services
- 8. 6270 Delaware's Endangered Species Program
- 9. 6271 Delaware's Rare Plant Conservation
- 10. 6235 USAG Asset Forfeiture Justice
- 11. 6236 USAG Asset Forfeiture Treasury
- 12. 6046 Amendment Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment
- 13, 6255 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B
- 14. 6267 Rural and Low-Income Schools
- 15. 6273 Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children
- 16. 6275 Migrant Education Program Consortium Incentive
- 17, 6276 Education for Homeless Children and Youth
- 18. 6277 Adult Basic Education
- 19. 6281 Title I, Part C Migrant Education
- 20. 6284 Title IV, Part B Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers
- 21, 6287 Early Head Start
- 22. 2024-04-01-01 Dover Air Force Base School Budget

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve Continued Business Items 1-22. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting May 21, 2024 Revised Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6172

PROJECT TITLE: Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration

CFDA NUMBER: 14.912

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Housing and Urban Development, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes for \$1,500,000 for a three-year grant period of the Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration grant, and this is the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$150,000 brings the total project support to \$1,650,000. This project requires 1.00 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of the Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building Grant Program is to assist with rebuilding capacity within Delaware's jurisdiction. Rebuilding capacity may be necessary for jurisdictions that have diminished infrastructure and capacity due to extenuating circumstances such as COVID, loss of experienced staff, or other factors that have negatively impacted the capacity necessary to undertake comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards. The program will help with developing and expanding the infrastructure necessary to undertake comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned rental or owner-occupied housing.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase awareness for lead hazards, by partnering with 5 outreach and education supporters;
- Increase training partnerships for mitigating lead hazards, utilizing 3 steadfast industry partners;
- Increase the number of certified lead hazard mitigation workforce. Will provide educational subsidies for approximately 100 Lead Risk Assessors to attain appropriate certifications; and
- Hold four coalition-building activities annually to educate partners in client enrollment, training opportunities, and benefits of program participation and leadbased paint hazards regulations.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6272

PROJECT TITLE: Pathways 1 Prevention Program - ARP

CFDA NUMBER: 93.590

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intake and Investigations

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Division of Family Services (DFS), Intake and Investigations has applied to Prevent Child Abuse Delaware who received an award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families and received a subaward of \$490,000 for a one-year period of the Pathways 1 Prevention Program grant. This funding is part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act signed by the President on March 11, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Pathway 1 is a new proposed element of DFS's differential response system, directed at offering prevention services to at-risk children and families through a series of referral tracks. Families reported to the DFS Child Abuse Report Line, who do not meet criteria to be screened in for a DFS response but who meet certain other stress factor criteria, would be eligible for this intervention with the hope of diverting them from future system involvement through meaningful short-term engagement. Although the program is still under development, the proposal is for preventative case management services to be offered through a new contracted service for prevention partially funded by Community Based Child Abuse Prevention Grant funds via joint Request for Proposal with Prevent Child Abuse Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Participants in the Pathway 1 Prevention service will be diverted from future involvement in the child welfare system, including DFS investigations, DFS treatment cases, and foster care entries;
- Decrease subsequent reporting to the DFS Child Abuse Report Line;
- Engage with families to address issues such as parent/child conflict, housing instability, lack of access to resources, mental health issues, substance abuse issues, domestic violence, and sentinel injuries in pre-mobile children; and
- Refer 250 families yearly to be served through the Pathway 1 Prevention Service.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6268

PROJECT TITLE: Air Monitoring – Inflation Reduction Act

CFDA NUMBER: 66.034

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Air Quality

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Air Quality has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for \$686,999 for a five-year period of the Air Monitoring – Inflation Reduction Act grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The primary objective of this project is to ensure the ongoing success of Delaware's Ambient Air Monitoring Program. This program has evolved over the years as technology has changed and air monitoring requirements have developed. This project will provide funding for modernizing ambient air monitoring program instrumentation located at ten sites throughout the State of Delaware. Locations where air monitoring activities will be implemented include: Killens Pond State Park, downtown Dover (hollow near the Dover Federal Credit Union), Lums Pond State Park, Route 9 in Delaware City, Brandywine Creek State Park, the University of Delaware North Campus, Bellefonte II in Belleview State Park, Justison Street and Martin Luther King Boulevard in Wilmington, 350 Virginia Avenue in Seaford, and the University of Delaware Hugh R. Sharp Campus in Lewes, DE.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Purchase replacement air monitoring instruments in three phases 2025, 2026 and 2027:
- Perform acceptance testing of each received instrument;
- Deploy new instrument to the appropriate monitoring site;
- Validate, calibrate, and verify the operations of the instrument no later than 12/31/2029;
- Submit semi-annual progress reports electronically to EPA Project Officer; and
- Submit final progress report electronically to EPA Project Officer within 120-days of project end date.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6269

PROJECT TITLE: Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation

CFDA NUMBER: 66.046

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and

Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for \$38,960,532 for a six-year period of the Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Federal Climate Pollution Reduction Grant is a grant program administered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to support the development and implementation of innovative and effective strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and combat climate change. Federal funding provided by this grant will accelerate emission reduction projects at publicly owned Wastewater Treatment Plants throughout Delaware. Specifically, funds will be used to capture leaking greenhouse gas emissions and increase efficiency of Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) operations throughout the State.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Reduce energy consumption, greenhouse gas emissions, and energy bill savings for plant operations;
- Reduce exposure to co-pollutants (criteria and hazardous air pollutants) and unhealthy ambient air quality; and
- Enhance level of community engagement as measured by an increased number of ongoing actions to engage with organizations and residents of disadvantaged communities in proximity to the Wilmington WWTP and other treatment facilities in the state.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6350

PROJECT TITLE: Electronic Absentee Systems for Elections

CFDA NUMBER: 12.219

APPLICANT: Department of Elections, State Election Commissioner

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Elections, State Election Commissioner has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense Grants and Agreements for \$268,830 for a one-year grant period of the Electronic Absentee Systems for Elections (EASE 3.0) Grant program, and this is the first year of the one-year project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of this grant is to increase the security of federally required electronic ballot transmission, reduce the voting gap between Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) and domestic voters in the State, and gather and provide comprehensive data, detailing UOCAVA voter activities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Implement and deploy a comprehensive, secure UOCAVA balloting portal that will work with our existing voter registration and election management systems to provide easier and more secure access to their specific ballot;
- Administer an electronic ballot request toll that meets cybersecurity best practices and simplifies the application and request process for UOCAVA voters;
- Execute a method to automate the duplication of UOCAVA ballots and minimize the need to manually re-make returned UOCAVA ballots;
- Fulfill a more robust set of UOCAVA data and reporting tools;

- Expand accessibility for UOCAVA voters who have disabilities, including access to a fully accessible sample ballot;
- Reduce the amount of accidental overvotes and undervotes of our UOCAVA population; and
- Provide quicker and more efficient means of curing signature issues for UOCAVA voters.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6150

PROJECT TITLE: Ryan White Care Act Title II

CFDA NUMBER: 93.917

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$4,641,631 for a one-year grant period of the Ryan White Care Act Title II grant, and this is the 33rd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 3.55 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides appropriate, accessible, and affordable health care to vulnerable populations, specifically, persons living with HIV infection, by contracting with community-based agencies and Christiana Care Health Services.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide dental services to at least 250 HIV/AIDS clients;
- Provide AIDS Drugs Assistance Program reimbursement therapeutic scripts to at least 500 eligible clients; and
- Provide HIV/AIDS treatment services to at least 350 eligible clients.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6213

PROJECT TITLE: Hepatitis C Increased Testing and Diagnosis

CFDA NUMBER: 93.270

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$315,000 for a one-year grant period of the Hepatitis C Increased Testing and Diagnosis grant, and this is the eighth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.50 NSF FTEs which are included in the

department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Adult Viral Hepatitis Program supports critical infrastructure of the hepatitis virus in the state. The purpose of this grant is to increase the number of Delawareans being tested and treated for the hepatitis C virus (HCV) and/or the hepatitis B virus (HBV).

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop, implement, and maintain plan to rapidly detect and respond to outbreaks for hepatitis A, B, and C;
- Collect, analyze, interpret, and disseminate data to characterize trends and implement public health interventions;
- Support viral hepatitis elimination planning and surveillance, and maximize access to treatment and prevention;
- Increase access to testing and referral to care in high-impact settings; and
- Improve access to services preventing viral hepatitis and other bloodborne infections.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6220

PROJECT TITLE: Title X Family Planning Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.217

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Assistant Secretary for Health for \$1,626,952 for a one-year grant period of the Title X Family Planning Services grant for the 56th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$843,362 brings the total project support to \$2,470,314. This project requires 4.00 NSF, 3.00 GF, and 2.00 ASF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The program provides family planning and reproductive health services to uninsured and underinsured Delaware residents, with a focus on providing contraceptive services, reproductive health education, examinations, and supplies.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Ensure access to equitable, affordable, client-centered, quality family planning services which include administrative, clinical, counseling, and referral to services as well as training staff necessary to ensure adherence to these requirements;
- Assure innovative quality family planning and related preventive health services that lead to improved reproductive outcomes and overall optimal health for women, men, and adolescents of reproductive age; and

• Advance and increase awareness and access to a broad range of acceptable and effective family planning methods including Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives (LARC) and services which includes infertility services, pregnancy testing counseling, reproductive life planning.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6258

PROJECT TITLE: Advancing Retail Program Standards Conformance through

Inspection Equipment

CFDA NUMBER: 93.103

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration for \$5,000 for a one-year grant period of the Advancing Retail Program Standards Conformance through Inspection Equipment grant, and this is the ninth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will support the Office of Food Protection in advancing the state's retail food safety inspection program and increase conformance with the FDA Voluntary National Retail Program Standards by increasing uniformity among inspections statewide. All regulatory inspections will be conducted using uniform resources and equipment.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Complete pre-requisite training curriculum for regulatory staff prior to conducting independent retail food and food service inspections;
- Complete all aspects of standard 2 training curriculum courses for regulatory staff prior to field standardization; enforcement procedure;
- Create and/or update Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for administrative program support; Evaluate program resources to determine budget, staffing and equipment needs necessary for all standards; and

Submit paperwork to have Standard one audited and approved by the FDA.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6285

PROJECT TITLE: Emergency Medical Services for Children Partnership

CFDA NUMBER: 93.127

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$205,000 for a three-year

grant period for the Emergency Medical Services for Children Partnership grant, and this is the 28th year of the program. A discretionary state contribution of \$17,593 brings the total project support to \$222,593. This project requires 0.20 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant works to improve healthcare for children throughout Delaware by expanding and improving emergency medical services for children who need treatment for trauma or critical care. Consistent with these goals, the program aims to attain equitable access to pediatric emergency care and everyday readiness for all children across the nation, especially for those children living in racial/ethnic minority, tribal and rural communities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Expand the uptake of Pediatric Readiness in Emergency Departments (EDs) by establishing a standardized pediatric readiness recognition program for EDs, designating Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators (PECC) in EDs, and ensuring hospital EDs weigh and record children's weight in kilograms;
- Improve Pediatric Readiness in EMS Systems by establishing a standardized pediatric readiness recognition program for prehospital EMS agencies; increasing PECC's in prehospital EMS agencies; and increasing the number of prehospital EMS agencies that have a process for pediatric skills-check on the use of pediatric equipment;
- Increase pediatric disaster readiness in hospital EDs and prehospital EMS agencies by ensuring that disaster plans address the needs of children; and
- Prioritize and advance family partnership and leadership in efforts to improve EMSC systems of care by including and engaging family representatives who can speak to the emergency care needs of children in their community on EMSC state advisory committees.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6163 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: National Diabetes Prevention Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.421

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) who applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. DPH received an additional \$50,000 for the National Disease Prevention Program (DDP) grant, and this is the fifth-year of the project. This amendment brings the total project support to \$175,000.00. There is no required state contribution. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.20 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement and were budgeted in SAI-6163. Audit fees and indirect costs have previously been budgeted.

Funding will be used to address the systems challenges related to the development, implementation, utilization, and evaluation of covering the National FPP lifestyle change program in Medicaid. Group based technical assistance will come from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Division of Diabetes Translation and from the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors. This year's objective is to increase the number of Medicaid beneficiaries enrolled in at least one session of the National Diabetes Prevention program by a minimum of 35 participants.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6264

PROJECT TITLE: State Memorandum of Agreement for the Reimbursement of

Technical Services

CFDA NUMBER: 12.113

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and

Hazardous Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense, Department of the Army, Office of the Chief of Engineers for \$80,380 for a two-year period of the State Memorandum of Agreement Program for the Reimbursement of Technical Services grant, and this is the 26th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.24 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this program is to provide funding for DNREC's support of activities related to the investigations and cleanup of hazardous substance releases at Department of Defense sites in Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Assist in remedial action, management monitoring at the Dover Air Force Base;
- Provide assistance in a five-year review of the Fort Miles Military Reservation;
- Develop a statewide management plan for formerly used Department of Defense sites; and
- Provide direct support, such as administrative planning, budget preparation and reporting for different Department of Defense installations.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6270

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware's Endangered Species Program

CFDA NUMBER: 15.615

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$48,982 for a one-year grant period of the Delaware's Endangered Species Program, and this is the 32nd year of funding. A required state contribution of \$8,130 brings the total project support to \$57,112. This project requires 0.04 GF FTEs and portions of two casual/seasonal positions are associated with the grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to monitor Delaware's federal threatened bird species with a focus on the piping plover.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Monitor three sites for piping plover breeding;
- Manage one database containing annual piping plover breeding information;
- Install an estimated 15 predator enclosures around nests;
- Install temporary fencing to protect at least two beach areas where piping plovers are nesting;
- Analyze data and prepare at least two reports summarizing nesting season; and
- Participate in meetings with at least two other state and federal partners to discuss piping plover nesting season findings.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6271

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware's Rare Plant Conservation

CFDA NUMBER: 15.615

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$16,695 for a one-year grant period of the Delaware's Rare Plant Conservation, and this is the 35th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$5,565 brings the total project support to \$22,260. This project requires 0.02 GF FTE, which is already in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Rare Plant Conservation Program is a joint state-federal effort to inventory and protect federally listed and candidate plant species by locating, evaluating status, and implementing management and protection efforts for these species.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Determine the status of seven federally listed plant species in Delaware through surveys for new populations;
- Monitoring of known populations;

• Assessment of habitat conditions; and

• Identification of threats and habitat management activities, if needed.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6235

PROJECT TITLE: USAG Asset Forfeiture - Justice

CFDA NUMBER: 16.922

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State

Police, Executive

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, Executive has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division for \$3,000,000 for a five-year grant period for the Asset Forfeiture – Justice grant, and this is the 32nd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Asset Forfeiture – Justice program allows Delaware State Police to receive funds from the seizure of assets derived from joint criminal investigations with U.S. Department of Justice agencies. The amount received is contingent upon the funds confiscated and the degree of participation law enforcement agencies have in the investigation, resulting in the forfeiture and seizure of assets.

This year's objectives are based on federal program requirements and include the following:

- Utilize all funds received to supplement the operating budget of the receiving agencies;
- Utilize all funds for law enforcement purposes;
- Ensure that interest earned on funds deposited accrues for the benefit of the receiving agency; and
- Ensure agencies adhere to the reporting requirements.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6236

PROJECT TITLE: USAG Asset Forfeiture - Treasury

CFDA NUMBER: 21.016

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police,

Executive

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, Executive has applied to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for \$1,000,000 for a five-year grant period of the USAG Asset Forfeiture – Treasury grant, and this is the 32nd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The USAG Asset Forfeiture – Treasury program allows Delaware State Police to receive funds from the seizure of assets derived from joint criminal investigations with U.S. Department of the Treasury agencies. The amount received is contingent upon the funds confiscated and the degree of participation law enforcement agencies have in the investigation, resulting in the forfeiture and seizure of assets.

This year's objectives are based on federal program requirements and include the following:

- Utilize all funds received to supplement the operating budget of the receiving agencies;
- Utilize all funds for law enforcement purposes;
- Ensure that interest earned on funds deposited accrues for the benefit of the receiving agency; and
- Ensure agencies adhere to the reporting requirements.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6046 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment

CFDA NUMBER: 17.225

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for and additional \$327,100 for a one-year grant period year of the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment grant, and this is the twelfth year of the program. This amendment brings the total project support to \$1,108,825. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 9.07 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement and were previously budget on SAI 6046. Audit fees and indirect costs were previously budgeted.

The Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment grant helps to reduce average unemployment durations for those receiving benefits and seeks to reduce improper payments of benefits. Funding is used to host workshops that provide labor market information and help claimants develop reemployment plans.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6255

PROJECT TITLE: Individuals with Disabilities Act, Part B

CFDA NUMBER: 84.027

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Academic Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Academic Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$44,305,418 for a two-year grant period for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B, Section 611 grant, and this is the 48th year of the project. There is no required state contribution.

This project requires 10.75 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this program is to serve students ages three to 21 who have an identified disability that interferes with their ability to benefit from only a general education classroom experience. Funding is used to supplement resources from state and local sources in providing services. Districts and charter schools are provided sub-grants based on a formula described in federal regulation and an approved application. Services include individualized special education offerings, general classroom supports and transitional services, as well as broader initiatives to bolster early identification, monitoring, assessments, and technical assistance.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Supplement state and local funds for providing services to children with disabilities;
- Support children find activities to ensure children with disabilities are identified;
- Provide training to professional and paraprofessional staff serving children with disabilities; and
- Prioritize the use of funds for the State and Local Education Agencies (LEA) based on findings from the monitoring system to improve student outcomes. This will also include improvement activities on State and LEA annual performance.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6267

PROJECT TITLE: Rural and Low Income Schools

CFDA NUMBER: 84.358

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$204,602 for a one-year grant period of the Rural and Low-Income School grant, and this is the sixth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project provides rural districts with the financial assistance for initiatives to improve student achievement. Allocations are determined by the federal agency and are passed through the state agency to the qualifying local education agencies.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve basic programs operated by local education agencies;
- Support effective instruction;
- Provide language instruction for English learners and immigrant students; and
- Offer student support and academic enrichment grants and parental involvement activities.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6273

PROJECT TITLE: Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children

CFDA NUMBER: 84.013

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$466,115 for a two-year grant period for the Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children grant, and this is the 57th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funding is used to improve educational services for neglected or delinquent children and youth in local and state institutions to reduce the possible negative impacts of a disruption in the child's educational continuum of service. To improve student achievement as well as social and emotional outcomes, the program supports professional and curriculum development to ensure that students are receiving comparable academic material and instruction while in each institution. Funds are sub-awarded to the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families (DSCYF) to provide services to children and/or youth in institutions such as Terry Children's Psychiatric Center, Stevenson House Detention Center, and Ferris School.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Providing all youth with the opportunity to meet Common Core standards through relevant instruction and summative assessments;
- Demonstrating an increase in reading and math proficiency for all students in DSCYF programs through implementation of a multi-tiered system of support model; and
- Increasing the rate of successful transitions back to school and/or employment for youth using an updated transition protocol.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6275

PROJECT TITLE: Migrant Education Program Consortium Incentive

CFDA NUMBER: 84.144

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$114,817 for a two-year grant period for the Migrant Education Program (MEP) Consortium Incentive grant, and this is the 13th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project provides funding for the Institute for the Development and Educational Advancement Consortium (IDEA), formerly the Identification and Recruitment Rapid

Response Consortium. The purpose of IDEA is to ensure that services in Delaware are designed to improve the proper and timely identification and recruitment of eligible migratory children whose education is interrupted. Participation expands capacity to address needs through resource sharing, mentoring, and deployment of Rapid Response Teams.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increasing capacity each year for 80 percent of staff to conduct/support identification and recruitment as measured by a statistically significant gain on a pre/post assessment;
- Confirming that 80 percent of field test identification and recruitment staff surveyed will report that the electronic system helped them streamline documentation of their efforts to conduct identification and recruitment; and
- Ensuring 80 percent of IDEA state directors surveyed will report that IDEA increased intra/interstate coordination thereby increasing their state's capacity to implement proper and timely identification and recruitment.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6276

PROJECT TITLE: Education for Homeless Children and Youth

CFDA NUMBER: 84.196

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$403,784 for a two-year grant period of the Education for Homeless Children and Youth program, and this is the 36th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.15 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program coordinates the education of homeless children and youth in Delaware, including preschoolers and youth, to ensure equal access to a free and appropriate public education. This includes gathering information about homeless students and the impediments to regularly attending school. Competitive sub-grants are awarded to local education agencies (LEAs) to facilitate enrollment, attendance, and academic success for homeless students. This includes funds to address problems due to transportation needs, immunization and residency requirements, lack of birth certificates and school records, and guardianship issues. There is added focus on college and career readiness for students experiencing homelessness.

This year's objectives include:

- Improving the collection and analysis of homeless student data;
- Providing technical assistance to LEAs; and
- Implementing activities to increase the identification of students experiencing homelessness.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6277

PROJECT TITLE: Adult Basic Education

CFDA NUMBER: 84.002

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education \$1,961,151 for a two-year grant period for the Adult Basic Education grant and this is the 56th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$1,584,738 bring the total project support to \$3,545,889. The grant requires 0.10 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant is a formula grant that provides integrated English literacy instruction and civics education to adult learners. Adult learners should receive the skills necessary to enter or advance in the job market, support their children, attain English proficiency, and/or access post-secondary training/education. The grant offers instruction for a continuum of needs including nonreaders to those preparing for the GED and entry into the Groves Adult High School.

This year's measurable outcomes include achieving a target of 65.20 percent for measurable skills gained, 45.20 percent rate of second quarter employment, 46.00 percent rate of fourth quarter employment, 39 percent credential attainment, and \$5,400 median income.

19. SAI NUMBER: 6281

PROJECT TITLE: Title I Part C Migrant Education

CFDA NUMBER: 84.011

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$506,497 for a two-year grant period of the Title I Part C Migrant Education grant, and this is the 59th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.30 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides students, aged 3 to 21 from migrant families, with instructional and support services. The funding is used to support summer school programs in Kent and Sussex Counties which provide curriculum-based instructional support for reading, writing and mathematics skills. Additionally, DOE provides assistance with enrollment into public schools for families and support for the local education agencies in which the migrant students are enrolled during the regular school year.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Ensuring 50 percent of migrant students ages 4-5 will attend curriculum-driven programs and demonstrate improvement on the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment;
- Decreasing by 5 percent migrant students' gap in reading and math proficiency when compared with non-migrant students through referrals and collaborative partnerships for services;
- Reaching a 90 percent graduation rate for migrant students;
- Obtaining a ten percent increase in the amount of eligible migrant Out of School Youth who receive MEP sponsored support services; and
- Increasing migrant student recruitment by 5 percent per year as evidenced by the number of Certificate of Eligibility forms completed.

20. SAI NUMBER: 6284

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV, Part B Twenty-First Century Community Learning

Centers

CFDA NUMBER: 84.287

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education, Student Support applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$6,515,398 for a two-year grant period of Title IV, Part B Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers grant, and this is the 21st year of the project. There is no required state contribution. The grant requires 0.80 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant supports the creation of community learning centers which provide academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools. The program helps students achieve state and local core standards for reading and math, offers a broad array of enrichment activities to complement standard academic programs, and offers education services to the families of participating children.

This year's objectives include:

- Providing opportunities for academic enrichment to meet state performance standards in core academic subjects with an emphasis on reading and math;
- Offering students a broad array of additional services;
- Providing opportunities for educational development to the families of students; and.
- Implementing the federally required Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) Measure Indicators and meeting data reporting requirements.

21. SAI NUMBER: 6287

PROJECT TITLE: Early Head Start

CFDA NUMBER: 93.600

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Early Childhood Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Head Start for \$3,057,145 for a one-year grant period of the Early Head Start – Child Care Partnership grant, and this is the 12th year of the project. There is a required state contribution of \$764,286, bringing the total project support to \$3,821,431. This grant requires 2.90 NSF FTEs, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant program seeks to improve Delaware's infant and toddler care infrastructure while also building high quality programs to prepare young children for kindergarten. This program also provides resources to families to be self-sufficient.

22. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-01-01

PROJECT TITLE: Dover Air Force Base School Budget

CFDA NUMBER: 12.556

APPLICANT: Caesar Rodney School District

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Caesar Rodney School District has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense, Education Activity, Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools for \$11,516,943 for a one-year grant period for the Dover Air Force Base School Budget grant, and this is the 61st year of the project. There is no required state contribution. Audit fees and indirect costs are not applicable.

These funds will provide all necessary labor, services, administration, transportation, and supplies and equipment to present a comprehensive educational program similar to that provided to students in comparable public-school districts in the State of Delaware. The grant will provide for special education, remedial support counseling services, intermural, intramural, and extracurricular activities consistent with federal and state laws and regulation and will also ensure that safety and security policies and practices are in place and comply with all federal, state, and DOD policies and practices.

Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee July 3, 2024

The June 25, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for May projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:01 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative
The Honorable Stephanie Bolden, Representative
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Carla Cassell-Carter, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

1. <u>6325, Boosting School Library Collections</u>
Annie Norman and Anne Hiller Clark, Department of State, Libraries

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. <u>6327, Geriatric Work Force Enhancement Program</u>
Daniel Isom, Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community
Health

A MOTION was made by Representative Stephanie Bolden, seconded by Representative Kimberly Williams, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. 6293, Standard Chlorine of Delaware - Metachem Operal Unit 4 Remedial Design

Qazi Salahuddin, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6317, Assistance for Adoption Building Energy Codes - IRA

Thomas Noyes, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

5. 6343, School Violence Prevention Program

Jimmy Pennewell and Nicole Polite, Caesar Rodney School District

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6206 Amendment The Emergency Food Assistance Program Commodity Credit Corporation
- 2. 2024-04-03-01 Housing Choice Vouchers (Moving To Work)
- 3. 2024-04-05-01 Family Unification Program
- 4. 2024-04-12-01 Mainstream Voucher Program
- 5. 2024-04-19-01 Public Housing Operations Program Moving To Work
- 6. 2024-04-19-02 Public Housing Capital Program Moving to Work
- 7. 2024-04-22-01 Performance Based Contract Administrator Program
- 8. 2024-04-24-01 Community Development Block Grant
- 9. 2024-04-24-02 Emergency Solutions Grants Program
- 10. 2024-04-24-03 Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids
- 11. 2024-04-24-04 HOME Investment Partnership
- 12. 2024-04-24-05 Housing Trust Fund
- 13. 2024-04-24-06 Recovery Housing Program
- 14. 6280 Library Services and Technology Act
- 15, 6216 Advancing Health Equity Diabetes
- 16. 6218 State Office of Rural Health
- 17, 6259 National Cancer Prevention and Control Program
- 18. 6261 Improving the Health of Americans through Prevention
- 19, 6278 Well-Integrated Screening & Evaluation for Women
- 20. 6295 Delaware Senior Medicare Patrol Program Funds
- 21, 6306 Child Care Development-Discretionary
- 22. 6308 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- 23. 6311 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- 24, 6312 Social Services Block Grant
- 25, 6315 Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention
- 26. 6324 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement

- 27. 6296 Clean Water State Revolving Fund
- 28. 6297 Clean Water State Revolving Fund- Supplemental
- 29. 6298 Clean Water State Revolving Fund- Emerging Contaminant
- 30. 6304 Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grant
- 31. 6320 Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant
- 32. 6305Law Enforcement Mental Health Wellness Act Implementation Projects
- 33. 6302 Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment
- 34. 6289 Farm Bill National Honeybee Survey
- 35. 6290 Spotted Lanternfly Outreach
- 36. 6303 Spotted Lantern Fly Survey and Control
- 37, 6283 State Assessment and Related Activities

A MOTION was made by Senator Stephanie Hansen, seconded by Representative Kimberly Williams, to approve Continued Business Items 1-37. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

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Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting June 25, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6325

PROJECT TITLE: Boosting School Library Collections

CFDA NUMBER: 84.215

APPLICANT: Department of State, Libraries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of State, Libraries has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$1,937,796 for a one-year grant period of the Boosting School Library Collections grant, and this is the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$2,134,616 brings the total project support to \$4,072,412. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Boosting School Library Collections grant funds will be used to initiate improvement of school library collections by the Delaware Library Consortium (DLC) shared collections with a focus on school libraries who are part of the DLC. Grant funding will also help establish a standardized replacement cycle to maintain current information to help establish students' knowledge base. This project will benefit the 138,414 students enrolled in Delaware public education by increasing student access to current materials to increase their knowledge base and improve students' reading scores and literacy inequity issues.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Update average age of school libraries' collections in the Delaware Library Catalog to become more current;
- Increase total count of items for students aged 6-18 in the Delaware Library Catalog; and
- Remove outdated items from school libraries' collections through weeding.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6327

PROJECT TITLE: Geriatric Work Force Enhancement Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.969

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$4,200,976 for a five-year grant period of the Geriatric Work

Force Enhancement Program, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will be used to transform the geriatric healthcare workforce in Sussex County by creating education and training opportunities for healthcare professionals, service providers, families, and caregivers and transforming a core healthcare system into an age friendly health system.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop partnerships between academia, primary sites/delivery systems and community organizations;
- Establish partnership agreements addressing roles, responsibilities, and data sharing;
- Review Geriatric Certification curriculum and incorporate Alzheimer's and Dementia Related Diseases curriculum and age-friendly standards; and
- Initiate and maintain monthly partnership meetings.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6293

PROJECT TITLE: Standard Chlorine of Delaware – Metachem Operal Unit 4

Remedial Design

CFDA NUMBER: 66.802

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous

Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$23,753 for a three-year grant period of the Standard Chlorine Metachem Remedial Design cooperative agreement and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.07 NSF FTE which are already included in the department's authorized budget compliment. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

DNREC is the Support Agency for this Federal lead enforcement site. The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to provide funding for the support activities conducted by the State agency during the Remedial Design phase.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Review and comment on all related documents, including the Record of Decision, the Remedial Design, and the State Superfund Contract;
- Attend planning meetings with EPA and provide technical input;
- Prepare and plan for assumption of the O&M for the pump and treat system;

- Maintain a project file of documents and correspondence plus allow access through the Delaware Freedom of Information Act process;
- Coordinate the exchange of information concerning neighboring EPA Superfund sites and State of Delaware cleanup program sites;
- Assist with the coordination of other State of Delaware agencies that are involved in project activities; and
- Provide management of environmental data from the Metachem/Standard Chlorine Site in such a way that it is compatible with and can be used to enhance information from neighboring sites.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6317

PROJECT TITLE: Assistance for Adoption Building Energy Codes- IRA

CFDA NUMBER: 81.117

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and

Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy for \$12,330,408 for a nine-year grant period of the Assistance for Adoption Building Energy Codes – Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Division of Climate, Coastal and Energy (DCCE) will develop and deploy a Building Performance Standard (BPS) per IRA guidelines for adoption and implementation of innovative Building Energy Codes by States and Certain Units of Local Government. DCCE plans to use IRA funds to reduce the fossil fuel use of existing large commercial buildings by setting performance targets to decrease energy consumption in these buildings over time through a BPS. The exact amount of emission reduction will be dependent on the current building stock. Energy savings cannot be projected in advance of conducting a thorough analysis and benchmarking of the current stock. Once analysis is completed, benchmarking will be used for development of performance standards and metrics.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop an implementation plan;
- Prepare BPS initiatives to be proposed in Legislation;
- Contract with Kent Conservation District to implement BPS;
- Organize and offer technical training on BPS to interested parties;
- Inform building owners impacted by BPS; and
- Create a helpdesk for ongoing support of impacted building owners.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6343

PROJECT TITLE: School Violence Prevention Program

CFDA NUMBER: 16.710

APPLICANT: Education, Caesar Rodney School District

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Caesar Rodney School District has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Grants, for \$500,000 for a three-year period of the School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP) grant, and this is the first year of the program. A required state contribution of \$125,000 brings the total project support to \$625,000. There are no positions associated with the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Caesar Rodney School District plans to utilize the SVPP funds to improve the existing security capabilities of its schools and improve its access control systems. CRSD will purchase and install security cameras and classroom badge readers in four elementary schools: Allen Frear Elementary, McIlvaine Early Childhood Center, W.B. Simpson Elementary, and Star Hill Elementary. The goal is to reduce violence and improve the safety of its schools, while decreasing the response time by the Administration and law enforcement should issues arise.

This year's measurable objectives include the following:

- Installing internal cameras in the halls at the four aforementioned elementary schools;
- Installing additional external call boxes at all 14 schools within the district to screen visitors more effectively to the building; and
- Installing badge readers in the remaining elementary school classrooms which do not already have them.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6206 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: The Emergency Food Assistance Program Commodity Credit

Corporation

CFDA NUMBER: 10.187

APPLICANT: Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food

Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for an additional \$243,000 for a one-year period for The Emergency Food Assistance Program Commodity Credit Corporation grant, and this is the second year of the project. This brings the total support for the project to \$375,000. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) provides additional food resources and operational support for emergency feeding programs nationwide due to the continued need for emergency food assistance. Commodity foods received by Delaware will be shipped directly to the Food Bank of Delaware and will then be distributed to various eligible agencies and individuals by the Food Bank. 100 percent of the funds will be disbursed to the Food Bank of Delaware as reimbursement for distribution and storage costs for the commodity foods.

The objective of this grant is to distribute in an equitable and timely manner USDA Foods offered to the Food Bank of Delaware for further distribution to all eligible recipients. Last year the Food Distribution program made 2,997,482 pounds of food valued at \$4,087,950.83 available to all recipients by direct delivery. Foods included fruits, vegetables, meat, fish, poultry and basic staples.

2. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-03-01

PROJECT TITLE: Housing Choice Vouchers – Moving to Work

CFDA NUMBER: 14.881

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Office of Public and Indian Housing for \$10,804,240 for the Housing Choice Vouchers – Moving to Work Program, and this is the 48th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, 13.75 non-state DSHA personnel are supported by the program. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Housing Choice Voucher Program is HUD's major program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly and the disabled to afford decent, safe and sanitary housing in the private market, which can include single-family homes, townhouses, apartments and manufactured homes in Kent and Sussex counties. DSHA will continue to provide housing subsidies to private landlords through Housing Assistance Payment Contracts for 893 low-income families in Kent and Sussex counties who are issued a Housing Choice Voucher and another 15 families who have vouchers and are looking for housing. Additional vouchers are scheduled to be issued to families on the waiting list. Housing assistance is paid directly to private landlords on behalf of the family or individual. The participant may choose any housing that meets the requirements of the program and where the owner agrees to rent under the program. Rental units must meet minimum standards of health and safety based on the Delaware State Housing Code and HUD's Housing Quality Standards. Families pay 30 to 35 percent of their adjusted monthly income towards rent and utilities and DSHA subsidizes the balance. The maximum rent for a unit is based on the number of bedrooms and is set by HUD.

3. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-05-01

PROJECT TITLE: Family Unification Program

CFDA NUMBER: 14.880

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Office of Public and Indian Housing for \$912,310 for a one-year period of the Family Unification Program, and this is the 16th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Family Unification Program covers Kent and Sussex counties providing funding for two different populations. The first is for families whose lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in the imminent placement of their children in out-of-home care, and the other is for youth 18-21 years old who left foster care at the age of 16 or older and who lack adequate housing. Youth Family Unification Program vouchers are limited by statute to 18 months. Families and youth may also participate in the Moving to Work program, where they are assigned to case managers with the goal to move to non-subsidized housing within five years.

Participants must find their own patriate-market housing that meets the requirements and where the owner agrees to rent under this program. Assistance is then paid directly to the landlord on behalf of the individual or family. Families pay 30-35 percent of their adjusted monthly income towards rent and utilizes, and DSHA subsidizes the balance, with the maximum rent for a unit set by HUD. DSHA's objective is to provide funding for 50 units of rental assistance.

4. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-12-01

PROJECT TITLE: Mainstream Voucher Program

CFDA NUMBER: 14.879

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) has applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Public and Indian Housing for \$683,368 for a one-year grant period of the Mainstream Voucher Program, and this is the seventh year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant, however, 0.25 non-state DSHA personnel are supported by this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program helps to further the goals of the Americans with Disabilities Act by helping persons with disabilities live in the most integrated settings possible. This funding will provide 65 units of rental assistance vouchers to non-elderly persons with disabilities who are transitioning out of institutional or other separated settings; at serious risk of institutionalized; homeless; or at risk of becoming homeless.

5. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-19-01

PROJECT TITLE: Public Housing Operations Program – Moving to Work

CFDA NUMBER: 14.881

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Public and Indian Housing for \$2,326,050 for a one-year period of the Public Housing Operations Program – Moving to Work grant, and this is the 50th year of the project. A discretionary contribution of \$867,290 from rental income and other fees paid by program participants brings the total program support to \$3,193,340. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, 20.6 non-state DSHA personnel support the program. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

DSHA provides continuous management operations to approximately 290 affordable rental housing units in New Castle, Kent, and Sussex counties. These units provide housing for working families and those enrolled in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families who must participate in DSHA's Moving to Work program, where DSHA resident services staff provide case management for up to five years. The program's objective is to continue to increase the number of residents who purchase homes or begin to pay fair market rent at their current unit, or who move into non-subsidized rental housing.

6. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-19-02

PROJECT TITLE: Public Housing Capital Program – Moving to Work

CFDA NUMBER: 14.881

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Public and Indian Housing for \$1,047,225 for a three-year grant period of the Public Housing Capital Program – Moving to Work grant, and this is the 32nd year of the project. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, 1.60 non-state DSHA personnel are supported by this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The goal of the Public Housing Capital Program – Moving to Work is to continually modernize and ensure the long-term viability of DSHA's public housing stock. DSHA owns and manages five developments (280 units) in New Castle, Kent and Sussex Counties, and 10 scattered site units in Kent County. Funds are spent on general equipment, air conditioning and heating upgrades, land improvements and buildings and grounds improvements at public housing sites across the state.

7. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-22-01

PROJECT TITLE: Performance Based Contract Administrator Program

CFDA NUMBER: 14.327

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Office of Housing – Federal Housing Commissioner for \$46,460,565 for a one-year period of the Performance Based Contract Administrator Program, and this is the 25th year of funding. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, 8.0 non-state DSHA personnel support the program. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides Section 8 rental subsidies statewide to project owners of low-income family renters at 60 sites of Section 8 developments encompassing 4,656 units. The subsidy payments equate to the different between the HUD approved rent for a particular unit and the HUD required contribution from eligible tenant families. Low-income families are defined as families whose income does not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area in which the project is located. DSHA's objective, in addition to providing the subsidies, is to provide management and occupancy review and verify units meet Housing Quality Standards.

8. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-24-01

PROJECT TITLE: Community Development Block Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 14.228

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development for \$2,752,623 for a three-year grant period of the Community Development Block Grant, and this is the 41st year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, 1.04 non-state DHSA personnel are supported by the program. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides funding for housing and public facility improvements which serve the needs of low-income and moderate-income persons in Kent and Sussex counties. The objective is to prevent slums and blight and to meet community development needs in situations posing an immediate threat to the health and welfare of a community where other financial resources are not available. Funds will be used to assist with the cost of household rehabilitation, sewer hookups, demolition, infrastructure projects, program delivery and administration.

9. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-24-02

PROJECT TITLE: Emergency Solutions Grants Program

CFDA NUMBER: 14.231

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development for \$263,071.00 for a two-year period of the Emergency Solutions Grants Program, and this is the 41st year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program is designed to provide payment for maintenance, operations, insurance, utilities and furnishings for new and increased essential services to the homeless; renovations, major rehabilitation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelters for the homeless; short- term homeless prevention assistance to persons at imminent risk of losing their housing due to eviction, foreclosure or utility shutoff; and administrative costs, including the expense of computer hardware or software related to the Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS). In 2023, the Delaware Point-in-Time survey identified 1,289 persons as being sheltered and unsheltered homeless. This program will support assisting as many clients as possible.

10. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-24-03

PROJECT TITLE: Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

CFDA NUMBER: 14.241

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development for \$412,182 for a one-year period of the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS program, and this is the 28th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides appropriate supportive services to promote housing opportunities for persons with AIDS and their families, including rental assistance, short-term payments to prevent homelessness, health and mental health assessments, nutritional services and intensive care when required. DSHA will make grant funds available for use in Kent and Sussex counties only. The objective is to provide funds to the Delaware HIV Consortium for the assistance of clients through the provision of housing supportive services. The consortium will target the needs of individuals in all stages of the HIV virus. This year's objective is to assist 38 families with tenant-based rental assistance.

11. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-24-04

PROJECT TITLE: HOME Investment Partnership

CFDA NUMBER: 14.239

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development for \$3,000,000 for a five-year grant period of the HOME Investment Partnership grant, and this is the 33rd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.54 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The HOME Investment Partnerships program provides funds to support and sustain affordable housing rental opportunities for very low and low-income Delawareans. Nonprofit and for-profit developers and other housing providers may apply for HOME funds for acquisition, demolition, new construction, conversion, or rehabilitation of single or multi-family housing and transitional housing. The primary use of these funds has been to provide multi-family rental housing statewide in conjunction with the Housing Development Fund and the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program. The objective of the program is to provide standard affordable housing units and related technical and financial assistance through acquisition rehabilitation and new construction.

12. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-24-05

PROJECT TITLE: Housing Trust Fund

CFDA NUMBER: 14.275

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority is applying to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development for \$3,000,095 for a five-year grant period and the ninth year of the Housing Trust Fund program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.33 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant program will provide and sustain affordable housing rental and homeownership opportunities to extremely low-income and very low-income households throughout the State. Activities may include acquisition, new construction, preservation and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing and affordable housing for homeownership.

13. SAI NUMBER: 2024-04-24-06

PROJECT TITLE: Recovery Housing Program

CFDA NUMBER: 14.228

APPLICANT: Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development for \$1,430,099 for a four-year grant period of the Recovery Housing Program, and this is the sixth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.53

NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

Public Law 115-271 authorized certain Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grantees (such as DSHA) to receive Recovery Housing Program funding in response to the Opioid epidemic. These funds will be used to provide quality, affordable housing assistance to individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder. By providing stable housing to support recovery, the program aims to support efforts for independent living. DSHA will subaward most of the funds to the Delaware Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health to assist in meeting the objectives of the program and develop housing or maintain housing for individuals.

This year's objectives include working with the low- and moderate-income clientele of the CDBG program on eligible activities which include acquisition, rehabilitation, reconstruction and new construction. Eligible clientele must include people who meet federal poverty limits and persons insured by Medicaid. Participants may receive assistance for the lesser of 2 years (cumulative) or until they secure permanent housing.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6280

PROJECT TITLE: Library Services and Technology Act

CFDA NUMBER: 45.310

APPLICANT: Department of State, Libraries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of State, Libraries has applied to the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, Office of Library Services for \$1,388,921 for a two-year grant period and the 27th year of funding for the Library Services and Technology Act grant. A required state contribution of \$715,491 brings the total project support to \$2,104,412. This program requires 7.00 NSF FTEs, 4.00 GF FTEs and 4.00 ASF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Library Services and Technology Act provides federal funds to State library administrative agencies to support the development of library services and technology initiatives.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continue to expand Library building capacity access services, and partnerships;
- Continue to enhance the professional development of Library staff; and
- Continue to facilitate development of learning and growth opportunities for individuals and communities.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6216

PROJECT TITLE: Advancing Health Equity – Diabetes

CFDA NUMBER: 93.426

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$850,000 for a one-year period of the Improving the Health of Americans through Prevention and Management of Diabetes and Heart Disease and Stroke grant, and this is the twelfth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 2.45 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This funding supports state-level and/or statewide implementation of cross-cutting approaches to promote health and prevent and control chronic diseases and their risk factors by implementing Category A and Category B strategies in high burden areas/communities. Category A strategies focus on diabetes management and type 2 diabetes prevention. Category B strategies focus on cardiovascular disease prevention and management.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve care and management of people with diabetes;
- Improve access to, participation in, and coverage for the National Diabetes Prevention Program lifestyle change program for people with prediabetes, particularly in underserved areas;
- Track and monitor clinical measures shown to improve healthcare quality and identify patients with hypertension;
- Implement team-based care for patients with high blood pressure and high blood cholesterol; and
- Link community resources and clinical service that support systematic referrals, self-management, and lifestyle change for patients with high blood pressure and high blood cholesterol.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6218

PROJECT TITLE: State Office of Rural Health

CFDA NUMBER: 93.913

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$223,410 for a one-year period of the State Office of Rural Health grant, and this is the 32nd year of the program. A required state contribution of \$670,230 and discretionary state contribution of \$385,744 brings the total project support to \$1,279,384. This project requires 1.25 NSF FTEs, which are included in the

department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

These funds will help public/private partnerships improve their health care systems by supporting initiatives and partnerships in rural health, such as workforce development. The funds also support collaboration with rural communities to identify and address issues affecting access to health care in rural areas.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve understanding of at least 100 rural medical providers and other health care advocates of issues affecting access to care for rural communities in Delaware;
- Place at least 15 health care providers in rural underserved areas in Delaware through recruitment programs; and
- Improve understanding of at least 50 rural medical providers and other health care advocates of cultural differences that may affect access to health care.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6259

PROJECT TITLE: National Cancer Prevention and Control Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.898

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$1,908,768 for a one-year period of the National Cancer Prevention and Control Program, and this is the 16th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$760,426 and a required maintenance of effort of \$50,000 brings the total state support to \$2,719,194 and the total project support to \$2,669,194. This project requires 11.15 NSF FTEs, 2.50 GF FTEs, and 1.00 ASF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

These funds will support implementation of cancer prevention and control programs to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity, mortality, and related health disparities utilizing a health equitable approach. The Delaware Comprehensive Cancer Control Program is composed of three national programs: 1) the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program 2) the National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and 3) the National Program of Cancer Registries.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase programmatic functioning;
- Increase promotion and collaboration with partners;
- Maintain and attempt to expand program services, including the using Patient Navigation networks to have patients enrolled in SFL screened;

- Increase use of evidence-based information to target outreach to disparate populations, and;
- Increase the number of clients screened with a focus on patient navigation.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6261

PROJECT TITLE: Improving the Health of Americans through Prevention and

Management of Diabetes and Heart Disease and Stroke

CFDA NUMBER: 93.426

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$949,314 for a one-year period of the Improving the Health of Americans through Prevention and Management of Diabetes and Heart Disease and Stroke grant, and this is the 12th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are 2.60 NSF FTEs associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This funding supports state investments in implementing and evaluating strategies to prevent and manage cardiovascular disease (CVD) in populations with a high prevalence of CVD, exacerbated by health inequities and disparities, social determinants. Specific emphasis is placed on the prevention and control of hypertension and high cholesterol.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Advance the use of health information systems to monitor population health;
- Assemble or create multidisciplinary teams to identify patients' support needs;
- Increase community clinical links to identify and respond to social services and support needs;
- Increase engagement of community health workers to provide a continuum of care; and
- Increase use of self-measured blood pressure monitoring.

19. SAI NUMBER: 6278

PROJECT TITLE: Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women

CFDA NUMBER: 93.436

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$525,000 for a one-year period of the Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women grant, and this is the fifth year of the program. A required state

contribution of \$217,112 brings the total project support to \$742,112. This project requires 1.00 NSF and 0.34 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The primary purpose of the grant is to implement prevention and control programs to reduce morbidity, mortality, and related health disparities related to vascular disease and stroke. This funding will be used to optimize cardiovascular disease (CVD) outcomes among vulnerable Delaware women.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase number of under-and uninsured participants, ages 35-64, who receive CVD risk assessment;
- Increase use of electronic health records (HER) and health information technology (HIT) to query, monitor, and track data;
- Increase use of metrics from program data to guide quality improvement activities, identify health care disparities and address health outcomes;
- Increase use of multidisciplinary care teams adhering to evidence-based guidelines to address patient needs; and
- Increase multidisciplinary partnerships with a network of state, regional, and local social services and support.

20. SAI NUMBER: 6295

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Senior Medicare Patrol Program Funds

CFDA NUMBER: 93.048

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$291,703 for a one-year period of the Delaware Senior Medicare Patrol Program Funds grant, and this is the 27th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program is a national initiative to combat waste, fraud and abuse of the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Senior volunteers are recruited and trained to educate the public on how to identify and report possible fraud, and cases of potential fraud are referred to the appropriate agencies for investigation.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Establish and maintain partnerships with agencies;
- Recruit, screen, train and retain diverse volunteers statewide;
- Educate beneficiaries, caregivers and families;
- Design and implement a statewide outreach campaign;
- Capture performance data with the designated system; and

• Resolve simple and/or complex issues from Medicare beneficiaries or refer for resolutions at a higher level of management.

21. SAI NUMBER: 6306

PROJECT TITLE: Child Care Development – Discretionary Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.575

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$21,916,712 for a two-year grant period of the Child Care Development Fund – Discretionary grant, and this is the 29th year of the program. A discretionary state contribution of \$1,699,800 brings the total project support to \$23,457,587. This project requires 17.55 NSF FTEs and 18.35 GF FTEs, which are included in the authorized budget complement for DHSS, the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, and the Department of Education. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Child Care Development Fund is the block grant which funds the Purchase of Care Child Care Program. The purpose of the grant is to provide low-income families with the financial resources to find and afford child care; enhance the quality and increase the supply of child care for all families; provide parents with a broad range of options in addressing their child care needs; strengthen the role of family; improve the quality and coordination of child care programs and early childhood development programs; and increase the availability of early childhood development and before and after school services. This year's program will provide childcare services for an average of 16,348 children.

22. SAI NUMBER: 6308

PROJECT TITLE: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

CFDA NUMBER: 93.558

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$32,290,981 for a five-year grant period of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) grant, and this is the 30th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$33,745,927 brings the total project support to \$66,036,908. This project requires 28.67 NSF FTEs, 1.85 ASF FTEs, and 24.40 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

TANF was established in Delaware in March 1997, replacing the Aid for Families with Dependent Children program. TANF is the primary cash assistance program for families with children. The goal of the program is to provide temporary help while a family works

toward self-sufficiency. The core elements of the program are time-limited benefits, promotion of responsible family planning, two-parent family provisions, rewarding work, enhanced child support activities and increased childcare for working families.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop a variety of support services to help with work readiness skills or special circumstances such as clients who are victims of domestic violence, have mental health or substance abuse issues, or have a medical disability;
- Assist individuals to obtain and retain employment; and
- Achieve an average monthly cash assistance caseload of 4,300 families.

23. SAI NUMBER: 6311

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$22,723,684 for a two-year period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program grant, and this is the 50th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$22,723,684 brings the total project support to \$45,447,368. This project requires 131.30 NSF FTEs and 131.30 GF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides funding for the costs of operating the food supplement program to low-income households in Delaware. This year's objective is to reach eligible but non-participating Delawareans through the state outreach plan. Outreach plan partners will continue to provide education, screening, application assistance to seniors, working poor and those with English as a second language.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Serve a monthly average of 60,022 households containing an average of 121,355 persons; and
- Reach eligible but nonparticipating Delawareans through renewing the state outreach plan to provide education, screening, and application assistance.

24. SAI NUMBER: 6312

PROJECT TITLE: Social Services Block Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.667

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$4,817,072 for a two-year grant period of the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG), and this is the 49th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 14.80 NSF FTEs which are included in the authorized budget complement for DHSS and the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families (DSCYF). Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant encompasses an array of social services to assist clients in becoming and remaining economically and socially self-sufficient; to protect them from abuse, neglect, and exploitation; and to strengthen and maintain their families.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Case management services to 570 adults;
- Adult day care services to 36 special needs adults;
- Day care to 2083 children;
- Foster care to 4 adults;
- Foster care to 754 children;
- Home-based services to 402 adults;
- Home delivered meals to 78 adults;
- Prevention and intervention services to 50 adults;
- Protective services to 7,563 children; and
- Special services to 1,933 children

25. SAI NUMBER: 6315

PROJECT TITLE: Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention

CFDA NUMBER: 93.197

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$540,000 for a one-year grant period of the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program grant, and the tenth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.0 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This funding will enhance the State's capacity to eliminate childhood lead poisoning as a major public health problem. The goal is to further reduce childhood lead poisoning by enforcing Delaware's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Act. This Act requires all children to be screened for lead poisoning at or around 12 months of age and repeat testing at 24 months for those at high risk.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Reinforce state and local collaborations that will enhance both primary and secondary childhood lead poisoning prevention;
- Enhance medical and community partnerships to increase activities and coordinate communities to mobilize action through lead hazards awareness education and outreach;
- Ensure sustained lead screening of children, data tracking and surveillance; and
- Engage identified high risk areas in Delaware for targeted outreach and education.

26. SAI NUMBER: 6324

PROJECT TITLE: Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative

Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 93.069

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for \$5,426,073 for a one-year period of the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement grant, and this is the 25th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$542,607 brings the total project support to \$5,968,680. This project requires 36.10 NSF FTEs and 5.11 GF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Hospital Preparedness and Public Health Emergency Preparedness programs are combined under one cooperative agreement; however, the funding streams are separate. These funds support the Division of Public Health in demonstrating measurable and sustainable progress toward achieving public health preparedness capabilities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Use CDC's established national preparedness and response capabilities to prioritize a risk-based approach to all-hazards planning and improve readiness, response, and recovery capacity for existing and emerging public health threats and modernized laboratory and electronic data systems;
- Enhance partnerships and improved communication systems for timely situational awareness and risk communication;
- Improve capacity to meet jurisdictional administrative budget and public health surge management needs and to improve public health response workforce recruitment, retention, resilience, and mental health;
- Maintain the State Health Operations Center, the warehouse facility used for SNS and RSS, Delaware Medical Reserve Corps, personnel, facilities, and equipment for response and recovery within the state for public health emergencies;

- Engage stakeholders, including businesses, community organizations, state, and local partners, in public health preparedness activities through an annual symposium, drills, exercises, website, apps, advertising, and outreach events;
- Continue updates of emergency plans and test through drills and/or tabletop exercises including Emergency Operations Coordination, High Consequence Infectious Disease Response;
- Maintain Delaware Access and Functional Needs planning group but continue focus on children in disaster while continuing to provide interpreter, language lines, and written translation available for exercise and real-world events;
- Conduct epidemiological surveillance and investigation; and
- Review and update all response and recovery plans as necessary to address current and emerging public health threats.

27. SAI NUMBER: 6296

PROJECT TITLE: Clean Water State Revolving Fund

CFDA NUMBER: 66.458

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Water for \$4,008,000 for a seven-year grant period of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, and this is the 32nd year of the project. A required state contribution of \$801,600 brings the total project support to \$4,809,600. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project will utilize the Federal Capitalization Grant for Delaware to continue capitalizing the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund (WPCRF) and provide long-term sources of financing funds for clean water infrastructure and conservation activities. Financial assistance is provided to public and private entities for planning, design and construction of wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facilities, stormwater infrastructure improvements, non-point source projects and estuary water pollution control projects. The WPCRF aims to finance projects that will proceed to construction or award construction contracts within eight quarters of the grant award.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide low interest loans and grants for wastewater projects;
- Provide low interest loans for eligible non-point sources expanded use activities;
- Provide grants for planning and design projects; and
- Provide principal loan forgiveness to help make projects more affordable.

28. SAI NUMBER: 6297

PROJECT TITLE: Clean Water State Revolving Fund Supplemental - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.458

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$11,164,000 for a seven-year grant period of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Supplemental—IIJA grant, and this is the third year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) signed by the President on November 15, 2021. A required state contribution of \$2,232,800 brings the total project support to \$13,396,800. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees will be paid with residual administrative costs as allowable and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project will utilize Delaware's Supplemental IIJA funds to provide a continuing source of financing for environmental infrastructure capital needs, and to maintain and improve water quality. Financial assistance is provided by the Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund (WPCRF) to public and private entities for planning, design, construction of wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facilities, stormwater infrastructure, non-point source projects and estuary water pollution control projects. This year's objectives include providing low-interest loans and grants for wastewater projects and principal loan forgiveness to help make projects affordable.

29. SAI NUMBER: 6298

PROJECT TITLE: Clean Water State Revolving Fund Emerging Contaminants -

IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.458

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$1,052,000 for a seven-year grant period of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Emerging Contaminants – IIJA grant, and this is the third year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees will be paid with residual administrative costs as allowable and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project will utilize Delaware's CWSRF Emerging Contaminants IIJA funds to provide a continuing source of financing for environmental infrastructure capital needs, and to maintain and improve water quality. Funds will be provided to support the base grant program for public and private entities for planning, design, construction of wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facilities, stormwater infrastructure, non-point source projects and estuary water pollution control projects. This year's objectives include

providing low-interest loans and grants for wastewater projects and principal loan forgiveness to help make projects affordable.

30. SAI NUMBER: 6304

PROJECT TITLE: Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 66.447

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$461,000 for a two-year period of the Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal grant, and this is the second year of funding. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees will be paid with residual administrative costs as allowable and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant is intended to address local government infrastructure needs for combined sewer overflows (CSO), sanitary sewer overflows (SSO), water reuse and stormwater management. DNREC will sub-award all grant funds to the City of Wilmington, Delaware to be used for the 15th and Walnut Street CSO Separation and Green Infrastructure Project. Matching funds will be in the form of a loan to the City of Wilmington from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. The project will provide separation of stormwater runoff from the combined sewer overflow collection system in two recently built housing areas located in one block of Walnut Street. The project will route the runoff through green infrastructure BMPs to capture the initial 1-2 inches of precipitation through a combination of rain gardens, subsurface trenches, and bioswales to reduce the quantity and improve the quality of stormwater prior to discharge into the Brandywine Creek.

31. SAI NUMBER: 6320

PROJECT TITLE: Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 66.460

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed

Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$1,228,700 for a five-year grant period of the Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant (NSP), and this is the 35th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$634,466 and in-kind local contributions of \$191,334 bring the total project support to \$2,054,500. This project requires 2.76 NSF and 2.80 GF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to fund two primary technology solutions supporting DNREC's efforts to reduce the environmental impact of sanitary sewer overflows.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Cost-sharing manure transport from areas of excess to alternative use sites and outof-state farmland;
- Provide funding assistance for a Nutrient Coordinator position that assists with manure relocation and nutrient management plan cost share programs, manages databases and reporting tasks, as well as assists with the overall implementation and management of the Delaware Nutrient Management Program;
- Provide funding to the local Conservation Districts for Conservation Planners to provide technical agricultural assistance and best management practice (BMP) implementation recommendations in targeted priority watersheds within Kent and Sussex Counties;
- Provide funding to cooperating partners such as Conservation Districts, local governments and non-profit organizations to implement agricultural and/or urban BMPs, structural agricultural BMPs, grass and riparian buffers, urban tree plantings, wetland creation, enhancement and/or restoration practices, water control structures, woodchip bioreactors, green infrastructure practices, rain gardens, living shorelines, stormwater retrofits, stormwater facility enhancements, and stream restoration projects in Delaware's nine priority watersheds that have EPA approved a-i watershed implemental plans; and
- Provide resources to fund a technical position tasked with marketing, managing, and coordinating of all aspects of the Delaware Conservation Reserve and Enhancement Program (CREP).

32. SAI NUMBER: 6305

PROJECT TITLE: Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act

Implementation Projects

CFDA NUMBER: 16.710

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, State Police, Executive

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, State Police, Executive has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services for \$80,000 for a two-year grant period for the Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Implementation Projects grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

These funds will be used to provide health and wellness training to the Delaware law enforcement community. The primary goals of this training will be to develop a systematic approach to optimizing mental and physical health, increasing job effectiveness, and

promoting career longevity and retention for all of the Delaware law enforcement community. Topics will include fueling and hydration for performance, meal planning, and daily implementation of healthy habits, pre-habilitation, injury prevention, pain science, recovery for career longevity, conditioning for performance, foundations of movement and lifting, programming in practice, optimizing mental performance under pressure, breathing, yoga, integrated restoration (i-rest) for tactical athlete performance, stress factors, behavioral health, building resilience in high-risk jobs, impact of sleep on performance, and how to create healthy sleep habits.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide four workshops that will be offered to all Delaware law enforcement agencies;
- Track and record the participation to verify training is being offered equitably among all law enforcement agencies; and
- Measure results through anonymous course evaluations and follow-up surveys to enhance and improve future workshops.

33. SAI NUMBER: 6302

PROJECT TITLE: Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment

CFDA NUMBER: 17.225

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$797,434 for a one-year grant period of the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment grant, and this is the eleventh year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 9.70 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment grant helps to reduce average unemployment durations for those receiving benefits and seeks to reduce improper payments of benefits. Funding is used to host workshops that provide labor market information and help claimants develop reemployment plans.

34. SAI NUMBER: 6289

PROJECT TITLE: Farm Bill – National Honeybee Survey

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA, APHIS) for \$13,800 for a one-year period of the Farm Bill – National Honeybee Survey grant, and this is the tenth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no

positions associated with this grant; however, one casual/seasonal position is partially supported by this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant is part of a national bee survey to survey the effects of pesticides, disease, pests, and environmental toxins. An apiary health professional with collect a sample of adult bees from eight colonies in each of 24 apiaries, collect pollen samples from 10 apiaries and provide an annual report to the USDA, APHIS.

35. SAI NUMBER: 6290

PROJECT TITLE: Spotted Lanternfly Outreach

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Administration, Plant Industries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Administration, Plant Industries has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for \$110,587 for a one-year grant period of the Spotted Lanternfly Outreach program, and this is the second year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.30 NSF FTE and portions of 7.00 casual/seasonal positions, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) is an invasive plant hopper native to southeastern Asia. It was first detected in Berks County, Pennsylvania, in late 2014, and has since spread through 13 counties in southeastern Pennsylvania, as well as being found in New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, New York and Delaware. This outreach program will fund activities to increase public awareness and participation in SLF suppression. DDA will conduct outreach at tabling events through direct contact with businesses to increase awareness of the Delaware Department of Agriculture Permit and Quarantine requirements, and through social media to increase public engagement.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct outreach to improve early detection in areas of Delaware where SLF populations have not yet been reported;
- Conduct outreach to increase public awareness of readily available control options on private property; and
- Provide education on the statewide SLF quarantine. This will include educating those required to get a permit and what actions are to be taken prior to moving regulated articles.

36. SAI NUMBER: 6303

PROJECT TITLE: Spotted Lanternfly Survey and Control

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for \$500,000 for a one-year period of the Spotted Lanternfly Survey program, and this is the eighth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.75 NSF FTE and partially supports 7.0 casual/seasonal positions, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Spotted Lanternfly is an invasive plant hopper species that is a pest of many plants including economically important fruit crops such as apples, peaches and grapes, and certain hardwood trees. This project will fund a survey and outreach program targeted at Spotted Lanternflies. This includes determining the severity of infestation; education the public to identify, report and remove egg masses; and working to eradicate the Spotted Lanternfly population.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Determine the severity of the spotted lanternfly infestation through inspections;
- Coordinate seasonal staff for survey and control measures, organize property owners into a control program, and conduct training and outreach presentations across the state; and
- Apply insecticide to destroy the Spotted Lanternfly and eradicate the new populations.

37. SAI NUMBER: 6283

PROJECT TITLE: State Assessment and Related Activities

CFDA NUMBER: 84.369

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Academic Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$3,594,954 for a two-year grant period for the State Assessments and Related Activities grant, and this is the 22nd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 2.10 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Office of Assessment provides oversight and funds for state student assessment programs to measure academic performance, including Smarter Assessments for English Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy and Mathematics, Next Generation Science Standards Science Assessment (NGSS), Alternate Assessments, Delaware Communication Portfolio Summary (DCPS), Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT), Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), and Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS).

This year's objectives are to administer the following assessments:

- ELA/Literacy and Mathematics to all eligible public school students in grades 3-8;
- SAT School Day for all students in grade 11;
- NGSS Science to all public school students in grades 5, 8, and Biology;
- Social Studies to all public school students in grades 4, 6, 8, and 11;
- Alternative Assessment for ELA and Mathematics in grades 3-8 and 11 to all public school students:
- Alternative Assessment for science grades 5, 8, and 10 to all public school students;
- DCPS for ELA/Literacy and Mathematics to all public school students in grades 3-8;
- DCPS for Science for all public school students in grades 5, 8, and Biology;
- PSAT 10 to all grade 10 public school students; and
- ACCESS 2.0 to all English Language Learners (ELL) public school students in grades K-12.



Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee July 29, 2024

The July 23, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for June projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:01 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative, via Zoom
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative, via Zoom
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Carla Cassell-Carter, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

6347, Community Level Innovations for Improving Health
 Lauren Butscher, Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,
 Community Health

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. <u>6349, Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer - Program Benefits</u>
Jessica Horn, Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6345 Court Improvement Program Grant
- 2. 6359 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment
- 3. 6360 Family Violence Service and Prevention Act Grant
- 4. 6364 John R. Justice
- 5. 6380 State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program IIJA
- 6. 6365 AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America
- 7. 6373 Promotion of the Arts -Partnership Agreement

- 8. 6378 Historic Preservation Grant-in-Aid
- 9. 6314 Ryan White Care Act Title II Supplement
- 10. 6316 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
- 11. 6322 Promoting Adolescent Health Through School-Based Surveillance
- 12. 6330 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families-Contingency
- 13. 6331 Child Care Development Mandatory
- 14. 6332 Child Care Development Fund Matching
- 15. 6333 Refuge Cash and Medical Assistance Program
- 16. 6334 Refugee Social Service Case Program
- 17. 6335 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment
- 18. 6336 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment Operations
- 19. 6337 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training
- 20. 6338 Supplemental Nutritional Education
- 21. 6339 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program State Exchange
- 22. 6340 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Access
- 23. 6341 Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer System
- 24. 6348 Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities
- 25. 6363 Delaware Health Insurance Individual Market
- 26. 6366 Foster Grandparent Program Grant
- 27. 6375 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
- 28. 6379 Community Services Block Grant
- 29. 6381 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
- 30. 6368 Title IV-E Independent Living Program
- 31. 6369 Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act
- 32. 6371 Title IV-B, Subpart 2 Promoting Safe and Stable Families
- 33. 6372 Title IV, Part E Education and Training Vouchers
- 34. 6321 Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve Operation
- 35. 6323 Millsboro Trichloroethylene Removal
- 36. 6344 Delaware Coastal Management Program Implementation
- 37. 6351 Water Quality Management Planning
- 38. 6352 Recreational Boating Safety Grant
- 39. 6362 Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health
- 40. 6367 Del Riparian and Conservation Practice Partnership
- 41. 6374 Shellfish Sanitation Equipment
- 42. <u>4119 Amendment W-37-R-20 Wildlife Investigations Waterfowl and Migratory</u> Game Birds
- 43. 5324 Amendment Weatherization Assistance Program
- 44. 5331 Amendment Support Agency Cooperative Agreement Brownfields Revitalization
- 45. 5598 Amendment Brownfields Revitalization IIJA
- 46. <u>5992 Amendment State Energy Program</u>
- 47. 6358 Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities
- 48. 6377 DNA Capacity Enhancement & Backlog Reduction Program

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve Continued Business Items 1-48. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Singerely,

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting July 23, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6347

PROJECT TITLE: Community Level Innovations for Improving Health

CFDA NUMBER: 93.137

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health (DPH), has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health for \$599,785 for a one-year grant period of the Community Level Innovations for Improving Health grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Community Level Innovations for Improving Health grant funds projects that implement community level innovations that reduce barriers related to Social Determinants of Health (SDOH), increase use of preventive health services, and make progress toward Leading Health Indicator (LHI) targets. LHIs are a subset of high priority Healthy People 2030 (HP2030) objectives selected to drive action toward improving health and well-being. Projects are funded that include community networks prepared to strengthen community support services, provide health resources, and help connect individuals to preventive health services.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Partner with local health systems and community-based organizations to implement a pantry-based Nourishing Families (NF) program to reduce food insecurity rates in Delaware;
- Develop and implement one Community Health Worker (CHW) Nutrition Security Upskill program to provide topic-specific professional development and increase an understanding nutrition security in the CHW workforce; and
- Build and sustain one Nutrition Security Collaborative that will serve as a resource hub to support development, implementation, replication, and sustainability of the NF Program model.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6349

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer – Program Benefits

CFDA NUMBER: 10.646

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services for \$9,720,000 for a one-year grant period of the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer – Program Benefits grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) grant provides grocery buying benefits to low-income families with school-aged children while schools are closed during the summer months. Summer EBT benefits are preloaded onto EBT cards for eligible families to purchase healthy and nutritious food at grocery stores, farmer's markets, and online retailers that accept EBT.

The Summer EBT Program Benefits will provide \$120 for the summer period (\$40 per month) in food assistance to approximately 81,000 eligible children across the State of Delaware. A total of up to \$9,720,000 will be delivered to families to improve food security for children statewide throughout the summer.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6345

PROJECT TITLE: Court Improvement Program Basic Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.586

APPLICANT: Judicial, Family Court

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Judicial, Family Court has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$299,719 for a two-year grant period of the Court Improvement Program (CIP) Basic Grant, and this is the 29th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$100,812 brings the total project support to \$400,531. This grant requires 1.00 NSF FTE, 0.42 GF FTE, and 0.03 ASF FTE, which are included in the agency's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant supports the data, training, and basic needs of Family Court, which further the goals of CIP, ensures that Delaware's CIP Strategic Plan is properly monitored, and that activities to support initiatives progress throughout the year. Grant funds support the data needs of Family Court to effectively track and report key court performance outcomes regarding dependency, neglect and abuse cases. This information is shared with Family Court, the Division of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families (DSCYF) and other statewide stakeholders.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Prevent unnecessary entry of youth into DSCYF custody and ensure that there are meaningful connections and ongoing services for youth that age out of foster care;
- Improve engagement and foster a meaningful experience for youth and parents during DSCYF or Family Court custody hearings;
- Engage with statewide stakeholders to ensure that the agency as well as children and families involved in the child welfare system are provided quality legal representation; and
- Ensure that all children in DSCYF custody achieve safe and timely permanency outcomes and experience quality court hearings.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6359

PROJECT TITLE: Residential Substance Abuse Treatment

CFDA NUMBER: 16.593

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for \$243,862 for a four-year grant period for the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) grant, and the 27th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$81,294 brings total project support to \$325,156. This grant requires 0.25 NSF FTE and 0.06 GF FTE, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The RSAT for State Prisoners Program assists states and local governments in implementing substance abuse treatment programs in correctional and detention facilities to create and maintain community-based aftercare services. The goal of the program is to break the cycle of drugs and violence by reducing the demand for, use, and trafficking of illegal drugs.

This year's objective includes the following:

- Prepare justice-involved youth to reintegrate into their community by enhancing the capabilities of Delaware's Youth Rehabilitative Services (YRS) to provide residential substance abuse treatment and aftercare treatment plans upon exit; and
- Prepare justice-involved pregnant and new mothers to reintegrate into their community by enhancing the capabilities of Delaware's Department of Correction (DOC) to provide residential substance abuse treatment and aftercare treatment plans upon exit.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6360

PROJECT TITLE: Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.671

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$916,054 for a two-year grant period for the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) grant, and this is the 36th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$11,929 and required subrecipient contributions of \$217,563 brings the total project support to \$1,145,546. This grant requires 0.42 NSF and 0.10 GF FTEs, which are included in the agency's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act grant allows the Criminal Justice Council to work with community partners such as domestic violence shelters to provide emergency shelter and supportive services to victims and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence and family violence. Additionally, FVPSA targets other supportive services aimed at the prevention of future acts of violence. The State must ensure 70 percent of funds will be distributed equally among the five emergency domestic violence shelters across the State. Subgrantees will provide the required match. No less than 25 percent of the funding may be used for the purpose of providing non-residential related supportive services.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6364

PROJECT TITLE: John R. Justice Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 16.816

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for \$69,633 for a two-year grant period for the John R. Justice Grant, and this is the 16th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.08 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This year's objectives include awarding funds to assist with college loan repayments for Deputy Attorney Generals and Assistant Public Defenders who are approved for loan reimbursement. Participants who are approved for loan reimbursement must commit to 3 years with the respective agencies. All payments are paid directly to the loan servicers on behalf of the approved applicant.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6380

PROJECT TITLE: State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program

CFDA NUMBER: 11.032

APPLICANT: Department of Technology and Information, Administration

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Technology and Information (DTI), Administration has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration for \$4,816,482 for a five-year grant period of the State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program, and this is the second year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There is no required state match. This project requires 0.75 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Digital Equity Capacity Grant, part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), is being distributed in three stages. This application is for the first stage which is \$4.8 million of the \$12 million allocation DTI expects to receive over the five-year life of the grant. The second and third rounds of applications will be in spring 2025 and spring 2026. The Digital Equity Capacity Grant requires that we target the following populations who are less likely to experience digital equity: low-income households, senior citizens, racial and ethnic minorities, veterans, rural residents, incarcerated and returning individuals, people with disabilities, and those with language or literacy barriers.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6365

PROJECT TITLE: AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America

CFDA NUMBER: 94.013

APPLICANT: Department of State, Libraries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of State, Libraries has applied to the Corporation for National and Community Service for \$15,000 for a one-year grant period of the AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) grant, and this is the 2nd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The VISTA program is designed to help fight poverty through work on community projects with various organizations, communities, and individuals. The 2024 VISTA Support Grant award will fund a VISTA supervisor/recruitment/retainment staff person to assist the Delaware Division of Libraries. Planned activities include filling all open VISTA slot positions and hosting a summer associate program for 10 or more members.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Write and complete VISTA Assignment Descriptions (VAD) and service opportunities;
- Actively recruit, interview, and supervise the AmeriCorps VISTA volunteers;
- Actively work with library sites, VISTA individuals and partners; and
- Capture and report data inputs and outputs to AmeriCorps VISTA on a timely basis.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6373

PROJECT TITLE: Promotion of the Arts – Partnership Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 45.025

APPLICANT: Department of State, Division of Arts, Office of the Director

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of State, Division of Arts, Office of the Director has applied to the U.S. National Endowment for the Arts for \$940,000 for a one-year period of the Promotion of the Arts - Partnership Agreement, and this is the 56th year of the program. A required state match of \$940,000 brings the total project support to \$1,880,000. This project requires 3.00 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

These funds are used by the Division of the Arts to support the nonprofit arts sector, artists, schools, and the public by providing grants, programs, and services to its constituents, as well as publicizing arts programs and events throughout Delaware. The Division is advised by the Delaware State Arts Council, a 16-member body appointed by the Governor and representing communities throughout Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Support high-quality arts programming statewide that fosters broad public participation, engagement and use of Delaware cultural resources;
- Engage the Division's nonprofit arts grantees in professional development and networking opportunities to build a stronger and more sustainable arts infrastructure statewide;
- Expand Division outreach to underserved communities with funding, services, and public information about the arts; and
- Raise the public's awareness of the arts and its impact on education, economy, and quality of life.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6378

PROJECT TITLE: Historic Preservation Grant-in-Aid

CFDA NUMBER: 15.904

APPLICANT: Department of State, Historical and Cultural Affairs, Office

of the Director

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of State, Historical and Cultural Affairs, Office of the Director is applying to the U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service (NPS) for \$668,277 for a two-year grant period of the Historic Preservation Grant-in-Aid program, and this is the 54th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$400,966, and \$44,552 in other funding brings the total project support to \$1,113,795. This project requires 5.40 NSF FTEs, 0.75 GF FTE and 2.75 ASF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Historic Preservation Grants-in-Aid project supports preservation activities of state and local governments that are certified under this program.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Plan for redesign/upgrade of the web-based Cultural and Historical Resource Information System (CHRIS);
- Add 100 properties to the State's historic property inventory;
- Submit three National Register nominations to the National Park Service (NPS) for review;
- Complete 300 project reviews and develop one new Programmatic Agreement with federal agencies;
- Review and submit to NPS three applications for federal tax credits;
- Review applications and award eight million dollars in state tax credits; and
- Give a minimum of three public presentations on preservation subjects, which may include virtual presentations.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6314

PROJECT TITLE: Ryan White Care Act Title II Supplement

CFDA NUMBER: 93.917

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$3,000,000 for a two-year period of the Ryan White Care Act Title II Supplement grant, and this is the 33rd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides appropriate, accessible, and affordable health care to vulnerable populations, specifically persons living with HIV infection, by contracting with community-based agencies and Christiana Care Health Services. This year's objectives include serving at least 214 HIV/AIDS clients with case management services; ensuring at least 365 eligible clients receive ADAP reimbursement therapeutic scripts; and providing at least 40 eligible clients home delivered meals.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6316

PROJECT TITLE: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

CFDA NUMBER: 93.336

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$599,822 for a one-year period of the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) grant, and this is the 35th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The BRFSS is an ongoing, multi-mode survey of adult behavioral risk factors that impact the leading causes of premature death, morbidity, and disability in Delaware. These essential, core public health data are used for planning, implementing, targeting and evaluation of health promotion and disease prevention programs.

This year's strategies and activities include the following:

- Improve the availability, quality, and timeliness of Delaware BRFSS data collection;
- Improve dissemination, access to, and employment of quality Delaware BRFSS data to drive public health policy and programs; and
- Improve the number of interviews to allow for sub-state and demographic comparison.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6322

PROJECT TITLE: Promoting Adolescent Health Through School-Based

Surveillance

CFDA NUMBER: 93.079

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Disease Control for \$112,500 for a one-year grant period of the Promoting Adolescent Health Through School-Based Surveillance, and this is the 28th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will be used to conduct the Youth Risk Behavior Survey and the School Health Profiles survey, formerly administered by the Department of Education (DOE). The survey is conducted alternate years providing essential data for health planning. Data is shared between the Division of Public Health's Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention Section and the Department of Education (DOE), through an MOU between the two agencies. The agencies and other partners cooperate on the development of the questionnaire and the sharing and utilization of the data.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6330

PROJECT TITLE: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - Contingency

CFDA NUMBER: 93.558

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$4,000,000 for a two-year period of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) - Contingency grant, and this is the 29th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The TANF program emphasizes work and parental responsibilities, with the goal that families be strengthened and begin to move toward independence. The core elements of the program are time-limited benefits, promotion of responsible family planning, two-parent family provisions, rewarding work, child support collections, enhanced child support activities, and increased childcare for working families. The TANF program is the primary cash assistance program for families with children. By emphasizing work and parental responsibilities, the program hopes that families can be strengthened and begin to move towards independence. This TANF Contingency funding will be used to support over 6,844 families who need childcare.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6331

PROJECT TITLE: Child Care Development Fund - Mandatory

CFDA NUMBER: 93.596

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$5,179,330 for a two-year grant period of the Child Care Development Fund – Mandatory grant, and this is the 29th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$5,179,325 brings the total project support to \$10,358,655. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted as part of the FY25 Child Care Development Fund – Discretionary grant (SAI 6306), and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Child Care Development Fund block grant funds the Purchase of Care Child Care Program. This year grant funds will be used to provide childcare services for an average of 16,348 children.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide low-income families with the financial resources to find and afford childcare;
- Enhance the quality and increase the supply of childcare for all families;
- Provide parents with a broad range of options in addressing their childcare needs;

- Strengthen the role of the family. Improve the quality and coordination of childcare programs and early childhood development programs; and
- Increase the availability of early childhood development and before and after school.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6332

PROJECT TITLE: Child Care Development Fund - Matching

CFDA NUMBER: 93.596

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$6,134,025 for a two-year grant period of the Child Care Development Fund - Matching grant, and this is the 29th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$6,134,025 brings the total project support to \$12,268,050. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted as part of the FY25 Child Care Development Fund – Discretionary grant (SAI 6306), and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Child Care Development Fund block grant funds the Purchase of Care Child Care Program. This year grant funds will be used to provide childcare services for an average of 16,348 children.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide low-income families with the financial resources to find and afford childcare;
- Enhance the quality and increase the supply of childcare for all families;
- Provide parents with a broad range of options in addressing their childcare needs;
- Strengthen the role of the family. Improve the quality and coordination of childcare programs and early childhood development programs; and
- Increase the availability of early childhood development and before and after school.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6333

PROJECT TITLE: Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.566

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$5,920,452 for a two-year grant period for the Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program, and this is the 43rd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides social services, cash and medical assistance to refugees settling in Delaware. The purpose is to aid effective resettlement and rapid economic self-sufficiency.

The number of refugee arrivals in the country is determined by the federal government; refugees may also be entering this program as secondary migrants to Delaware from other states. The program expects to work with approximately 3,000 refugees during Fiscal Year 2025.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6334

PROJECT TITLE: Refugee Social Service Case Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.566

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$982,658 for a two-year grant period of the Refugee Social Service Case Program, and this is the 44th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The grant provides medical assistance, financial assistance and social services to refugees settling in Delaware. The purpose is to aid effective resettlement and rapid economic self-sufficiency. Refugees are also involved in English literacy programs. The number of refugee arrivals in the country is determined by the federal government. Refugees may also be entering this program as secondary migrants to Delaware from other states. The program expects to work with approximately 3,000 refugees during the grant period.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6335

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment

and Training - Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$304,370 for a one-year period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training – Administration grant, and this is the 35th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will be used to operate a statewide voluntary Employment and Training program for Food Supplement Program recipients. The program helps clients gain

employment or participate in activities that will enhance their employment opportunities and gain economic stability. This year's program is to serve 21,600 recipients with a monthly average of 1,717 clients.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6336

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment

and Training – Operations

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Administration

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$211,305 for a one-year grant period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training – Operations grant, and this is the 33rd year of the program. A required state contribution of \$211,305 brings the total project support to \$422,610. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will be used to operate a statewide voluntary Employment and Training program for Food Supplement Program recipients. The program helps clients gain employment or participate in activities that will enhance their employment opportunities and grain economic stability. This year's objective is to serve 20,602 recipients and a monthly average of 1,717 clients.

19. SAI NUMBER: 6337

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment

and Training

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Administration

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$173,500 for a one-year grant period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training grant, and this is the 42nd year of the program. A required state contribution of \$173,500 brings the total project support to \$347,000. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will be used to operate a statewide voluntary Employment and Training program for Food Supplement Program recipients. The program helps clients gain employment or participate in activities that will enhance their employment opportunities and create economic stability. This year's objective is to serve the over 18,100 SNAP work-registered recipients meeting their monthly average of 230 Employment and Training participants in the program.

20. SAI NUMBER: 6338

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutritional Program Nutritional Education

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services for \$1,305,127 for a two-year grant period of the Supplemental Nutrition Program Nutritional Education grant, and this is the 15th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Delaware Nutrition Education Program is designed to assist Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program participants and low-income residents of Delaware make healthy food choices based on their budget, to use their resources wisely, to handle food safely and participate in physical activity each day. The program empowers individuals and families to link diet, physical activity, and health to achieve optimal health and fitness. This year's objectives are to reach 10,854 clients with direct services and 24,500 clients with indirect services, such as educational information and sound bites.

21. SAI NUMBER: 6339

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) State

Exchange

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$8,125 for a one-year grant period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) State Exchange grant, and this is the 30th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding supports interstate travel and training to share information and best practices with other states about the SNAP EBT program. Travel expenses will be reimbursed by the Food and Nutrition Service.

22. SAI NUMBER: 6340

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Access

CFDA NUMBER: 10.537

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$3,000 for a one-year grant period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Access grant, and this is the twenty-fifth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding supports interstate travel and training to share information and best practices with other states about the SNAP EBT program. Travel expenses will be reimbursed by the Food and Nutrition Service.

23. SAI NUMBER: 6341

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer System

CFDA NUMBER: 10.559

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$1,177,362 for a one-year grant period of the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer System (EBT) grant, and the second year of the project. A required state contribution of \$1,177,362 brings the total project support to \$2,354,724. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Summer EBT program provides grocery buying benefits to low-income families with school-aged children who lose access to free and reduced-price meals through the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program during the summer when school is not in session. The Division of Social Services will operate the program statewide in collaboration with the Department of Education and school districts.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop and implement SEBT system;
- Preloaded summer benefits of \$120 per child onto EBT cards for eligible families;
- Provide benefits to approximately 80,000 students statewide; and
- Encourage families to purchase healthy and nutritious foods.

24. SAI NUMBER: 6348

PROJECT TITLE: Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities

CFDA NUMBER: 84.181

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$2,587,723 for a one-year grant period of the Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities grant, and the 38th year of the program. This project requires 10.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant is funded under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. These funds establish a comprehensive, interagency early intervention system for infants and toddlers with disabilities and/or developmental delays. This year's objectives include increasing the number and percentage of infants and toddlers who demonstrate progress in Social-Emotional (SE) development.

25. SAI NUMBER: 6363

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Health Insurance Individual Market

CFDA NUMBER: 93.423

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Office of the

Secretary

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Office of the Secretary has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for \$64,724,320 for a two-year grant period of the Delaware Health Insurance Individual Market, and this is the fifth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The goal of this program is to reduce health insurance premiums by 20 percent and increase enrollment in the individual market by 3.2 percent. The state received approval for a 5-year waiver per Section 1332 of the Affordable Care Act which waives the requirement for a single risk pool and allows pass through funding for this program. The program is a reinsurance program that is expected to help stabilize Delaware's individual market by lowering premium rates, increasing enrollment, and improving the overall morbidity of the single risk pool. Through the impact of lowering individual market premium rates, the reinsurance program will help ensure that health care is as accessible and affordable as possible for Delaware citizens.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide increased access to affordable private market coverage;
- Encourage sustainable spending growth by helping to drive increased stability in the individual market and lower uninsured rates in the State;
- Support and empower those in need by helping to ensure that the State's citizens have access to affordable, high value insurance;
- Foster state innovation; and

• Promote consumer-driven health care by increasing the affordability of private health insurance in the individual market.

26. SAI NUMBER: 6366

PROJECT TITLE: Foster Grandparent Program Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 94.011

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, State Service

Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to the U.S. Corporation for National and Community Services for \$595,860 for a one-year period of the Foster Grandparent Program grant and this is the 58th year of the program. A discretionary state contribution of \$364,924 brings the total project support to \$960,784. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs do not apply.

The purpose of this grant is to provide funding to support volunteers who will provide one-on-one or small group mentoring or tutoring intervention to children with special and/or exceptional needs through a network of volunteer stations. Individuals who are age 55 or older and meet financial eligibility requirements can become volunteers and receive a stipend, transportation reimbursement, meals, physical exams, and training. This year's objectives are to have 72 volunteers serving 525 children with a goal of 66 unduplicated volunteers serving children in K-12 and 29 unduplicated volunteers serving 175 children in School Readiness category.

27. SAI NUMBER: 6375

PROJECT TITLE: Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.568

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, State Service

Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to the U.S. Corporation for National and Community Services for \$13,000,000 for a year-year period of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program grant and this is the 43rd year of the program. This project requires 2.25 NSF, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs do not apply.

The purpose of this grant is to provide outreach activities and assistance to low-income households in meeting home energy costs. Households with the lowest income and highest energy burden will be eligible for a greater benefit amount.

28. SAI NUMBER: 6379

PROJECT TITLE: Community Services Block Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.569

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, State Service

Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$4,082,197 for a one-year grant period of the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), and this is the 43rd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.75 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides for a range of services and activities that will have a measurable impact on poverty. The services provided through this grant include those that will promote self-sufficiency, family stability and community reinvestment. Delaware expects to support approximately 10,000 duplicated individuals representing approximately 2,500 households in reaching one or more of the three CSBG goals identified in this year's objectives.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Ensure individuals and families with low incomes are stable and achieve economic security;
- Reach communities where people with low incomes live so they healthy and offer economic opportunity; and
- Engage with people with low incomes to provide building opportunities in their communities.

29. SAI NUMBER: 6381

PROJECT TITLE: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Survey and

Certification – Long Term Care

CFDA NUMBER: 93.777

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Health Care Quality (DHCQ) has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for an additional \$526,000 of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Survey and Certification – Long Term Care grant, and this is the 60th year of the program. This supplement brings the total amount received for this program to \$1,694,301. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this supplement request. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant supports DHCQ, which is the regulatory survey agency for the State of Delaware responsible for the licensing of state facilities and is responsible for the licensing of

Medicare and Medicaid programs for the federal government. This year's objectives are to contract with surveyors to complete the backlog of survey and complaint investigations.

30. SAI NUMBER: 6368

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV-E Independent Living Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.674

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$500,000 for a two-year grant period of the Title IV- E Independent Living Program, and this is the 36th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$125,000 brings the total project support to \$625,000. The project requires 2.00 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Title IV-E Independent Living Program is geared to youth aged 14-18 in the department's care or custody, as well as youth who have exited care but have not reached age 23. The program prepares youth for self-sufficiency by teaching the skills needed to be productive citizens and fosters the development of supportive networks within the community and among the youth. The program also funds room and board opportunities for youth who have exited care, the Annual Independent Living statewide conference for youth and other training activities related to preparing youth for independence.

This year's objectives of the grant include:

- Increase the number of current and former foster youth who obtain their high school diploma or GED;
- Increase the number of former foster youth who obtain a vocational certification or License: and
- Increase the number of current and former foster youth who obtain employment.

31. SAI NUMBER: 6369

PROJECT TITLE: Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act

CFDA NUMBER: 93.669

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intake/Investigation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intake/Investigation has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services,

Administration for Children and Families for \$329,636 for a five-year grant period of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act grant, and this is the 35th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 3.00 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant assists the State in the development and implementation of child abuse and neglect prevention and treatment programs as outlined in the departments five-year plan mandated by the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 1996. Funding is used for child protection and child safety services as well as training for staff at all levels. This year's objectives are to continue to provide funding for two Institutional Abuse Investigator positions, two Intake and Investigation positions, and a contract for supportive medical services to victims of child abuse/neglect.

32. SAI NUMBER: 6371

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV-B, Subpart 2 - Promoting Safe and Stable Families

CFDA NUMBER: 93.556

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$61,287 for a two-year grant period of the Title IV-B, Subpart 2 – Promoting Safe and Stable Families grant, and this is the 19th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$20,429 brings the total project support to \$81,716. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program, Title IV-B, Subpart 2 of the Social Security Act, is a significant source of federal funds to help states keep children safe from maltreatment, allow children to remain safely with their families and ensure safe and timely permanency for children in foster care. The primary objective of this grant program is to financially support monthly foster care case worker visits.

33. SAI NUMBER: 6372

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV, Part E – Education and Training Vouchers Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.599

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$64,167 for a two-year grant period of the

Title IV, Part E – Education and Training Vouchers (ETV) Program, and this is the 21st year of the program. A required state contribution of \$16,042 brings the total project support to \$80,209. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides vouchers for education and training, including post-secondary learning and education, to former foster youth who have aged out of care or who have left foster care after age 16 for kinship, guardianship, or adoption. Funds are sub awarded to the Office of the Child Advocate for distribution and administration of the youth vouchers.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase the number of ETV participants that attend four-year college programs; and
- Increase the number of participants who complete college or a technical school.

34. SAI NUMBER: 6321

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve Operations

CFDA NUMBER: 11.420

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for \$1,850,031 for a three-year grant period of the Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve (DNERR) Operations, Education and Monitoring project, and the 36th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$792,871 brings the total project support to \$2,642,902. This project requires 4.50 NSF, 1.30 GF, and 0.60 ASF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. There are 3.0 casual seasonal positions supported by this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This project provides funds to support implementation of programs through DNERR. Operation funds will support facilities, vehicle and equipment support and maintenance, which education funds will support public and school programming, volunteer activities and outreach. This year's objectives include meeting Coastal Zone Management Act Section 312 metrics which are reported annually to NOAA, as well as the goals and objectives outlined by the National Estuarine Research Reserve Strategic Plan 2017-2022 and 2022-2027.

35. SAI NUMBER: 6323

PROJECT TITLE: Millsboro Trichloroethylene Removal

CFDA NUMBER: 66.802

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and

Hazardous Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$61,116 for a three-year grant period of the Millsboro Trichloroethylene Removal grant, and this is the second year of funding. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 0.16 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This cooperative agreement provides funding to DNREC, the support agency of this federal-lead enforcement site, during the non-critical time removal action.

This year's objectives of the grant include:

- Provide the EPA with the State's assurance that all activities performed by DNREC are in compliance with the work plan;
- Review all correspondence, work plans, analytical data and technical documents exchanged and provide comments to the EPA's project manager regarding those reviews:
- Assist the EPA's project manager to evaluate the attainment of the cleanup standard for the site; and
- Participate in conference calls and meetings with EPA and/or the respondents regarding the above mentioned documents.

36. SAI NUMBER: 6344

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Coastal Management Program Implementation

CFDA NUMBER: 11.419

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for \$3,406,906 for a three-year grant period of the Delaware Coastal Management Program Implementation Grant, and the 45th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$3,347,835 brings the total project support to \$6,754,741. This grant requires 9.60 GF, 3.00 ASF and 9.50 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds to operate the Delaware Coastal Management Programs (CMP) within DNREC. Activities include management, monitoring and evaluation of Delaware's coastal resources and implementation of the Delaware Coastal Management Program.

37. SAI NUMBER: 6351

PROJECT TITLE: Water Quality Management – Planning

CFDA NUMBER: 66.454

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed

Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for \$164,000 for a one-year period of the Water Quality Management – Planning grant, and this is the 44th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides funds for continued water quality assessment and management planning as authorized under the federal Clean Water Act. Program activities support Delaware's need for clean and safe water for drinking, recreation, and the propagation of health aquatic life.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Development of GIS-based Groundwater Management Zones Maps identifying areas of potential impact from known contamination sources, including emerging contaminates to for public protection.; and
- Develop a tool to estimate groundwater availability at the HUC-12 watershed level Federal Financial and Project Reports will be submitted in accordance with federal and state requirements.

38. SAI NUMBER: 6352

PROJECT TITLE: Recreational Boating Safety Financial Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 97.012

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife, has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Coast Guard, Office of Boating Safety, for \$1,115,185 for a one-year grant period of the Recreational Boating Safety Financial Assistance grant and this is the 48th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$1,404,883 brings the total project

support to \$2,520,068. This project requires 6.85 NSF and 10.25 GF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Recreational Boating Safety Financial Assistance program provides funds for DNREC to implement recreational boating safety standards in Delaware with the assistance of the U.S. Coast Guard.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continually monitor Delaware's laws, state policies and expenditures to assure that eligibility is maintained to participate in the grant program;
- Monitor and coordinate project activities (e.g. on-site project inspections, review of expenditures and accounting procedures, review of progress reports, etc.) to assure efficient and effective results and furnish timely performance and completion reports;
- Provide timely project documentation that assures adherence to program standards that meet goals and objectives; and
- Attend training on financial assistance and grants management to ensure that we are adhering to good financial practices and are incompliance with federal rules, regulations and laws This includes courses developed by the service.

39. SAI NUMBER: 6362

PROJECT TITLE: Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act

CFDA NUMBER: 66.472

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed

Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship, has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$209,000 for a one-year period of the Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health (BEACH) Act grant, and this is the 24th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of this project is to integrate all technical and water quality aspects of Delaware's Recreational Water Program under the auspices of the Beach Act. This includes all related planning, implementation, assessment, monitoring and public notification.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Monitor and sample for enterococcus bacteria bi-weekly from 24.5 miles of sandy beaches and 12 miles of ocean coastline;

- Collect biweekly data that can be used in decision-making processes that protect the health of primary contact recreational users and provide consistency across our bodies of water that ensure equivalent public health protection;
- Monitor beaches and observe and respond to other factors known to impact water quality to address health risks to beach users;
- Maintain continuous notification to the general public regarding the advisory status
 of swimming areas, by a toll-free number, website, e-mail messaging and signage;
 and
- Provide public notification to residents and visitors of Delaware regarding swimming water quality and address health risks to beach users in a timely manner.

40. SAI NUMBER: 6367

PROJECT TITLE: Riparian and Conservation Practice Partnership

CFDA NUMBER: 10.678

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed

Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$100,000 for a four-year grant period and the fourth year of the Riparian and Conservation Practice Partnership. A required state contribution of \$25,000 brings the total project support to \$125,000. This project requires 0.18 GF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Riparian and Conservation Practice Partnership provides funding in support of the Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts.

This year's objectives include:

- Foster program development and coordination within Delaware and the Chesapeake Bay watershed to prioritize the riparian buffer practices or other buffer/conservation practices;
- Develop and implement targeted strategies to increase landowner enrollment in conservation practices like riparian buffers, and other related conservation practices;
- Build regional partnerships with nonprofit organizations to assist with targeting and landowner outreach to more efficiently target practices;
- Provide technical assistance to support the placement, design, establishment, and maintenance of conservation practices;
- Track and report annual practices and accomplishments; and Attend trainings, partner meetings, and outreach events as applicable.

41. SAI NUMBER: 6374

PROJECT TITLE: Shellfish Sanitation Equipment

CFDA NUMBER: 93.103

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for \$39,891 for a one-year period of the Shellfish Sanitation Equipment grant, and this is the nineth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Shellfish Sanitation grant program allows the purchase of equipment that will directly benefit enforcement efforts by the DNREC Fish and Wildlife Natural Resources Police as part of the FDA's Shellfish Sanitation Program.

This year's objective is to purchase and deploy the following:

- 6-Wireless Man Over Boat Kits;
- 23-Electronic Flares:
- Abraxis Elisa System, Brevetoxin Elisa 96-test, Domoic Acid Elisa 96-test
- Motorola, APX 6500 Enh Series Police Radio;
- 4-Kokata Boat Crew Drysuits. Polartec Power Dry Liners, Neo Kozee Gloves; and
- 3–NOCO Genius Battery Jumpstarter.

42. SAI NUMBER: 4119 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for an additional \$26,250 for the 21st year of the Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds grant. A required state contribution of \$8,750 brings the total project support to \$35,000. When combined with the original request of \$118,482, the total project for this program is \$153,482. This project requires 0.20 NSF and 0.17 GF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement and were included in the original application. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect are not applicable.

This project provides funds for ongoing research, management and population inventories of waterfowl and other migratory game birds in Delaware. This research will be used to develop and evaluate management strategies and harvest regulations. This research is also

used to assist with prioritizing land protection activities and to help inform habitat management on state wildlife areas.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Evaluate and monitor migratory game bird populations using aerial and ground survey methods during three time periods;
- Trap, tag and track various waterfowl species;
- Provide technical assistance by representing Delaware at 7-12 technical meetings and workshops and by responding to 25-50 inquiries from the general public during peak times of human-wildlife conflict in Delaware;
- Investigate mortality events as they occur; and
- Derive annual waterfowl breeding population estimates by conducting surveys in 29 fixed plots established for nesting between April and May 2019.

43. SAI NUMBER: 5324 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Weatherization Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 81.042

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of the Secretary, Energy and Climate has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy for an additional \$955,864 for a three-year grant period of the Weatherization Assistance Program, and this is the 48th year of funding. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Weatherization Assistance Program provides energy conservation services to low-income Delawareans. Activities include residential energy audits, air sealing, insulation of attics and wall spaces, health and safety measures associated with energy and mechanical equipment and improving ventilation. This year's objective is to weatherize approximately 80 homes, saving residents 20 to 30 percent on energy bills.

44. SAI NUMBER: 5331 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Support Agency Cooperative Agreement - Brownfields

Revitalization

CFDA NUMBER: 66.817

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and

Hazardous Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances, has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response for an additional \$436,965 for the 21st year of the Support Agency Cooperative Agreement - Brownfields Revitalization project. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 2.30 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This project aims to assess and cleanup brownfield sites in a streamlined and cost-effective manner requiring minimal oversight and provide a mechanism by which property owners may be issued a letter of no further action for their site.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase public awareness and improve implementation of the Delaware Brownfield Program;
- Enhancing a process to achieve a statewide brownfield inventory;
- Developing oversight, enforcement, and other resources to ensure response actions and assessments will better protect human health and the environment; and
- Conduct three Site Specific Assessments (SSAs)

45. SAI NUMBER: 5598 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Brownfields Revitalization – IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.817

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and

Hazardous Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for an additional \$229,407 for a one-year grant period of the Brownfields Revitalization - IIJA grant, and this is the third year of the program. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) that was signed into law on November 15, 2021. There is no state match requirement. This project requires 0.40 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement and were in the original application. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant will provide funds to assess and cleanup sites. Activities will include non-site-specific tasks related to the program planning and management of the Delaware Brownfield Program (DBP), and program enhancement activities. DNREC will review work plans and reports, perform oversight of contractors hired to conduct environmental investigations, perform sampling and inventories at potential brownfield sites, and ensure proper protocol and compliance with State and Federal laws is maintained.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Perform a timely survey and inventory of brownfield sites in Delaware;
- Update the original inventory and provide a more robust evaluation of available brownfield opportunities in areas that will benefit the most from redevelopment and revitalization;
- Provide mechanisms and resources for meaningful opportunities for public participation; and
- Provide mechanisms for approval of a cleanup plan and verification and certification that cleanup is complete.

46. SAI NUMBER: 5992 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: State Energy Program

CFDA NUMBER: 81.041

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy for an additional \$435,270 for a two-year grant period of the State Energy Program and the 28th year of the grant. There is no required state contribution. There are 3.00 NSF FTEs associated with this grant which were included in the original application. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant is used to fund administrative costs for State Energy Program (SEP) staff working on energy policy and outreach. The staff funded through this project perform the following functions: oversight of mandatory SEP activities where necessary; transportation and biofuels policy; utility regulations; energy communications and outreach; statewide energy planning and assessment; updates to the strategic energy goals; legislation drafting, research, review, and comments; establishment of greenhouse gas targets statewide; facilitation of a greenhouse gas inventory; and the development of a climate action plan.

This year's objectives include hosting two Building Codes workshops, one Junior Solar Sprint event, and four Renewable Energy Taskforce meetings.

47. SAI NUMBER: 6358

PROJECT TITLE: Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities

CFDA NUMBER: 97.047

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland

Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$492,042 for a three-year grant period for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant, and this is the 15th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$408 and a required contribution of \$135,923 from program participants brings the total project support to \$628,373. This project requires 0.10 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant Program provides federal funding to assist States and local communities in implementing a sustained and effective natural hazard mitigation program. The program's goal is not only to reduce overall risk to the population and structures but also to reduce reliance on funding from actual disaster declarations. This year's submitted projects will accomplish many measurable objectives, in line with the mitigation strategy of the state. The first project is the Statewide Water Infrastructure Mapping by the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) that will develop a comprehensive inventory and digital map of the public drinking water and wastewater systems for the state. The second project is for management costs and will be used to help support project management and strengthen the mitigation program at 100 percent federal cost share.

48. SAI NUMBER: 6377

PROJECT TITLE: DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction

Program

CFDA NUMBER: 16.741

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Division of Forensic Science

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Division of Forensic Science (DFS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for \$650,000 for a two-year grant period for the DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program, and this is the eleventh year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The DNA Backlog Reduction Program provides DFS with an opportunity to handle, screen and analyze backlogged forensic deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) casework samples. This program also provides for the improvement of DNA laboratory infrastructure analysis capacity, so that forensic DNA samples can be processed efficiently and cost effectively. Additionally, these funds will be used toward the training of appropriate personnel and ensuring that analysts are utilizing the most recent equipment while adhering to standard practices and procedures in their examination of DNA evidence.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Purchase new equipment and supplies to assist with the reduction and ongoing maintenance of the DNA casework backlog;
- Training and continuing education for analysts;

- Maintenance of the convicted offender DNA database through the purchase of new equipment and supplies; and
- Supporting the CODIS server and the disaster recovery costs through the current DTI contract.

Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee September 13, 2024

The August 20, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for July projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:02 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative, via Zoom
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Carla Cassell-Carter, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

- 1. 6214, Support and Scale Up of HIV Prevention Services
 Funding not awarded, stricken from consideration.
- 2. <u>6500. Expansion of Medicaid and Childrens Health Insurance Program</u>
 Andrew Wilson, Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and Medical Assistance

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. 6411. Advancing Health Equity and Asthma Control
Shebra Hall, Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community
Health

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6425, Community Mental Health Block Grant and Position Request
Amy Herb and Michelle Singletary Twyman, Department of Health and Social
Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Community Mental Health

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

5. <u>6426, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services and Position Request</u>
Amy Herb and Michelle Singletary Twyman, Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Community Mental Health

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

6. 6406. Body Worn Camera Pilot Program

Kimberly Cooper and Dale Wyatt, Department of Correction, Administrative Services

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

7. 6430. Milford Neck Preserve - Delaware Wild Lands

Craig Rhoads and Marcia Fox, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

8. 6090 Amendment, Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant and Switch Fund

Darryl Scott and Angela Merritt, Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6054 Amendment The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)
- 2. 5553 Amendment Public Health Infrastructure and Workforce
- 3. 6282 Immunization and Vaccines for Children
- 4. 6355 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases
- 5. 6370 Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homeless
- 6. 6376 Bipartisan Safer Communities Act Center for Mental Health Block Grant
- 7. 6382 Integrated HIV/AIDS Prevention
- 8. 6383 Integrated HIV/AIDS Surveillance
- 9. 6387 Child Support Enforcement
- 10. 6388 Child Support Enforcement Incentive
- 11. 6403 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program IIJA
- 12. 6407 Hospital Preparedness Program
- 13. 6408 Senior Community Service Employment Program

- 14. 6415 State Maternal Health Innovation Program
- 15. 6417 Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Grant
- 16. 6453 Medicaid Administration Title XIX MAP25
- 17. 6457 Medicaid Services Title XIX MAP 25
- 18. 6458 Children's Health Insurance Program
- 19. 6399 Title IV-B, Subpart 1 Child Welfare Services
- 20. 6400 Title IV-B, Subpart 2 Promoting Safe and Stable Families
- 21. 6422 Title IV-E Foster Care
- 22. 6423 Title IV-E Adoption Assistance
- 23. 6307 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Supplemental IIJA
- 24. 6309 Drinking Water Base State Revolving Fund IIJA
- 25. 6310 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Emerging Contaminants -IIJA
- 26. 6313 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Line Replacement IIJA
- 27. 6401 Community Assistance Program
- 28. 6409 Water Pollution Control
- 29. 6410 Port Security
- 30. 2024-05-30-01 Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program
- 31. 6414 Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- 32. 6361 Specialty Crop Block Grant
- 33. 6389 National School Lunch Program
- 34. 6390 National School Breakfast Program
- 35. 6391 Child and Adult Care Food Program
- 36. 6392 Child and Adult Care Food Program Sponsor Admin
- 37. 6393 Child and Adult Care Food Program Cash-in-Lieu
- 38. 6394 Summer Food Service Program
- 39. 6395 Fresh Fruit and Vegetables
- 40. 6396 Equipment Assistance Grant
- 41. 6397 Summer Food Service Program State Administrative Funds
- 42. 6398 Child Nutrition State Administrative Expense

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve Continued Business Items 1-42. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

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Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting August 20, 2024 Revised Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6214

PROJECT TITLE: Support and Scale Up of HIV Prevention Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.977

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$1,000,000 for a one-year grant period of the Support and Scale Up of HIV Prevention Services grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant funding will be used to strengthen the service delivery mechanism currently in place through restructuring and strengthening partnerships, resources, and personnel. Placement of Disease Intervention Specialists within seven major State Service Centers, along with Mobile Units, and partnering them with the on-site care team. This care team will streamline the disease intervention process.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Maximize the number of HIV and STI tests performed;
- Educate care providers and clients of available treatment and prevention options; and
- Deliver an array of support services to the care team and clients to strengthen all aspects of the disease intervention and mitigation process.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6500

PROJECT TITLE: Expansion of Medicaid/CHIP SBS

CFDA NUMBER: 93.771

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and

Medical Assistance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and Medical Assistance has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Assistance (DMMA) for \$2,506,380 for a three-year period of the Expansion

of Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) School Based Services grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 2.00 NSF FTEs which are being requested with this grant request. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant will compliment current investments in children's health and expand coverage for Medicaid School-Based behavioral health services. Delaware's school-based Medicaid program covers screening services for all Medicaid eligible children through the Delaware Children Services Cost Recovery Project. This is a partnership between DMMA, the Department of Education (DOE) and Local Education Agencies (LEAs).

This year's objectives include the following:

- Expand services to include behavioral health and other services documented in treatment plans beyond Individualized Education Plans/Individual Family Service Plans and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) screening services;
- Develop and implement a new billing system that supports billing for Medicaid-covered School-Based Services;
- Engage with relevant stakeholders including LEAs, families, providers, and community members; and
- Conduct additional training for DMMA, DOE, and LEA staff to further support the program.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A request for 2.00 new NSF FTEs, Social Service Senior Administrator and Fiscal Advisor V, is included in this grant request. The Social Service Administrator will serve as the project lead responsible for setting overall project priorities and overseeing contractor and consultant work on grant activities. The Fiscal Advisor V will be responsible for all grant management activities and ensuring all reports are submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6411

PROJECT TITLE: Advancing Health Equity and Asthma Control

CFDA NUMBER: 93.070

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$499,600 for a one-year grant period of the Advancing Health Equity and Asthma Control grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant aims to address systems-level environmental and social drivers of disparities by leveraging and expanding strategic partnerships to implement Exhale strategies. The program goals are to reduce asthma related emergency department visits, hospitalizations, mortality and disparities; implementing exhale strategies for populations with high asthma prevalence; and improving organization infrastructure to advance health equity and sustainability.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promoting coordinated care for people with asthma;
- Facilitating home energy efficiency, including home weatherization assistance programs;
- Identifying indoor sources of asthma triggers;
- Facilitating smokefree policies and reducing tobacco smoking, as well as exposure to secondhand smoke;
- Expanding access to and delivery of asthma self-management education and delivery of home visits (as needed);
- Advancing health equity partnerships with community organizations, community health workers, and multi-sector agencies; and
- Enhancing asthma surveillance system to enable monitoring and use of data to guide strategic action.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6425

PROJECT TITLE: Community Mental Health Block Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.958

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Substance

Abuse and Mental Health, Community Mental Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Community Mental Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for \$2,119,808 for a two-year grant period for the Community Mental Health Block Grant, and this is the 34th year of the program. This project requires 1.30 NSF FTE, one which is included in the departments authorized budget complement and one request for a new NSF FTE which will be split 0.30 for this grant and 0.70 for the Substance Abuse and Treatment grant (SAI 6426). Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to support the development, implementation, and ongoing operation of mental health services for adults with serious mental illness and children with serious emotional disturbances.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Continue to improve care coordination throughout treatment and recovery to ensure seamless referrals and transitions;

- Increase the number of patient referrals made through the Delaware Treatment and Referral Network (DTRN);
- Increase the number of clients served by the Bridge Clinics;
- Increase data collection mechanisms through a revision of the Consumer Reporting Form;
- Expand system capacity and coordination to strengthen behavioral health response for adults and children experiencing mental health crisis to have someone to talk to, someone to respond, and somewhere to go;
- Improve in-state answer rate of mental health crisis calls; and
- Expand crisis receiving capacity for adults in all three counties.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This grant request reflects 0.30 new NSF FTE which will be responsible for providing policy and budgetary planning expertise to ensure compliance with the federal mandates under the block grant authority and ensure coordination of the state meeting the required Maintenance of Effort.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6426

PROJECT TITLE: Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.959

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Substance

Abuse and Mental Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for an additional \$7,528,736 for a two-year grant period for the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services grant (SABG), and this is the 34th year of the project. This grant requires 3.90 NSF FTEs of which 3.20 NSF FTE are included in the department's authorized budget complement and one request for a new NSF FTE which will be split 0.70 for this grant and 0.30 for the Community Mental Health Block Grant (SAI 6425). Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to provide funding for substance abuse prevention and treatment services. Funds are used to provide a continuum of services through a service provider network. SABG provides funding for people in need of substance abuse treatment services, and for prevention services for those at risk for substance abuse. Funding for youth prevention and treatment services are jointly managed with the Department of Services for Children, Youth and their Families' Division of Prevention and Behavioral Health Services.

- Increase the number of individuals trained on Naloxone administration and the number of Naloxone kit distributions;
- Increase the number of persons participating in substance use treatment;

- Increase the number of patient referrals made through the Delaware Treatment and Referral Network;
- Increase the number of clients served by the Bridge Clinics;
- Support and improve knowledge and screening of Tuberculosis among clients;
- Increase reported abstinence at discharge from substance abuse disorder treatment among justice-involved clients;
- Increase the number of pregnant or parenting women engaged in substance use treatment; and
- Decrease the percentage of 11th grade and 8th grade youth who report using at least one substance during the past year.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This grant request reflects 0.70 new NSF FTE which will be responsible for the coordination, development, and oversight of DSAMH's state plan working with internal agency staff, and inter-governmental partners to direct policies, practices, and implementation of substance abuse/mental health activities to meet the state's goals and objectives.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6406

PROJECT TITLE: Body Worn Camera Pilot Program

CFDA NUMBER: 16.753

APPLICANT: Department of Correction, Administrative Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Correction, Administrative Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Assistance for \$113,000 for a one-year grant period of the Body Worn Camera (BWC) program, and this is the first year of a pilot project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Body Worn Camera program will facilitate constructive feedback and coaching to staff, enabling them to improve their response and operational efficiency. The project aims to enhance community confidence in the Delaware Department of Correction by promoting transparency and accountability. The program also seeks to aid in the investigation of the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), Use of Force, and all investigative processes department-wide, leading to faster resolutions of citizen complaints, lawsuits, and internal grievances.

- Purchase 118 Axon Body 3 Cameras, 11 Eight-bay charging docks, and 154 mounts;
- Deploy Axon Body 3 Cameras to two level V facilities and one level IV facility;
- Perform monthly randomly selected recorded interaction reviews per assigned facility;

- Enhance the ability to assess potential training needs of both correctional officers and the incarcerated population; and
- Document footage as case evidence when body worn camera recordings are made during incidents requiring incident reports.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6430

PROJECT TITLE: Milford Neck Preserve – Delaware Wild Lands

CFDA NUMBER: 15.614

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, for \$1,000,000 for a three-year grant period for the Milford Neck Preserve – Delaware Wild Lands program, and this is the first year of the project. A required non-federal contribution of \$333,333 from the Delaware Wild Lands, Inc. brings the total project support to \$1,333,333. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of the proposed project is to protect and restore shoreline and tidal marsh habitats with the Delaware Wild Lands Milford Neck Preserve. Only state fish and wildlife agencies are eligible to apply for grant funding through this federal program. State agencies may apply in partnership with a conservation organization to accomplish grant objectives. Delaware Wild Lands partnered with DNREC to apply for these grant funds.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Acquire real property interest in 43.6 acres within the Milford Neck Preserve by June 30, 2026;
- Restore and manage ~520 feet of beach and dune habitat by February 28, 2027; and
- Develop a master restoration and management plan for the tidal marsh and surrounding uplands for the Milford Neck Preserve by February 28, 2027.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6090 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 17.225

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration and received \$9,000,000 for the Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant, and this is the 87th year of the program. This grant requires 122.51 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. This amendment does not change the award amount, rather reallocates within the existing cost categories to accommodate a request to

switch fund BP 10829 Fiscal Manager from 1.00 NSF to 1.00 ASF. There is no required state contribution. Audit fees and indirect costs were previously budgeted.

The Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant provides the resources for the Division of Unemployment Insurance to administer the unemployment insurance system. The program's primary activities are to provide unemployment benefits to Delaware workers who become unemployed through no fault of their own and to assess and collect unemployment taxes.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Ensure unemployment insurance benefits are paid to individuals in a timely manner as specified by federal performance criteria;
- Ensure new employer tax accounts are established as specified by federal performance criteria;
- Maintain four unemployment offices: two in New Castle County, one in Kent County and one in Sussex County;
- Continue outreach to encourage increased use of "TeleBenefits" and "WebBenefits," to file claims by telephone and internet customer service;
- Enhance program and customer service quality through enhanced automation initiatives and continued technical and customer-relations training for staff;
- Ensure that non-monetary determination timeliness and quality meet or exceed established federal performance criteria; and
- Encourage recipients of unemployment insurance benefits to select the "direct deposit" option for their weekly payments.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This amendment requests a switch fund for BP 10829 Fiscal Manager from 1.00 NSF to 1.00 ASF. The position is no longer associated with the grant and was reclassified to the Industrial Affairs division within the department and will be supported by ASF revenue. The position will ensure compliance and stability as a result of new legislation and will manage multiple budgets within the division.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6054 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: The Emergency Food Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.568

APPLICANT: Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food

Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for an additional \$145,000 bringing the total federal support to \$418,506 for The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) and this is the 42nd year of the project. An additional state

contribution of \$43,630 brings the total state contribution to \$190,742 brings the total overall project support to \$609,248. This project requires 1.40 NSF and 2.70 ASF FTEs, which were previously budgeted. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides partial funding for the cost of storage and distribution of USDA food to organizations that serve eligible needy people in Delaware. Commodities are direct shipped to the Federal Food Commodities Office and are distributed to the various eligible agencies by the state-operated distribution system. This year's objective is to distribute, in an equitable and timely manner, USDA foods offered for all eligible recipients.

2. SAI NUMBER: 5553 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Public Health Infrastructure and Workforce

CFDA NUMBER: 93.967

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health (DPH), Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for an additional \$4,743,846 for a five-year period of the Public Health Infrastructure and Workforce grant, and this is the first year of the program. This amendment brings the total project support to \$15,765,212. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 2.00 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement and were previously budgeted. Audit fees and indirect costs were previously budgeted.

This grant funding is focused on providing support for core infrastructure improvements within DPH to meet critical infrastructure needs by increasing public health crosscutting staff, implementing a robust informatic system, implementing long-term system and procedures to successfully accelerate future prevention preparedness, improve public health outcomes, and decrease future response time for public health emergencies. This includes hiring, retaining, supporting, and training the workforce to build public health capacity.

- Develop and disseminate processes to standardize development of culturally linguistically relevant materials for target audiences;
- Conduct policy reviews on all DPH policy memorandums;
- Increase collaboration and engagement with communities and populations to identify and understand key health needs, gaps, and opportunities and disseminate these findings;
- Develop and disseminate process maps related to recruitment, hiring, onboarding, and retention of staff within DPH; and
- Improve organizational systems and processes across funded programmatic areas.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6282

PROJECT TITLE: Immunization and Vaccines for Children

CFDA NUMBER: 93.268

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$2,778,928 for a one-year period of the Immunization and Vaccines for Children grant, and this is the 49th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 15.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The goal of the Delaware Immunization Program is to support efforts that prevent and control the transmission of vaccine-preventable diseases in all ages through high and sustained immunization coverage across the lifespan. This is achieved by applying strategies to close the gaps in immunization coverage by improving access and information thus assuring that all populations receive the necessary immunizations at key life stages.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase new providers enrolled in the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program by 5 percent;
- Increase first dose and series completion for the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) by 5 percent;
- Identify low coverage area of Influenza immunizations for Program Effectiveness project; and
- Conduct quality improvement program visits for 25 percent of VFC providers.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6355

PROJECT TITLE: Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious

Diseases

CFDA NUMBER: 93.323

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$15,314,450 for a one-year period of the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) for Infectious Diseases grant, and this is the 25th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 14.68 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this funding is to enhance the integration of epidemiology, laboratory and health information systems and strengthen the integration of ELC funded categorical programs such as influenza, arbovirus and foodborne diseases.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Prevent the spread of seasonal and novel influenza among the residents of Delaware:
- Improve investigation of foodborne, waterborne, and other disease outbreaks;
- Maintain initiatives to control antibiotic-resistant organisms;
- Improve testing, surveillance, response and reporting of vector-borne diseases, noninfluenza respiratory diseases, vaccine preventable diseases and respiratory diseases;
- Expand laboratory capabilities to detect, report and respond to fungal infections;
- Improve detection and control of rabies in Delaware;
- Enhance the disease surveillance system and laboratory information management system;
- Improve Delaware's readiness to respond to new surveillance and response needs, including new outbreak events; and
- Enhance workforce capacity to improve laboratory testing, surveillance, and response.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6370

PROJECT TITLE: Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homeless

CFDA NUMBER: 93.150

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse

and Mental Health, Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services for \$300,000 for a two-year grant period of the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homeless grant, and this is the 35th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$100,000 brings the total project support to \$400,000. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The grant provides funding to supportive service activities to persons diagnosed with a serious mental illness (including persons with a cooccurring substance use disorder) who are experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness.

This year's objectives include the following:

 Connect unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness with a serious mental illness with safe, available housing, income, health/behavioral healthcare, and other recovery support services; • Eliminate disparities in substance use and mental health services; and

• Identify people living in unsheltered locations and help to reduce associated risks.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6376

PROJECT TITLE: Bipartisan Safer Communities Act Center for Mental Health

Block Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.958

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Division of

Substance Abuse and Mental Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Community Mental Health (DSAMH) has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for \$165,859 for a two-year grant period for the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act Center for Mental Health Block Grant, and this is the third year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be used to expand access to mental health care and to develop a statewide mental health emergency plan. DSAMH will collaborate with the Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA), the Department of Services for Children, Youth, and their Families, Division of Prevention and Behavioral Health Services, and the Department of Education in the planning and implementation of substance abuse and mental health services to ensure that services are reflective of a seamless, single system of implementation.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop a statewide mental health emergency preparedness and response plan focused on behavioral health that includes collaboration between behavioral health, law enforcement, justice systems, local agencies, and public health to ensure that identified services are integrated and sustainable;
- Develop a team as a point of contact for guidance and direction related to any anticipated or unanticipated mental health crisis;
- Identify multidisciplinary mobile crisis team(s) that can be deployed rapidly, 24/7, throughout the state to address the mental health components during an emergency/crisis; and
- Develop and provide specific, evidence-based services for those affected by mental health emergency/crisis-related trauma, including mass shootings/school violence.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6382

PROJECT TITLE: Integrated HIV/AIDS Prevention

CFDA NUMBER: 93.940

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$987,935 for a one-year period of the Integrated HIV/AIDS Prevention grant, and this is the seventh year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 3.50 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides a comprehensive picture of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Delaware to support prevention and health service activities, with the goal of preventing new infections and achieving viral suppression among persons living with HIV.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Test at least 7,200 Delawareans for HIV as part of the Prevention program;
- Conduct 20 trainings to educate Delaware providers;
- At least 95% of clients newly diagnosed will be interviewed and linked to medical care within 30 days after diagnosis;
- Reduce the number of new HIV cases to 100 or less;
- Review and update jurisdictional cluster and outbreak detection and response plan;
- Produce an annual HIV Care Continuum Report to monitor and outline trends among HIV positive persons; and
- Continue efforts to locate and reconnect HIV+ clients not in care.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6383

PROJECT TITLE: Integrated HIV/AIDS Core Surveillance

CFDA NUMBER: 93.940

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$205,642 for a one-year period of the Integrated HIV/AIDS Core Surveillance grant, and this is the seventh year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 2.05 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides a comprehensive picture of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Delaware to support prevention and health service activities, with the goal of preventing new infections and achieving viral suppression among persons living with HIV.

- Test at least 7,200 Delawareans for HIV as part of the Prevention program;
- Conduct 20 trainings to educate Delaware providers;

- At least 95% of clients newly diagnosed will be interviewed and linked to medical care within 30 days after diagnosis;
- Reduce the number of new HIV cases to 100 or less;
- Review and update jurisdictional cluster and outbreak detection and response plan;
- Produce an annual HIV Care Continuum Report to monitor and outline trends among HIV positive persons; and
- Continue efforts to locate and reconnect HIV+ clients not in care.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6387

PROJECT TITLE: Child Support Enforcement

CFDA NUMBER: 93.563

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Child Support

Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Child Support Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$25,253,499 for a one-year period of the Child Support Enforcement grant, and this is the 51st year of the program. A required state contribution of \$12,034,767 brings the total project support to \$37,288,266. This project requires 123.42 NSF FTEs, 61.54 GF FTEs and 2.04 ASF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Division of Child Support Enforcement promotes family independence by reducing the dependency of single parent households through the collection of monetary child support payments and medical support from non-custodial parents. The division achieves this through the effective use of paternity establishment programs, aggressive case processing and enforcement techniques and efficient collection and prompt distribution of support payments.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continue to enhance the Voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity (VAP) program and outreach efforts with Delaware hospitals, birthing centers, and community interactions;
- Explore how to provide greater access and services to fathers through fatherhood initiatives and opportunities at both the state and federal levels; and
- Continue outreach and education regarding the services that the agency provides through social media, community events and partnering with other organizations.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6388

PROJECT TITLE: Child Support Enforcement Incentive

CFDA NUMBER: 93.563

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Child Support

Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Child Support Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$1,560,396 for a one-year period of the Child Support Enforcement Incentive grant and the 50th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 21.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Division of Child Support Enforcement promotes family independence by reducing the dependency of single parent households through the collection of monetary child support payments and medical support from non-custodial parents. The division achieves this through the effective use of paternity establishment programs, aggressive case processing and enforcement techniques, efficient collection, and prompt distribution of support payments.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continue to enhance the Voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity (VAP) program and outreach efforts with Delaware hospitals, birthing centers, and community interactions;
- Explore how to provide greater access and services to fathers through fatherhood initiatives and opportunities at both the state and federal levels; and
- Continue outreach and education regarding the services that the agency provides through social media, community events and partnering with other organizations.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6403

PROJECT TITLE: Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program – IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 93.568

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, State Service

Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$332,448 for a two-year grant period of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) IIJA grant, and this is the third year of the project. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act was signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act provides supplemental funding for the existing LIHEAP program to provide financial assistance to qualified low-income households to offset the high cost of home energy consumption. This structure requires states to distribute the highest benefits to households with the lowest income and highest energy burden, so that the poorest households will have a lower probability of falling into an energy crisis. Grant funds will be for any purpose normally authorized under the federal LIHEAP statute

(42 USC 8621 et seq.), including heating, cooling, crisis, weatherization assistance, case management for the reduction of home energy burden, and administrative costs.

Programs administered by LIHEAP in Delaware include the following:

- Fuel Assistance Program;
- Crisis Intervention Program;
- Summer Cooling Assistance Program;
- Weatherization Assistance Program; and
- Assurance 16 Activities

12. SAI NUMBER: 6407

PROJECT TITLE: Hospital Preparedness Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.889

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Immediate Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services for \$1,197,639 for a one-year grant period the Hospital Preparedness Program, and this is the 25th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$119,764 brings the total project support to \$1,317,403. This project requires 2.05 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The overall strategy of the Hospital Preparedness Program within the Emergency Medical Services and Preparedness Section (EMSPS) is to maintain and further develop the ability of the health care system to respond to emergencies through collaborative planning, exercises and preparedness activities.

- Engage stakeholders, business, community organizations, health care systems, state and local partners in healthcare system activities through an annual symposium, training, exercises and drills;
- Engage clinician participate in the monthly Delaware Healthcare Preparedness Coalition meetings;
- Continue to enhance healthcare preparedness through partner engagement, and building the healthcare preparedness coalition;
- Conduct a Medical Response and Surge Exercise (MRSE) to identify gaps in surge planning;
- Continue multi-year project on trauma, burn, and pediatric surge planning and capabilities through meetings and exercises; and
- Continue to enhance and formalize redundant communication systems and platforms.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6408

PROJECT TITLE: Senior Community Service Employment Program

CFDA NUMBER: 17.235

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration

/Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration for \$1,724,142 of the Senior Community Service Employment Program grant, and this is the 51st year of the project. A required state contribution of \$22,568 and a local match of \$149,373 brings the total project support to \$1,891,346. This project requires 0.75 NSF and 0.25 GF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides subsidized community service work experience, job skills training, job search assistance and supportive services for low-income Delawareans ages 55 and over. The program's goals are to support community service and economic self-sufficiency.

This year's objectives are to provide subsidized training using 175 authorized positions to attain a goal of 154 unduplicated Delawareans who are 55 and over, and within 125 percent of the poverty level.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6415

PROJECT TITLE: State Maternal Health Innovation Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.110

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$821,000 for a one-year grant period of the State Maternal Health Innovation Program grant. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This five-year cooperative agreement will support states in strengthening their capacity to address disparities in maternal health and improve maternal health outcomes, including the prevention and reduction of maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity.

- Improve access to care throughout preconception, prenatal, labor and delivery and postpartum periods;
- Enhance state maternal health surveillance and data capacity; and

• Promote and execute innovation in maternal health service delivery.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6417

PROJECT TITLE: Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.870

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$4,754,585 for a two-year grant period of the Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Grant, and this is the ninth year of the project. A required maintenance of effort of \$1,946,914 brings the total project support to \$6,701,499. This grant requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The funds will be used to build a continuum of home visitation programs that serve highrisk families within specified communities. Communities were identified through a needs assessment where health, mental health, poverty, unemployment, high school drop-out rates, child maltreatment, crime and domestic violence rates were assessed.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Sustain current level of home visits;
- Increase access to the early childhood continuum of services; ensure appropriate and timely referrals; reduce duplication across home visiting programs;
- Show improvement in mandated benchmark areas;
- Report continuous quality improvement methods monthly for 100 percent of MIECHV funded home visiting programs;
- Maintain a level of capacity for all Local Implementing Agencies of at least 85 percent; and
- Continue to explore alternate paths to fund home visiting services including Medicaid reimbursement.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6453

PROJECT TITLE: Medicaid Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 93.778

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and

Medical Assistance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and Medical Assistance has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for \$91,165,021 for a one-year grant period for the Medicaid Administration grant, and this is the 58th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$51,648,844 brings the total project support to \$142,813,865. This project requires 177.17 NSF and 145.99 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

Delaware's Medicaid program is a Federal-State partnership that will provide essential health benefits to over 260,000 Delawareans who meet financial and/or medical eligibility criteria. The Delaware Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DMMA) furnishes medical assistance to eligible low-income families and to eligible aged, blind, and/or disabled people whose income is insufficient to meet the cost of necessary medical services.

DMMA provides health care services to needy individuals who would not otherwise have access through the administration of a variety of programs dependent upon an individual's needs and eligibility for services. The Medicaid Administration grant provides DHSS the ability to oversee and operate the administrative functions of the program that provides services to eligible Delawareans.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve health outcomes by ensuring the highest quality medical services are provided to the vulnerable populations of Delaware;
- Effectively use the Federal funds available in the program;
- Maintain provider compliance with rules and regulations of the program through integrity, utilization and financial reviews;
- Assure appropriate utilization of program services by providers and recipients, as well as
 - safeguard against fraudulent activity; and
- Operate in a manner which assures the most cost-effective delivery of quality health care.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6457

PROJECT TITLE: Medicaid Services – Title XIX MAP 25

CFDA NUMBER: 93.778

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and

Medical Assistance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and Medical Assistance has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for \$2,597,890,000 for a one-year period of the Medicaid Services – Title XIX MAP 25 grant, and this is the 58th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$1,219,235 brings the total project support to \$3,817,125,000. There are no

positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Delaware's Medicaid program is a federal-state partnership to provide essential health benefits to Delawareans who meet financial and/or medical eligibility criteria. Most services are provided through contracted commercial Managed Care Organizations; some services are provided through a traditional fee-for-service delivery system.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve health outcomes by ensuring the highest quality medical services are provided to the vulnerable populations of Delaware in a cost-effective manner;
- Effectively use the Federal funds available in the program;
- Maintain provider compliance with rules and regulations of the program through integrity, utilization, and financial reviews;
- Assure appropriate utilization of program services by providers and recipients as well as safeguard against fraudulent activity; and
- Operate in a manner that assures the most cost-effective delivery of quality health care.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6458

PROJECT TITLE: Children's Health Insurance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.767

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and

Medical Assistance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Medicaid and Medical Assistance has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for \$33,154,466 for a one-year period of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) grant, and this is the 28th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$12,899,337 brings the total project support to \$46,053,803. This project requires 24.96 GF and 18.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Children's Health Insurance Program is a federal-state partnership that provides essential health benefits to more than 11,000 children up to age 19. These funds will be used to provide medically necessary services to low-income children that would not otherwise have access, such as, but not limited to check-ups, prescription drugs, eye exams and glasses, dental care, speech/hearing therapy, mental health counseling and treatment for drug and alcohol abuse.

- Continue to provide medical coverage for children of low-income families;
- Maximize federal financial participation in the program;

- Maintain provider compliance with rules and regulations of the program through integrity, utilization and financial reviews; and
- Assure appropriate utilization of program services by recipients as well as safeguard against fraudulent activity.

19. SAI NUMBER: 6399

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV-B, Subpart 1 - Child Welfare Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.645

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$854,370 for a two-year grant period of the Title IV-B, Subpart 1 Child Welfare Services grant, and this is the 44th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$284,790 brings the total project support to \$1,138,896. The project requires 3.00 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Title IV-B, Subpart 1 Child Welfare Services funds are used to support child welfare services in the following areas: child protection, childcare licensing, family support services, foster care services and prevention.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide in-home services to children and families at risk of abuse and neglect;
- Provide prevention services to families;
- Reduce the need for deeper child welfare, youth rehabilitative, or behavioral health services; and
- Reduce the likelihood of out of home placement, including foster care.

20. SAI NUMBER: 6400

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV-B, Subpart 2 - Promoting Safe and Stable Families

CFDA NUMBER: 93.556

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$967,805 for a two-year grant period of the Title IV-B, Subpart 2 - Promoting Safe and Stable Families grant, and this is the 30th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$666,223 brings the total project support to \$1,634,028. This grant requires 2.00 NSF FTEs and 6.00 GF FTEs, which are already

included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

These funds are used to support Delaware's efforts at improving family preservation, support and reunification and adoption promotion and support services.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continue to provide direct and supportive services;
- Extend Family Support and Family Presentation to involve residential and non-residential fathers; and
- Expand Fatherhood, Co-Parenting education and coalition building to increase awareness and build skills.

21. SAI NUMBER: 6422

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV-E Foster Care

CFDA NUMBER: 93.658

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Management Support Services, Office of the

Secretary

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families (DSCYF), Management Support Services, Office of the Secretary has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$10,016,532 for a one-year grant period of the Title IV-E Foster Care grant, and this is the 45th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$10,141,532 brings the total project support to \$20,158,064. There are no positions associated with this request. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides financial assistance to states for payments and expenses related to foster care maintenance, adoption assistance, training and administrative costs which includes funding for the For Our Children's Ultimate Success (FOCUS) case management system. Payment amounts received are a result of the number of eligible foster care clients within the State during each quarter.

22. SAI NUMBER: 6423

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV-E Adoption Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 93.659

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$5,020,060 for a one-year grant period of the

Title IV-E Adoption Assistance program, and this is the 45th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$5,020,060 brings the total project support to \$10,040,120. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Title IV-E Adoption Assistance program provides funds to states based on the number of eligible adoption clients each quarter. These funds assist with the costs of adopting a child as well as providing monthly subsidies to adoptive families to assist with the care of an eligible child. Funds are also used for the administrative costs of managing the program, training staff and adoptive parents, adoptive parent recruitment and other related expenses.

23. SAI NUMBER: 6307

PROJECT TITLE: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Supplemental - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.468

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$22,985,000 for a seven-year grant period of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Supplemental – IIJA grant, and this is the third year of this project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) signed by the President on November 15, 2021. A required state match of \$4,597,000 brings the total project support to \$27,582,000. This program requires 25.85 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

IIJA DWSRF supplemental funds will support the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund and the following programs: Delaware Rural Water Association, County Conservation Districts and Sustainability Assessments. These funds will go to support existing DWSRF efforts to provide low-interest loans to public water systems to finance drinking water infrastructure and to support eligible set-aside activities throughout the State, including environmental, financial, public health and conservation sections. 73 water systems have applied for drinking water infrastructure funds and some of these projects will be funded through this grant.

This year's objectives include:

- Close at least five loans with public water systems to improve their drinking water infrastructure, which will decrease public health risks for those Delawareans; and
- Provide loan forgiveness in part or whole to maintain compliance with EPA subsidy requirements for disadvantaged communities and otherwise. Actual loan forgiveness will be based on financial reviews and program recommendations.

24. SAI NUMBER: 6309

PROJECT TITLE: Drinking Water Base State Revolving Fund - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.468

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Water for \$4,661,000 for a seven-year grant period of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, and this is the 27th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$932,200 brings the total project support to \$5,593,200. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides low-interest loans to public water systems to finance drinking water infrastructure and to support eligible set-aside activities throughout the State. Activities may occur in various state and local agencies, including the Delaware Rural Water Association, the Department of Health and Social Services and Delaware Technical Community College and other public health sections.

This year's objectives include:

- Close two loans with two public water systems that will decrease drinking water public health risks for Delawareans; and
- Forgive loans, in part or whole, to maintain compliance with EPA subsidy requirements for disadvantaged communities and otherwise. Actual loan forgiveness will be based on financial reviews and program recommendations.

25. SAI NUMBER: 6310

PROJECT TITLE: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Emerging

Contaminants -IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.468

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental

Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Water for \$7,690,000 for a seven-year grant period of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) – Emerging Contaminants IIJA grant, and this is the third year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) signed by the President on November 15, 2021. This program requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees will be paid through SAI 6307, and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This funding will support the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) and the following programs: Delaware Rural Water Association, County Conservation Districts,

and Sustainability Assessments. These funds will support existing DWSRF efforts to provide low-interest loans to public water systems to finance drinking water infrastructure and to support eligible set-aside activities throughout the State, including environmental, financial, public health and conservation sections.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Close at least three loans related to mitigating emerging contaminants; and
- Provide a percentage of loan forgiveness in part or whole to maintain compliance with EPA subsidy requirements for disadvantaged communities and otherwise. Actual loan forgiveness will be based on financial reviews and program recommendations.

26. SAI NUMBER: 6313

PROJECT TITLE: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Line

Replacement - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 66.468

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of the Secretary, Environmental Finance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Water for \$30,845,000 for a seven-year grant period of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Line Replacement IIJA grant, and this is the third year of this project. There is no state match requirement. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) signed by the President on November 15, 2021. This program requires 2.25 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees will be paid through SAI 6307, and indirect costs have been budgeted.

IIJA Lead Service Line Replacement funds support the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) and lead service line replacement projects and associated activities directly connected to the identification, planning, design, and replacement of lead service lines. Any project funded under this appropriation involving the replacement of a lead service line must replace the entire lead service line, not just a portion, unless a portion has already been replaced or is concurrently being replaced with another funding source. To address household affordability concerns and to minimize adverse public health effects, states are encouraged to fund the private portion of service line replacements at no additional cost to the homeowner.

- Close at least two loans related to lead service line projects; and
- Provide loan forgiveness in part or whole to maintain compliance with EPA subsidy requirements for disadvantaged communities and otherwise. Actual loan forgiveness will be based on financial reviews and program recommendations.

27. SAI NUMBER: 6401

PROJECT TITLE: Community Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 97.023

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Watershed Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$130,401 for the Community Assistance Program, and this is the 4th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$32,502 brings the total program support to \$162,903. This grant requires 0.80 NSF and 0.20 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Community Assistance Program provides funds for education and analysis of flood hazard areas throughout Delaware. The program educates local permitting officials, engineers, surveyors, insurance agents, contractors, and the general public in determining flood hazards and flood damage reduction principles. Additionally, as a requirement for enrollment in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) program staff conduct inspections of flood-prone areas in participating communities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Assist in the determination of flood hazards to minimize flood risk to existing or new development and to implement flood mitigation measures;
- Ensure that development in flood-prone areas is designed and constructed to minimize, flood risk and to comply with NFIP requirements by conducting Community Assistance Visits and Community Assistance Contact calls;
- Further efforts to address how Delaware State agencies manage state projects on state owned lands in the SFHA and are assured to be NFIP compliant and addressing FEMA identified gaps in their recent State Assessment;
- Educate participating communities regarding NFIP requirements and flood mitigation techniques; and
- Educate stakeholders (insurance agents, surveyors, real estate agents, communities, and public) on the requirements of the NFIP, how to comply, and where to get the data they need. Several workshops will be held, and outreach conducted.

28. SAI NUMBER: 6409

PROJECT TITLE: Water Pollution Control

CFDA NUMBER: 66.419

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Division of Watershed

Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Division of Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for \$4,805,754 for a three-year grant period of the Water Pollution Control program, and this is the 43rd year of the project. A required state contribution of \$774,690 brings the total project support to \$5,580,444. This program requires 7.30 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds to assist in establishing and maintaining adequate measures for prevention and control of surface and ground water pollution from both point and nonpoint sources. Program activities support Delaware's need for clean and safe water for drinking, recreation and propagation of healthy aquatic life.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Establish, analyze, revise, and report on impaired waters and water quality standards as needed based on surface water sampling and collaboration with partners;
- Conduct an ongoing assessment of surface water quality to determine existing conditions and to estimate trends; and
- Support the Groundwater Protection Program in protecting public health by way of protecting drinking water supplies through characterization of groundwater resources for protection and management, groundwater resource studies, and data standardization, management, maintenance, and collection.

29. SAI NUMBER: 6410

PROJECT TITLE: Port Security CFDA NUMBER: 97.056

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$306,651 for a three-year grant period for the Port Security Grant program, and this is the seventh year of the project. A required state contribution of \$8,392 brings the total project support to \$315,043. This program requires 0.97 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Port Security Program provides funds to port authorities, facility operators, and state, local and territorial agencies required to provide security services to implement Area Maritime Security Plans and facility security plans. DNREC Natural Resource Police (NRP) under the Division of Fish and Wildlife will use these funds to purchase two 300HP outboard motors and rigging for the program's 29-ft fast response vessel.

This year's objectives include:

- Purchase two (2) 800 MHz radios to be installed on two patrol vessels;
- Purchase 14 cradle point subscriptions to cover all NRP vessels;
- Provide Tactical Operators Course (TOC) for NRP officers and maritime partners;
- Provide Tactical Operators Course Refresher (TOCR) for NRP officers and maritime partners; and
- Provide Boat Operation Search and Rescue (BOSAR) course for NRP officers and maritime Partners.

30. SAI NUMBER: 2024-05-30-01

PROJECT TITLE: Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program

CFDA NUMBER: Not Applicable

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) has applied to the Public Service Enterprise Group (PSEG) for \$1,453,351 for the 43rd year of the Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 10.70 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget. Audit fees are budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The REP program supports the testing, updating and implementation of Delaware's REP plan. 20 Del. C. § 3108 authorizes DEMA to develop and maintain a REP plan, in accordance with regulations and guidelines issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Through state and local partners, these funds are used to develop appropriate measures on behalf of Delaware residents, if radiological emergencies occur at any of the three nuclear reactors across the Delaware River in New Jersey.

Currently there are approximately 65,855 Delaware citizens who live within the 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone, not including the Delaware citizens who work within the zone. PSEG is required by law to provide Delaware with funding to train and plan emergency response measures in the event of an incident at one of the plants. DEMA coordinates efforts to ensure adequate response efforts to recover from incidents at power plants.

- Continue outreach efforts for residents in the Emergency Planning Zone to include education on readiness, sheltering and evacuation plans;
- Improve/upgrade REP monitoring equipment;
- Implement distribution of new potassium iodide tablets; and
- Support preparedness through training and exercises.

31. SAI NUMBER: 6414

PROJECT TITLE: Vocational Rehabilitation Services

CFDA NUMBER: 84.126

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Vocational

Rehabilitation Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation. Vocational Rehabilitation Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$12,076,795 for a two-year grant period of the Vocational Rehabilitation Services grant, and this is the 88th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$3,315,477 brings the total project support to \$15,392,272. This program requires 71.50 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Vocational Rehabilitation Services grant enables the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to provide services to transitioning youth and adults with disabilities to prepare for, enter and retain employment. In FY 2025, the Division will provide services to approximately 4,500 individuals and assist about 800 individuals with obtaining employment and maintaining employment for a minimum of 90 days. Provided services include vocational counseling and guidance, psychological or medical services to reduce barriers to employment, training, assistive technology, and job development and placement.

32. SAI NUMBER: 6361

PROJECT TITLE: Specialty Crop Block Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 10.170

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Administration

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Administration has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Agricultural Marketing Service for \$330,787 for a three-year grant period of the Specialty Crop Block Grant, and this is the 14th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides funding to promote agriculture products through competitive grants which are available to individual producers, producer groups, organizations, associations, as well as state and local organizations that meet USDA priorities. The goal of the program is to enhance the competitiveness of Delaware's specialty crops (i.e., fruits and vegetations, tree nuts, dried fruits and horticulture, and nursery crops including floriculture). This year's objective is to implement grant projects that increase the competitiveness of Delaware grown specialty crops following priorities as specified by the USDA.

33. SAI NUMBER: 6389

PROJECT TITLE: National School Lunch Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.555

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$45,549,731 for a one-year grant period of the School Lunch Program, and this is the 59th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$487,127 brings the total project support to \$46,036,858. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides funds for reimbursement for lunches for eligible children who attend participating public and nonprofit private schools, of high school grades or under, including residential childcare institutions for lunches that meet the nutritional requirements prescribed by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. Ongoing goals of this program include ensuring school nutrition program integrity, increasing participation in the program and continuing outreach initiatives. Reimbursement rates are established by the USDA and are tiered based on financial qualifications of the families. The current participation is 239 public schools, 2 non-public schools and 10 residential child care institutions.

34. SAI NUMBER: 6390

PROJECT TITLE: National School Breakfast Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.553

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$18,099,317 for a one-year grant period of the School Breakfast Program, and this is the 59th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this program. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides funds for partial reimbursement for breakfasts for eligible children who attend participating public and nonprofit private schools, of high school grades or under, including residential childcare institutions providing breakfasts that meet the nutritional requirements prescribed by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. All schools that participate must agree to serve free and reduced-price meals to eligible children and operate a nonprofit breakfast program that is available to all children. Ongoing goals of the program are to ensure school nutrition program integrity, to increase participation in the program, and to continue outreach initiatives.

35. SAI NUMBER: 6391

PROJECT TITLE: Child and Adult Care Food Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.558

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for \$19,751,620 for the Child and Adult Care Food Program for a one-year period, and this is the 59th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 2.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides partial reimbursement funding for breakfasts and lunches for eligible children and certain adults who attend participating non-school entities such as childcare centers, adult day care centers, family day care centers, at-risk after school programs and homeless shelters meeting USDA nutritional requirements. The measurable outcomes of this program include the following: processing payments to all sponsors that submit reimbursement claims within the federal regulated timeline; conducting a minimum of 45 administrative reviews; and enhancing sponsor training via online courses and virtual meetings.

36. SAI NUMBER: 6392

PROJECT TITLE: Child and Adult Care Food Program Sponsor Admin

CFDA NUMBER: 10.558

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service for \$574,269 for a two-year grant period of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Sponsor Admin grant, and this is the 59th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this program. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides administrative reimbursement funding for providers that will operate as sponsoring organizations in the CACFP. Sponsoring organizations include public or nonprofit organizations that are entirely responsible for the administration of the food programs in one or more day care homes. The goals of this program include ensuring USDA nutrition program integrity in these settings, increasing participation in the program and continuing outreach initiatives.

37. SAI NUMBER: 6393

PROJECT TITLE: Child and Adult Care Food Program Cash-in-Lieu

CFDA NUMBER: 10.558

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for \$1,146,834 for a one-year grant period of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Cash in Lieu grant, and this is the 59th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

CACFP provides partial reimbursement funding for breakfasts and lunches for eligible children and certain adults who attend participating non-school entities such as childcare centers, adult day care centers, family day care centers, at-risk after school programs and homeless shelters meeting USDA nutritional requirements. The CACFP – Cash in Lieu offers sponsors the option to receive food commodities or cash reimbursement in lieu of the food commodity. All of Delaware's CACFP sponsors currently elect to receive cash in lieu of commodities.

38. SAI NUMBER: 6394

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Food Service Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.559

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for \$1,308,108 for a one-year grant period of Summer Food Service Program, and this is the 59th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.55 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds for disbursement to eligible service institutions which provide free meals to children in areas where at least 50 percent of the children meet the income eligibility criteria for free and reduced-price meals. Meals may be served to children 18 and younger and individuals over 18 who participate in state-approved school programs for persons with disabilities. The program operates during the months of September through May.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Monitoring, and providing technical assistance to Summer Food Program sponsors and sites;
- Marketing and advertising the Summer Food Program to increase participation; and
- Processing payment to all sponsors that submit reimbursement claims for meals served in accordance with Federal regulations.

39. SAI NUMBER: 6395

PROJECT TITLE: Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

CFDA NUMBER: 10.582

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$2,900,547 for a one-year grant period of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, and this is the 19th year of the program. These is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of this program is to introduce fresh produce to school children as a healthy alternative in their daily diets, outside of the lunch or breakfast food service periods. Funds are used to reimburse low-income public schools and nonprofit private elementary schools for the purchase of the produce. Fresh fruit and vegetables at participating schools must be free to all enrolled children.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Educating elementary schools about the program to increase participation;
- Selecting participants via application into the program; and Providing a per-student allocation of \$50 to \$75 from the total enrollment of all selected schools.

40. SAI NUMBER: 6396

PROJECT TITLE: Equipment Assistance Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 10.579

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department Education, Student Support is applying to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$32,291 for a two-year grant period of the Equipment Assistance Grant, and this is the 11th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides funds to school districts that participate in the National School Lunch Program through a competitive grant program administered by the Department of Education. The grant supports the purchase of kitchen equipment needed to administer the program and to serve healthy food selections such as fruits and vegetables during school meals.

41. SAI NUMBER: 6397

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Food Service Program State Administrative Funds

CFDA NUMBER: 10.560

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for \$79,500 for a one-year grant period of Summer Food Service Program – State Administrative Funds, and this is the 58th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.15 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds to eligible service institutions which provide free meals to children in areas where at least 50 percent of the children meet the income eligibility criteria for free and reduced-price meals. Meals may be served to children 18 and younger and individuals over 18 who participate in state-approved school programs for persons with disabilities. The program operates during the months of March through September.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Monitoring, reviewing, and providing technical assistance to Summer Food Program sponsors and sites; and
- Marketing and advertising the Summer Food Service Program to increase participation.

42. SAI NUMBER: 6398

PROJECT TITLE: Child Nutrition State Administrative Expense

CFDA NUMBER: 10.560

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education (DOE) has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$1,245,259 for a two-year grand period of the Child Nutrition State Administrative Expense program, and this is the 59th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$347,114 brings the total program support to \$1,592,373. This program requires 3.95 NSF and 2.50 GF FTEs, which are included in the Department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds for administrative expenses associated with supervising and giving technical assistance to local schools, school districts and institutions in their conduct of child nutrition programs. DOE will use these funds for unit training, program monitoring enhancement and software maintenance of the current system.

This year's measurable objectives include:

- Conducting unit training sessions in all three counties;
- Conducting 23 School Food Authority administrative reviews and 23 procurement reviews; and
- Conducting 45 Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) sponsor administrative reviews.

Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee September 27, 2024

The September 24, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for July projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:02 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative, via Zoom
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative, via Zoom
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Courtney Stewart, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

1. 6431, Residential Energy Auditor Training Program

Heather Hubbard and Ed Synoski, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. 6454, Public Humanities Projects

Nicole Worthley, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. 6471, State Opioid Response Grant Continuation and 1.00 NSF Position Request Brent Waninger, Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Community Mental Health

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6467 Presidential Security Assistance Grant FEMA
- 2. <u>6419 Medicare Improvements for Patients & Providers State Health Insurance Assistance Program</u>
- 3. 6420 Medicare Improvements for Patients & Providers Act Area on Aging
- 6421 Medicare Improvements for Patients & Providers Act Aging and Disability Resource Center
- 5. 6402 Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant
- 6. <u>6404 Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children -</u> Administration
- 7. 6405 Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children Food
- 8. 6416 Maternal and Child Health Services
- 9. 6434 Title VII Elder Abuse Prevention
- 10. 6435 Nutrition Services Incentive Plan
- 11. 6436 Title VII Ombudsman
- 12. 6437 Title III C-2 Home Delivered Meals
- 13. 6438 Title III D Prevention and Health Promotion
- 14. 6444 Title III E National Family Caregivers Support
- 15. 6465 Title III C-1 Congregate Meals
- 16. 6470 Rural Communities Opioid Response Program
- 17. 6472 First Responders Comp Addiction & Recovery Act
- 18. 6473 Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs
- 19. <u>6474 Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments</u>
- 6477 Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children -Breastfeeding
- 21. 6547 Modernizing Environmental Public Health Tracking
- 22. 6550 Sudden Death in the Young Registry
- 23. 6439 Bat Research, Monitoring and Conservation
- 24. 6440 Cooperating Technical Partnership
- 25. 6441 Phragmites Control on Private/Public Lands
- 26. 6450 National Dam Safety Program
- 27. <u>6466 Wildlife Investigations- Wild Turkey</u>
- 28. 6469 Wildlife Investigations- Surveys
- 29. 6475 Non-tidal Boating and Fishing Access
- 30. 6479 Avian Conservation Projects
- 31. <u>6481 Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds</u>
- 32. 6451 Port Security Grant Program
- 6455 National Instant Criminal Background Check System Act Record Improvement Program
- 34. <u>6456 National Criminal History Improvement Program</u>
- 35. 6460 Emergency Management Performance Grant
- 36. 6468 Section 402 Planning and Administration
- 37. 6478 Non-Profit Security Grant Program

- 38. 6482 Section 405(b) Occupant Protection Incentive Grant
- 39. 6486 Section 405(c) Traffic Safety Information System Improvements
- 40. 6487 Section 405(h) Protecting Roadside Deaths Incentive Grant IIJA
- 41. 6488 Section 405(d) Impaired Driving Countermeasures
- 42. 6490 Section 405(g) Non-Motorized Incentive Grant
- 43. 6492 Section 405(f) Motorcyclist Safety Grant
- 44. 6493 Section 405(e) Distracted Driving IIJA
- 45. 6432 Labor Market Information
- 46. 6442 Workforce Information Grant
- 47. 6443 Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant
- 48. 6452 Supported Employment Services
- 49. 6459 Disability Determination Service-SSA
- 50. 6485 Occupational Health & Safety Statistics
- 51, 6491 Occupational Health & Safety Consultation
- 52. 6480 now 6560 Cooperative Meat Inspection
- 53. 6445 Air Guard Operations and Maintenance Agreement
- 54. 6446 Army National Guard Environmental Resource Management Agreement
- 55. 6447 Air National Guard Security Guard Agreement
- 56. 6448 Army National Guard Operations and Maintenance Agreement
- 6308 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Restated from June 25, 2024, Agenda
- 6311 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Restated from June 25, 2024, Agenda
- 59. <u>6302 Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment Restated from June 25, 2024, Agenda</u>
- 60. 6283 State Assessment and Related Activities Restated from June 25, 2024, Agenda
- 61. <u>6344 Delaware Coastal Management Program Implementation Restated from July 23, 2024, Agenda</u>
- 62. 6352 Recreational Boating Safety Grant Restated from July 23, 2024, Agenda
- 63. 6516 Developmental Disabilities Council

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve Continued Business Items 1-63. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting September 24, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6431

PROJECT TITLE: Residential Energy Auditor Training Program

CFDA NUMBER: 81.041

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and

Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy for \$2,000,000 for a three-year grant period for the Residential Energy Auditor Training Program, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Delaware Residential Energy Auditor Training project aims to train a minimum of 100 energy auditors in clean energy residential building inspection and place at least 40 trainees into high-quality Delaware energy auditor jobs, utilizing a comprehensive training program that includes field training, mentorships, hybrid learning, and wraparound services to address the state's growing demand for residential energy audits and to support Delaware's sustainability and energy efficiency goals.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Partner with 10 employers and 5 community organizations;
- Engage with over 2,000 potential trainees;
- Train a minimum of 100 residential energy auditors; and
- Place 40 trainees into high-quality energy auditor jobs in the state.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6454

PROJECT TITLE: Public Humanities Projects

CFDA NUMBER: 45.164

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation has applied to the National Endowment for the

Humanities for \$77,127 for a one-year grant period for the Public Humanities Projects grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grants funds will be used to further efforts to create programming and interpretation related to the common person during the revolution while also telling a diverse story of our founding and past. Previous efforts have shown increased and diverse visitors' attendance at the John Bell House and the First State Heritage Park for both the public and K-12 school groups. Funds will be used to purchase tools, materials and supplies needed to present and expand living history trades of the 18th century such as cooking, laundry, fiber arts and gardening, and provide costuming for year-round staff and youth volunteers (First State Club).

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase historical authenticity and creating the only living history experience in Kent County, Delaware;
- Increase visitation leading up to and after the 2026 celebrations of the Semi quincentennial; and
- Increase general awareness of the Park and lead to more regional recognition by similar sites for increased collaboration and cross scholarship.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6471

PROJECT TITLE: State Opioid Response Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.788

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse

and Mental Health Administration

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Service, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for \$38,795,579 for a one-year grant period of the State Opioid Response (SOR) grant, and this is the seventh year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 9.00 NSF FTEs, 8.00 of which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. 1.00 NSF FTE, Executive Assistant, is requested with this grant submission. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The State Opioid Response Grant funding will support treatment and care improvements statewide with a focus on the criminal justice population, transition-age youth, pregnant women and families, and populations with a disparate burden of substance use disorder (SUD) and occurring mental illness. The overall client reach is estimated to be 9,000 unduplicated clients each year.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase the availability of evidence-based treatment and recovery services, with a focus on low barrier medications;
- Effectively collaborate with other systems and entities (e.g., schools, law enforcement, hospitals) to facilitate prevention, harm reduction practices, and seamless pathways into treatment and recovery services;
- Provide training and technical assistance to existing and new providers and entities;
 and
- Enhance programming and services to address consumer and family social determinants of health.

PERSONNEL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This proposal requests 1.00 NSF FTE, Executive Assistant, which will be limited-term for the duration of the grant or reassigned to another eligible federal grant if/when grant funding ends. The position will provide additional coordination and cost savings as it will replace reliance on contracted services that have performed the work. This position will provide administrative management and maintenance of critical tasks for SOR funded projects, and ensure information regarding policy, personnel, project implementation, public/constituent concerns, and recommended actions are provided in support of the grant.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6467

PROJECT TITLE: Presidential Security Assistance Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 97.134

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for \$2,241,103 for a one-year grant period of the Presidential Security Assistance Grant and this is the third year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs are not applicable.

Funding will be used to reimburse overtime expenses that were incurred from October 1, 2022, to September 1, 2023, by seven Delaware law enforcement agencies tasked with providing personnel and logistical support to ensure the safety and security of the President and First Lady when they were in Delaware. Under the direction of the Secret Service, the Delaware State Police, New Castle County Police, Newport Police, Milton Police, Rehoboth Beach Police, the Delaware River and Bay Authority, and the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) provided security for the President and First Lady. Presidential security activities included providing motorcade escorts, residential, perimeter and movement protection. Grant funds will be allocated as subawards to reimburse these seven Delaware law enforcement agencies for eligible operational overtime costs incurred.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide residential, perimeter protection at the President's Rehoboth Beach and Greenville residences;
- Provide motorcade and route security; and

• Provide venue and surrounding area security.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6419

PROJECT TITLE: Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - State

Health Insurance Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.071

APPLICANT: Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of

Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$36,120 for a one-year period of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - State Health Insurance Assistance Program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.40 NSF FTE and 0.30 ASF FTE, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides funds for the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) within the Insurance Commissioner's office. SHIP provides education and outreach to beneficiaries likely to be eligible for, but not currently receiving, federal and state benefits raging from income supplements, energy assistance and health care assistance. Services will be provided through one-on-one counseling sessions, outreach, and education at various public forums statewide.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Target individuals likely to be eligible for the Low-Income Subsidy program, Medicare Savings Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Part D) and in assisting beneficiaries in applying for benefits; and
- Conduct targeted community outreach to beneficiaries in public forums to increase understanding of Medicare program benefits and raise awareness of preventative benefits.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6420

PROJECT TITLE: Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - Area

on Aging

CFDA NUMBER: 93.071

APPLICANT: Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of

Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$40,060 for a one-year period of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - Area on Aging. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.10 NSF which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides funds for the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) within the Insurance Commissioner's office. SHIP provides education and outreach to beneficiaries likely to be eligible for, but not currently receiving, federal and state benefits raging from income supplements, energy assistance and health care assistance. Services will be provided through one-on-one counseling sessions, outreach, and education at various public forums statewide.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Target individuals likely to be eligible for the Low-Income Subsidy program, Medicare Savings Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Part D) and in assisting beneficiaries in applying for benefits; and
- Conduct targeted community outreach to beneficiaries in public forums to increase understanding of Medicare program benefits and raise awareness of preventative benefits.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6421

PROJECT TITLE: Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - Area

on Aging

CFDA NUMBER: 93.071

APPLICANT: Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of

Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$36,299 for a one-year period of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - Area on Aging. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.10 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides funds for the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) within the Insurance Commissioner's office. SHIP provides education and outreach to beneficiaries likely to be eligible for, but not currently receiving, federal and state benefits raging from income supplements, energy assistance and health care assistance. Services will be provided through one-on-one counseling sessions, outreach, and education at various public forums statewide.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Target individuals likely to be eligible for the Low-Income Subsidy program, Medicare Savings Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Part D) and in assisting beneficiaries in applying for benefits; and
- Conduct targeted community outreach to beneficiaries in public forums to increase understanding of Medicare program benefits and raise awareness of preventative benefits.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6402

PROJECT TITLE: Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.991

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$329,926 for a one-year grant period of the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant, and the 39th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The goal of the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant is to support community-based health promotion and chronic disease prevention efforts. This grant will fund programs addressing national Healthy People objectives and state-level recommendations of the Governor's Transition Team Report, the State Health Improvement Plan and the division's strategic plan.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Enhance programming in community-based organizations that implement interventions, to address overweight and obesity;
- Engage in performance management, quality improvement, workforce development, strategic planning, and accreditation activities;
- Implement social marketing campaign to increase the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of around engaging in healthy lifestyles;
- Provide technical assistance and professional development to teachers and early childcare providers; and
- Increase training and professional development provided to volunteers, allowing timely responses to all sexual assault crisis victims.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6404

PROJECT TITLE: Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants

and Children – Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 10.557

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$6,717,747 for a one-year grant period for the Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Administration grant, and this is the 51st year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 51.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The WIC program provides services for pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to the age of five. The purpose of the WIC program is to promote and facilitate the adoption of healthy lifestyles and good nutrition by a vulnerable population. WIC provides nutritious foods, nutrition and health education, and breastfeeding support throughout the State.

This year's objectives include the following:

- WIC will increase participation by a diverse population of WIC mothers in the virtual breastfeeding class by offering the class in Spanish and Haitian Creole languages;
- Increase the variety of breastfeeding classes offered virtually; and
- Increase the duration of mothers who breastfeed by providing an electric breast pump to those mothers returning to work.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6405

PROJECT TITLE: Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants

and Children - Food

CFDA NUMBER: 10.557

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$10,096,398 for a one-year grant period for the Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Food grant, and this is the 51st year of the project. A discretionary contribution of \$5,728,824 brings the total project support to \$15,825,222. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The WIC program provides services for pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to the age of five. The purpose of the WIC program is to promote and facilitate the adoption of healthy lifestyles and good nutrition by a vulnerable

population. WIC provides nutritious foods, nutrition and health education, and breastfeeding support throughout the State.

This year's objectives include the following:

- WIC will increase participation by a diverse population of WIC mothers in the virtual breastfeeding class by offering the class in Spanish and Haitian Creole languages;
- Increase the variety of breastfeeding classes offered virtually; and
- Increase the duration of mothers who breastfeed by providing an electric breast pump to those mothers returning to work.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6416

PROJECT TITLE: Maternal and Child Health Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.994

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration for \$2,126,787 for a one-year grant period of the Maternal and Child Health Services grant, and this is the 45th year of the project. A state maintenance of effort agreement of \$12,910,591 brings the total project support to \$15,037,378. This program requires 13.85 NSF, 38.00 GF and 5.60 ASF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The funding supports a variety of programs, activities, and services to promote and improve the health of all infants, children and women of reproductive age, including a special focus on children with special needs. Work will focus on eight national health priority areas:

- Increase the percentage of women who receive an annual well-woman visit;
- Improve the rates of breastfeeding;
- Increase the percentage of children who receive age-appropriate developmental screening;
- Improve the rates of children who had a preventive dental visit;
- Increase the percentage of adolescents who are physically active;
- Improve the rate of adolescents with a preventive medical visit;
- Increase the percent of children and youth with special health care needs who are adequately insured; and
- Strengthen Title V staff's capacity for data-driven and evidence-based decision making and program development.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6434

PROJECT TITLE: Title VII Elder Abuse Prevention

CFDA NUMBER: 93.041

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$23,626 for a two-year grant period for the Title VII Elder Abuse Prevention grant, and this is the 35th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Plan on Aging enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. This grant will partially fund prevention and awareness activities of the Adult Protective Services unit.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act Programs.
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities and their caregivers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act core programs;
- Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and
- Support the expansion of home and community- based services which enable consumers to direct their own care.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6435

PROJECT TITLE: Nutrition Services Incentive Plan

CFDA NUMBER: 93.053

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for

Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$291,898 for a two-year grant period for the Nutrition Services Incentive Plan, and this is the 44th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant is part of the State Plan on Aging, which enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. The Nutrition Services Incentive Program provides funds and commodity foods to supplement the Title III, Part C-2 Nutrition program.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act programs;
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities, and their caregivers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act core programs;
- Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and
- Support the expansion of home and community-based services which enable consumers to direct their own care.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6436

PROJECT TITLE: Title VII Ombudsman Activity

CFDA NUMBER: 93.042

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$108,331 for a two-year period of the Title VII Ombudsman Activity grant, and this is the 36th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Plan on Aging enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the federal Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. This grant will partially fund activities for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act Programs;
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities and their caregivers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act core programs;
- Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and
- Support the expansion of home and community-based services which enable consumers to direct their own care.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6437

PROJECT TITLE: Title III, Part C-2 – Home Delivered Meals

CFDA NUMBER: 93.045

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$1,862,594 for a two-year grant period of the Title III, Part C-2 - Home Delivered Meals grant, and this is the 57th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$465,649 brings the total project support to \$2,328,243. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Plan on Aging enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the federal Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. This grant provides nutrition services under Title III, Part C-2 of the Older Americans Act, which provides funding for home-delivered meals.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act Programs;
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities and their care givers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act core programs;
- Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and
- Support the expansion of home and community-based services which enable consumers to direct their own care.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6438

PROJECT TITLE: Title III Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.043

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$130,378 for a two-year grant period of the Title III Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Services grant, and this is the 58th year of the program. There is no required

state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Plan on Aging enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the federal Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. Title III, Part D of the Older Americans Act provides funding for disease prevention and health promotion activities through evidence-based programs.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act Programs;
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities and their caregivers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act Core Programs;
- Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and
- Support the expansion of home and community-based services who enable consumers to direct their own care.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6444

PROJECT TITLE: Title III, Part E – National Family Caregivers Support

CFDA NUMBER: 93.052

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$960,345 for a two-year grant period for the Title III, Part E - National Family Caregivers Support grant, and this is the 25th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$240,086 brings the total project support to \$1,200,431. This project requires 3.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The State Plan on Aging enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. Title III, Part E of the Older Americans Act provides funds for services to support caregivers.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act Programs;
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities and their caregivers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act core programs;

• Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and

• Support the expansion of home and community-based services which enable consumers to direct their own care.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6465

PROJECT TITLE: Title III, Part C-1 Congregate Meals

CFDA NUMBER: 93.045

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$2,764,180 for a two-year grant period for the Title III, Part C-1 Congregate Meals grant, and this is the 58th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$1,289,170 brings the total project support to \$4,053,350. This project requires 3.75 NSF and 5.25 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The State Plan on Aging enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. This grant provides nutrition services under Title III, Part C of the Older Americans Act, which provides funding for congregate meals.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act Programs;
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities and their caregivers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act core programs;
- Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and
- Support the expansion of home and community-based services which enable consumers to direct their own care.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6470

PROJECT TITLE: Rural Communities Opioid Response Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.912

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse

and Mental Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and

Services Administration for \$500,000 for a one-year period of the Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) grant, and this is the third year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The RCORP Behavioral Health Care Support project works to reduce morbidity and mortality from substance use disorder (SUD), including opioid use disorder in high-risk rural communities to establish and expand new and existing infrastructure supports to increase access to mental health and behavioral health. The oversight committee for this grant is the Rural Subcommittee of the Overdose System of Care which includes members from multiple state agencies, communities and provider partners to ensure coordination of activities and avoid duplication of efforts.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Strengthen care coordination and linkages to services, including mental health and related services for people engaged in behavioral health care;
- Facilitate access to services for underserved populations who are more likely to suffer from poor health outcomes, health disparities and other inequities;
- Strengthen the capacity and quality of existing and emerging workforce of providers to care for patients utilizing evidence-based mental health and substance use treatment approaches; and
- Increase support for people facing addiction and co-occurring mental health conditions by increasing community empathy, decreasing stigma, and increasing family and caregiver skills to provide support.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6472

PROJECT TITLE: First Responders - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery

Act

CFDA NUMBER: 93.243

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for \$800,000 for a four-year period of the First Responders - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act grant, and this is the sixth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.80 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

Funding will be used to allow first responders and members of other key community sectors to administer a drug or device approved or cleared under the FDA for emergency treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose. This project will also establish

processes, protocols and mechanisms for referral to appropriate treatment and recovery communities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Enhance acute response to opioid overdoses by improving statewide planning and preparedness efforts within the healthcare community;
- Provide ongoing training and technical assistance support to the first responder community and perform an initial assessment of the training needs of first responders and other key community sectors;
- Increase the availability of naloxone to the first responder community and other key community sectors identified as high risk for overdose-related EMS responses;
- Review best practices and lessons to implement overdose prevention strategies through first responder communities; and
- Reduce barriers for post overdose patients to have equitable access to substance use disorder treatment.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6473

PROJECT TITLE: Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs

CFDA NUMBER: 93.243

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health services Administration for \$384,000 for a one-year period of the Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs grant, and this is the fourth year of the program. This project requires 0.10 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to raise awareness about the Prescription Drug Monitoring (PMP) Program and the dangers of sharing medications and to work with pharmaceutical and medical communities on the risks of overprescribing to young adults.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Work with pharmaceutical and medical communities to raise awareness of the risks of overprescribing to young adults to change prescribing practices;
- Raise community awareness on the dangers of sharing medication and bring prescription drug abuse prevention activities and education to schools; and
- Implement PMP data, morbidity and mortality data and other surveillance data into community needs assessment and revise state strategic plans to track program success.

19. SAI NUMBER: 6474

PROJECT TITLE: Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments

CFDA NUMBER: 93.777

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Healthy, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for \$66,262 for a one-year period of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments grant, and this is the 31st year of the project. A discretionary state contribution of \$48,566 brings the total project support to \$114,828. This project requires 0.48 NSF and 0.52 GF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this funding is to assure the quality of clinical laboratory services in the State of Delaware. Funds provide for a Laboratory Certification and Compliance Specialist to inspect laboratories to determine if they are in compliance with federal laboratory regulations.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct at least 18 recertification surveys, two initial surveys, one accredited survey, and any additional program surveys that may be implemented or restarted due to the Public Health Emergency; and
- Maintain required databases, write reports for each survey, conduct follow-up investigations and provide consultation.

20. SAI NUMBER: 6477

PROJECT TITLE: Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants

and Children – Breastfeeding

CFDA NUMBER: 10.557

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$300,954 for a three-year grant period of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) – Breastfeeding grant, and this is the 51st year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The WIC program provides services for pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to the age of five. The purpose of the WIC program is to promote and facilitate the adoption of healthy lifestyles and good nutrition by a vulnerable population. WIC provides nutritious foods, nutrition and health education, and breastfeeding support throughout the State.

This year's objectives include the following:

- WIC will increase participation by a diverse population of WIC mothers in the virtual breastfeeding class by offering the class in Spanish and Haitian Creole languages;
- Increase the variety of breastfeeding classes offered virtually; and Increase the duration of mothers who breastfeed by providing an electric breast pump to those mothers returning to work.

21. SAI NUMBER: 6547

PROJECT TITLE: Modernizing Environmental Public Health Tracking

CFDA NUMBER: 93.070

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health (DPH), Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for \$570,000 for a one-year period of the Modernizing Environmental Public Health Tracking grant, and this is the second year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 2.75 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant is intended to strengthen and modernize environmental health data and surveillance and support state environmental public health tracking networks. Funds will be used to build public health capacity and expertise in environmental health surveillance and to modernize data systems to empower public health practitioners, healthcare providers, community members, policy members, and others to make information-driven decisions that affect their health.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Build surveillance, information technology, and informatics infrastructure for Delaware's Environmental Public Health Tracking Network (DEPHTN), My Health Community (MHC);
- Strengthen partnerships between DPH, DNREC, and the CDC to ensure continued collaborations and open information for Delaware's EPHTN to contribute to the National EPHTN; and
- Provide additional data and analytics on MHC specific to health and exposure to environmental hazards.

22. SAI NUMBER: 6550

PROJECT TITLE: Sudden Death in the Young Registry

CFDA NUMBER: 93.946

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$107,335 for a one-year grant period of the Sudden Death in the Young Registry grant, and the eleventh year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will improve the availability of statewide surveillance data to increase the understanding of the causes and risk factors for sudden death in the young (SDY). Funding will provide training for child death scene investigation, DNA sampling by the Medical Examiner's Office, medical record abstraction and support for child death panel reviews. Funding will also support program planning and evaluation and improved health outcomes in the maternal and child population at the state level.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Identify SDY cases within 24-hours and collaborate with the Child Death Review Commission (CDRC);
- Improve the collection of all bio specimens from identified Sudden Death in the Young registry cases;
- Analyze SDY data to identify interventions and increase utilization of surveillance data; and
- Work to prevent SDY by improving policies and practices of death investigations.

23. SAI NUMBER: 6439

PROJECT TITLE: Bat Research, Monitoring and Conservation

CFDA NUMBER: 15.634

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$436,202 for a five-year grant period of the Bat Research, Monitoring and Conservation project, and this is the 10th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$234,878 brings the total project support to \$671,080. This project requires 0.25 ASF FTE and 0.06 GF FTEs, which are already included in the department. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Bat Research, Monitoring and Conservation project provides funding for surveys, management and conservation planning for bat species in Delaware. This project proposes continuing surveys to determine the species and distribution of bats in Delaware, monitoring for the impacts of White-nose syndrome (WNS), minimizing the possibility that WNS will be spread from Delaware sites to other locations bats may use, interfacing

with the public to conserve bats and developing ways to protect and conserve Delaware's bat populations.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Coordinate volunteers to conduct emergence counts at 20-40 maternity colonies yearly;
- Conduct live capture of 150-500 bats at two-four benchmark maternity sites per year;
- Collect data from 175-500 bats from non-catch sources;
- Conduct winter surveys at two to four locations annually;
- Conduct two-twenty forest catches per year;
- Conduct radio telemetry with up to ten bats per year;
- Conduct acoustic surveys;
- Create one new Access database and maintain five existing databases in Excel, Access and GIS;
- Distribute 5-30 bat boxes and pup catchers per year;
- Directly manage the effects of WNS at one site each year;
- Participate in regional/national bat meetings, conference calls and technical committees each year; and
- Provide technical assistance to 150-200 individuals per year.

24. SAI NUMBER: 6440

PROJECT TITLE: Cooperating Technical Partnership

CFDA NUMBER: 97.045

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for \$90,000 for a two-year grant period of the Cooperating Technical Partnership, and this is the 21st year of the project. There is no state match requirement. This grant requires 0.70 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides funds to support the partnership between DNREC and FEMA, which is necessary for floodplain mapping. The goal of this program is to improve floodplain mapping in Delaware by performing flood studies in areas where existing flood hazards are poorly mapped and at-risk development is likely to occur.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide training to state and local officials on floodplain mapping and management;
- Provide outreach to residents and professionals on floodplain mapping and flood risk;

- Support mitigation planning through development of a guidance document on building to minimize flood insurance rates and flood risk;
- Support Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) sponsored national training and other technical training for the Floodplain Engineer; and
- Support public and local communities with floodplain relating questions and concerns.

25. SAI NUMBER: 6441

PROJECT TITLE: Phragmites Control on Private/Public Lands

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$525,000 for a five-year grant period of the Phragmites Control on Private/Public Lands program, and this is the sixth year of the project. A required state match of \$175,000 brings the total project support to \$700,000. This grant requires 0.01 GF FTE, 0.15 ASF FTE and 0.10 NSF FTE which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to provide the Division of Fish and wildlife with herbicide and contract helicopter spray-time to continue and initiate Phragmites control efforts on both private and public property statewide. Control efforts will be continued on public properties that have a history of keeping the invasive plant at a manageable level. A total of approximately 2,000 acres annually will be treated with the additional funds.

This year's objectives are to annually treat 2,000 acres of Phragmites statewide to enhance freshwater tidal marshes, tidal high marsh, tidal low marsh and impoundments for breeding, wintering and migratory waterfowl.

26. SAI NUMBER: 6450

PROJECT TITLE: FY25 National Dam Safety Program

CFDA NUMBER: 97.041

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed

Stewardship

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Watershed Stewardship has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for \$53,436 for a one-year grant period of the National Dam Safety Program, and this is the 21st year of the project.

There is no state match requirement. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The National Dam Safety Program provides funding to assist the Dam Safety Program in Delaware. This includes the operation and maintenance of water level monitoring stations at state-owned dams, providing equipment and supplies such as vehicle rentals and mobile phones, and for travel expenses for dam safety training courses, seminars, and national and regional dam safety conferences.

27. SAI NUMBER: 6466

PROJECT TITLE: Wildlife Investigations – Wild Turkey

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$614,139 for a five-year grant period of the Wildlife Investigations – Wild Turkey grant, and this is the 22nd year of the project. A required state match of \$204,713 brings the total project support to \$818,852. This grant requires 0.11 GF FTEs and 0.03 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides hunter, harvest and productivity information to assist in evaluating wild turkey populations. This project will also develop a baseline population index of Northern bobwhite quail to aid in habitat conservation and population restoration efforts.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Monitor the annual wild turkey harvest through collection of biological data on harvested birds;
- Develop and monitor an annual index of wild turkey productivity;
- Investigate mortality events as they occur in Delaware during the grant period;
- Develop a baseline population index of Northern bobwhite in selected quail focus areas using whistling male call counts and fall covey call counts;
- Provide technical assistance by representing Delaware at two to five technical meetings and workshops; and
- Provide technical assistance to 100 landowners and five organizations.

28. SAI NUMBER: 6469

PROJECT TITLE: Wildlife Investigations Surveys

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$184,020 for a five-year grant period of the Wildlife Investigations Surveys program, and this is the 22nd year of the project. A required state match of \$61,340 brings the total project support to \$245,360. This grant requires 0.09 GF FTE and 0.06 NSF FTE, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. In addition, one casual/seasonal position is supported by this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The grant funds hunter surveys to provide data for use in evaluating hunting and trapping regulations and game management programs on public and private lands. Information is used to maximize recreational opportunities and support other efforts to increase hunter recruitment and retention.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Determine harvest rates of game species and hunting and trapping efforts in Delaware via mail surveys;
- Provide a system for hunters to register so that they can participate in the Snow Goose Conservation Order;
- Identify all hunters and trappers that are exempt from purchasing a license via a Delaware hunting license agent and web-based registration system;
- Register all migratory gamebird hunters in Delaware in support of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program; and
- Develop a management plan for identifying and responding to diseases that could affect game species in Delaware and respond to reports of sick or dead game species.

29. SAI NUMBER: 6475

PROJECT TITLE: Non-Tidal Boating and Fishing Access

CFDA NUMBER: 15.605

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$991,443 for a five-year grant period of the Non-Tidal Boating and Fishing Access Program, and this is the 17th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$330,481 brings the total project support to \$1,321,924. This project requires 0.06 GF, 0.31 ASF and 0.58 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds to operate 32 Delaware State non-tidal fishing and boating access sites to provide public access to boaters and anglers statewide. This year's objective includes performing routine maintenance of these areas not only to protect the investment in the infrastructure but also to ensure the facilities are safe and aesthetically pleasing to public users.

30. SAI NUMBER: 6479

PROJECT TITLE: Avian Conservation Projects

CFDA NUMBER: 15.634

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$1,783,758 for the fifth year of the Coastal Avian Conservation Project. A required state contribution of \$594,586 brings the total project support to \$2,378,344. The project requires 0.17 GF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant seeks to monitor Delaware's bird species with a particular focus on coastal obligate birds. There are many challenges to maintain ecosystem function and diversity, including climate change and sea-level rising. Information on population health and trends, critical habitat resources, and vital statistics for rare and threatened bird populations are needed to support responsible decision-making and resource management of Delaware's upland and wetland resources.

31. SAI NUMBER: 6481

PROJECT TITLE: Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife, has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$1,273,395 for a five-year grant period of the Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds grant, and this is the 22nd year of the program. A required state contribution of \$426,465 brings total project support to \$1,705,860. This grant requires 0.85 NSF FTE, and 0.16 GF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds grant provides funding for research and management of waterfowl and other migratory game birds including population inventories

in Delaware. This research will be used to develop and evaluate management strategies and harvest regulations. This research is also used to assist with prioritizing land protection activities and to help inform habitat management on state wildlife areas.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct 5 investigation of migrating and wintering waterfowl using monthly aerial surveys from October to January;
- Conduct 5 investigations of resident Canada Geese in Delaware using aerial surveys;
- Conduct 15 investigations of Woodcock in Delaware as part of the Federal Singing Ground Survey Program;
- Conduct 5 investigations of waterfowl banding with a goal of various waterfowl species;
- Maintain approx. 200 wood duck nest boxes and conduct nest monitoring;
- Provide technical assistance and participate in meetings with the public, landowners and organizations; and
- Investigate mortality events for migratory birds.

32. SAI NUMBER: 6451

PROJECT TITLE: Port Security Grant Program

CFDA NUMBER: 97.056

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police,

Criminal Investigation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, Criminal Investigation has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$236,603 for a three-year grant period, of the Port Security Grant Program, and this is the twelfth year of the project. A required state contribution of \$78,867 brings the total project support to \$315,470. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Funding received from this grant will provide ongoing equipment enhancements and continued training to reduce response times, increase effectiveness, and to ensure units maintain the capability to continue the mission of protecting people and facilities from maritime threats.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide Armed Ship Boarding training for 37 members and Advanced Hull Search training for 17 members;
- Equip the Maritime unit with a multibeam towable sonar device; and
- Fund vessel maintenance to ensure all DSP vessels remain operational.

33. SAI NUMBER: 6455

PROJECT TITLE: National Instant Criminal Background Check System Act

Record Improvement Program

CFDA NUMBER: 16.813

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police,

State Bureau of Identification

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, State Bureau of Identification has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for \$75,937 for a one-year grant period for the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Act Record Improvement Program, and this is the eleventh year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

These funds will be used to focus on ensuring that mental health records that reside in the State of Delaware NICS database are complete, accurate and compliant.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Determine the source of the G4 record, research the number committed and link them to a police incident number and date.
- Reduce the amount of time in the future a record challenge takes and eliminate the need to record G4 records that had prior validation performed.
- Correct disposition records missed by DOJ that indicate a record is pending.

34. SAI NUMBER: 6456

PROJECT TITLE: National Criminal History Improvement Plan

CFDA NUMBER: 16.554

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police,

State Bureau of Identification

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, State Bureau of Identification has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for \$91,000 for a one-year grant period for the National Criminal History Improvement Program, and this is the 31st year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The National Criminal History Improvement Program funds will be sub-granted to the Delaware Criminal Justice Information System (DELJIS). The main objective will focus on ensuring that criminal records that reside in the Criminal Justice Information System database are accurate and compliant and maintaining the statewide application known as the Law Enforcement Investigation Support System (LEISS). LEISS was developed and implemented by DELJIS as one of the nation's only completely centralized and integrated Criminal Justice Information Systems tracking cases from their first call to the police

through the adjudication of the case in courts and possibly incarceration, integrating with countless Federal, State and Local government bodies and non-government partners.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide Court clerks an inventory of cases with missing final dispositions to determine if a final case/charge disposition exists;
- Update dispositions as determined in the case research phase and send to partners such as the Courts case management system and Federal information systems as necessary; and
- Determine if additional cases, charges, and individuals become eligible for automated expungement process and report the data of these findings.

35. SAI NUMBER: 6460

PROJECT TITLE: Emergency Management Performance Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 97.042

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$2,980,703 for a three-year grant period for the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), and this is the 38th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$1,410,410 and local contributions of \$1,570,293 bring the total project support to \$5,961,406. This grant requires 18.60 NSF, 10.40 GF FTEs, and 10.45 Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) NSF FTEs that are funded through the non-federal REP grant. All FTEs are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Sustain statewide emergency management operational readiness and ability to conduct emergency operations to prepare, protect, respond, recover, and mitigate statewide emergencies to support local and regional operations while enhancing focus on equity;
- Sustain and improve recovery operations both short and long term to strengthen the state's ability to maintain a high level of expertise to manage federal and local disasters through implementation of the National Disaster Recovery Framework;
- Increase coordination with essential lifeline partners to ensure coordination before, during, and after disaster, and to minimize where applicable, the impact of disaster on lifeline functions to ensure continuity of service delivery;
- Educate partners to ensure timely and accurate communication with partners and the public; and
- Review plans and planning processes to assess mass care and equity inclusion and gaps. Incorporate standards and evaluate through education and exercises.

36. SAI NUMBER: 6468

PROJECT TITLE: Section 402 Planning and Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 20.600

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety (OHS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$2,810,775 for a one-year grant period of the Section 402 Planning and Administration grant, and this is the 58th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$261,831 brings the total project support to \$3,072,206. This grant requires 5.00 NSF and 2.00 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 402 Planning and Administration grant provides funding for planning and administering the Highway Safety Plan to support initiatives to reduce the incidence of motor vehicle crashes, fatalities and injuries on state roadways. Delaware will utilize grant funds to support staff members, operational expenses, overtime enforcement, training/education and outreach. OHS partners for grant initiatives may include the Delaware State Police, Delaware Justice Information System, Department of Education and the Department of Transportation.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide Motorcycle safety and training programs;
- Prevent roadside deaths;
- Improve State traffic safety information systems; and
- Participate in the Click it or Ticket national occupant protection campaign.

37. SAI NUMBER: 6478

PROJECT TITLE: Non-Profit Security Grant Program

CFDA NUMBER: 97.008

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$1,800,000 for a three-year grant period of the Non-Profit Security Grant Program, and this is the seventh year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Non-Profit Security Grant Program provides funding to support security enhancements and activities to non-profit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack. This grant focuses on five core capability mission areas that include prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery. The program seeks to integrate nonprofit preparedness activities with broader State and local preparedness efforts. In assessing the national risk profile for this program, one area attracts the most concern: enhancing the protection of soft targets and crowded places.

38. SAI NUMBER: 6482

PROJECT TITLE: Section 405(b) Occupant Protection Incentive Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 20.616

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$377,435 for a four-year grant period for the Section 405(b) Occupant Protection Incentive Grant, and this is the 26th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 1.00 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 405(b) Occupant Protection Incentive Grant was established under the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century and was continued in the current Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation. This grant provides incentive funding to states for adopting and implementing effective programs aimed at reducing highway deaths and/or injuries, resulting from unrestrained individuals or improperly restrained individuals in motor vehicles.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Increase seatbelt use rate through high profile paid media, seat belt surveys and enforcement efforts:

• Demonstrate and train for the correct and consistent use of child restraint seats; and

• Provide supplies for child passenger safety fitting stations.

39. SAI NUMBER: 6486

PROJECT TITLE: Section 405(c) Traffic Safety Information System

Improvements

CFDA NUMBER: 20.616

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety (OHS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$427,361 for a four-year grant period for the Section 405(c) Traffic Safety Information System Improvements Grant, and this is the 17th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.00 NSF FTE which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 405(c) Traffic Safety Information System Information Grant was established under the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century and was continued under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation. This grant provides incentive funding to states to support initiatives aimed at improving accuracy, completeness, timeliness and accessibility of state traffic records. In the state of Delaware, these funds will be used to enhance current traffic record systems in concert with the Traffic Records Coordinating Committee's (TRCC) Strategic Plan.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Subgrant the funds to support traffic record improvement projects in DELJIS and to implement the TRCC Strategic Plan through Whitman, Requardt and Associates;
- Continue to utilize the OHS data analyst to provide crash data analysis for problem identification purposes;
- Require performance measures and performance targets that demonstrate quantitative improvements; and
- Ensure Traffic Records Assessments are completed within five years of this application, including the recommendations and how each was addressed.

40. SAI NUMBER: 6487

PROJECT TITLE: Section 405(h) Preventing Roadside Deaths Safety Incentive

Grant - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 20.616

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety (OHS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$65,695 for a four-year grant period for the Section 405(h) Preventing Roadside Deaths Safety Incentive - IIJA grant, and this is the second year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 405(h) Preventing Roadside Deaths Safety Incentive grant was established under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (aka IIJA). These grant funds provide incentive

funding to states to support behavioral safety initiatives to protect citizens such as police, EMS, DelDOT workers, etc. while on the side of the road. These grant funds will be utilized to provide support to create awareness campaigns for preventing roadside death as well as education and enforcement efforts in hopes of decreasing the number of roadside deaths on Delaware roadways each year.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Creative materials for the awareness campaigns will be developed by Aloysius, Butler and Clark and Deardorff Associates via state contract;
- Overtime education and enforcement funds will be provided to law enforcement across the state in jurisdictions where crashes are a concern, to include local, state and county police jurisdictions; and
- Meet or exceed roadside fatality's goal of 1.8 in FY 2025.

41. SAI NUMBER: 6488

PROJECT TITLE: Section 405(d) Impaired Driving Countermeasures

CFDA NUMBER: 20.616

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety (OHS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$1,507,453 for a four-year grant period for the Section 405(d) Impaired Driving Countermeasures Grant, and this is the 23rd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. The project requires 1.00 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 405(d) Impaired Driving Countermeasures Grant was established under the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century and was continued under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. This program provides incentive funding to states to support initiatives aimed at reducing incidences involving impaired driving. The program will be utilized to fund efforts to encourage motorists not to drive impaired, including paid media and educational outreach. Also, to fund DUI and Drug Recognition Expert training and equipment for law enforcement, and programmatic needs for the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor program.

42. SAI NUMBER: 6490

PROJECT TITLE: Section 405(g) Non-Motorized Incentive Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 20.616

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$252,202.00 for a four-year grant period of the Section 405(g) Non-Motorized Safety Grant, and this is the ninth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 405(g) Non-Motorized Safety Grant was established under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act and was continued in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation. This grant will be utilized to provide support to create awareness campaigns for non-motorists as well as education and enforcement efforts in hopes of decreasing the number of pedestrians killed on Delaware roadways each year. These grant funds provide funding to states if the percentage of the state's non-motorized fatalities exceeds 15% of the total fatalities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Provide funding to support behavioral safety initiatives to protect non-motorized road users that include pedestrians and bicyclists;
- Distribute overtime funds to law enforcement agencies in state jurisdictions where pedestrian crashes are a concern; and
- Meet or exceed reducing pedestrian fatality's goal of 27.6 in FY 2025, the five-year average (2017- 2021) was 28.

43. SAI NUMBER: 6492

PROJECT TITLE: Section 405(f) Motorcycle Safety Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 20.616

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$46,434 for a one-year grant period of the Section 405(f) Motorcycle Safety Grant, and this is the 19th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides funding to states to support initiatives aimed at improving motorcycle safety. Funds will be used to provide motorcycle awareness campaigns to reduce motorcycle crashes and fatalities. The overall goal of the program is to reduce motorcycle fatalities in FY 2025 to 18.7.

44. SAI NUMBER: 6493

PROJECT TITLE: Section 405(e) Distracted Driving - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 20.616

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Highway Safety

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Highway Safety (OHS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for \$247,978 for a four-year grant period for the Section 405(e) Distracted Driving Incentive – IIJA grant, and this is the second year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Section 405(e) Distracted Driving program was established under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act and was continued under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation (aka IIJA). These grant funds provide incentive funding to states if they adopt and implement effective programs to reduce highway deaths and injuries resulting from individuals driving distracted in vehicles. The State of Delaware will utilize these grant funds for high visibility paid media and enforcement efforts aimed at decreasing the use of cell phones. Grant funds may be subawarded to the Delaware State Police for conducting Distracted Driving enforcement.

The performance target for Distracted Driving, as stated in the Office of Highway Safety's Highway Safety Plan, is to reduce the five-year (2020-2024) average Distracted Driving related serious injury/fatality incidents from 39 to 35.5.

45. SAI NUMBER: 6432

PROJECT TITLE: Labor Market Information

CFDA NUMBER: 17.002

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Administration, Office of Occupational

and Labor Market Information

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Administration, Office of Occupational and Labor Market Information applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics for \$580,135 for a one-year grant period of the Labor Market Information grant, and this is the 30th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 6.50 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant will allow continuation of the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program, Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program, Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) program and the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program. This year's objective is 100 percent compliance in the collection, analysis, and publication of CES, LAUS, QCEW and OES program data in compliance with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' guidelines and reporting requirements, while meeting or exceeding all quality measures.

46. SAI NUMBER: 6442

PROJECT TITLE: Workforce Information Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 17.207

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Office of Occupational and Labor

Market Information

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of the Labor, Office of Occupational and Labor Market Information applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training and Administration for \$301,620 for a two-year grant period of the Workforce Information Grant, and this is the 30th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Workforce Information Grant provides for the development, management, and delivery of state labor market information. This information contains short and long-term career/employment projections and wage estimates for approximately 100 industries and over 500 occupations. Students and other interested individuals use this information to make decisions on what career to pursue.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Deliver updated Career Compass publications to all participating schools at the start of the school year;
- Distribute Monthly Labor Review each month;
- Maintain and update the Workforce Information Database;
- Produce and distribute occupational and industry short and long-term projections;
- Produce the Delaware Wages occupational employment and wages publication and make available to the public by June;
- Publish the Delaware Annual Economic Report in September;
- Ensure Delaware Licensing information is populated in WID database and updates are submitted to the ARC each year;
- Ensure that requests for data and analysis from the Governor, state agencies, Delaware colleges and universities, public schools, businesses, and the public are fulfilled promptly; and
- Ensure all deliverables required by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration are met on time and to their satisfaction.

47. SAI NUMBER: 6443

PROJECT TITLE: Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 17.225

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$10,5000,000 of the Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant, and this is the 88th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 131.00 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Unemployment Insurance Administration Grant provides the resources for the Division of Unemployment Insurance to administer the unemployment insurance system. The program's primary activities are to provide unemployment benefits to Delaware workers who become unemployed through no fault of their own and to assess and collect unemployment taxes.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Ensure unemployment insurance benefits are paid to individuals in a timely manner as specified by federal performance criteria;
- Ensure new employer tax accounts are established as specified by federal performance criteria;
- Maintain four unemployment offices: two in New Castle County, one in Kent County and one in Sussex County;
- Continue outreach to encourage increased use of "TeleBenefits" and "WebBenefits," to file claims by telephone and internet customer service;
- Enhance program and customer service quality through enhanced automation initiatives and continued technical and customer-relations training for staff;
- Ensure that non-monetary determination timeliness and quality meet or exceed established federal performance criteria; and
- Encourage recipients of unemployment insurance benefits to select the "direct deposit" option for their weekly payments.

48. SAI NUMBER: 6452

PROJECT TITLE: Supported Employment Services

CFDA NUMBER: 84.187

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Vocational

Rehabilitation Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$258,000 for a two-year grant period of the Supported Employment Services grant, and this is the 39th year of the program. A required state match of \$38,100 brings the total project support to \$296,100. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Supported Employment Services grant enables the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) to provide counseling, job training and job placement services to

Delaware residents with significant disabilities who are seeking employment. Services funded through the grant include in depth assessments for supported employment, specialized placement, job coaching until individuals are stabilized on the job and post-stabilization support for a minimum of 90 days. This year's objective is to provide assessment services to 150 people, and provide post-stabilization follow-along for a minimum of days.

49. SAI NUMBER: 6459

PROJECT TITLE: Disability Determination Service - SSA

CFDA NUMBER: 96.001

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Disability

Determination Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Disability Determination Services applied to the U.S. Social Security Administration (SSA) for \$7,969,162 for a one-year grant period of the Disability Determination Service - SSA grant, and this is the 69th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 53.00 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Disability Determination Service program evaluates and adjudicates claims of disability in the State on behalf of SSA and in accordance with all rules, regulations, and guidelines.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Adjudicate Social Security Disability applications with Electronic Claims Analysis Tool;
- Perform Continuous Disability Reviews of existing disability recipients in a new electronic format;
- Provide due process reviews for claimants who file an appeal; and
- Expedite the decision-making process of terminally/chronically ill claimants through the Quick Disability Determination process.

50. SAI NUMBER: 6485

PROJECT TITLE: Occupational Safety and Health Statistics

CFDA NUMBER: 17.005

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Industrial Affairs, Occupational Safety

and Health Administration/Bureau of Labor Statistics

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Industrial Affairs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration/Bureau of Labor Statistics is applying to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics for \$85,000 for a one-year grant period of the Occupational

Safety and Health Statistics grant and the 51st year of the program. A required state contribution of \$85,000 brings the total program support to \$170,000. This program requires 1.00 ASF FTE and 1.00 NSF FTE, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of the Occupational Safety and Health Statistics program is to collect data on work-related injuries and fatalities to promote injury protection in the workplace. The work-related injury information is collected in the form of a random survey to Delaware businesses. This year's objective is to compile two reports, Survey of Occupational Injuries, and Illnesses in Delaware (SOII) and Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI). An 85% response and survey rate must be achieved for the SOII. Once data is released by BLS, reports are published on Department of Labor's website.

51. SAI NUMBER: 6491

PROJECT TITLE: Occupational Safety and Health Consultation

CFDA NUMBER: 17.504

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Industrial Affairs, Occupational Safety

and Health Administration/Bureau of Labor Statistics

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Industrial Affairs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration/Bureau of Labor Statistics has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration for \$575,099 for a one-year grant period of the Occupational Safety and Health Consultation grant, and this is the 52nd year of the program. A required state contribution of \$63,901 brings the total project support to \$639,000. This grant requires 5.50 NSF and 0.50 ASF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program allows Industrial Affairs to provide comprehensive safety and health consultation services with an emphasis on high-hazard private industries. This year's objective is to conduct 150 onsite consultations with emphasis on the following areas:

- Identifying any safety and health hazards in their workplaces;
- Controlling or eliminating these hazards successfully;
- Establishing or improving a workplace safety and health program; and
- Understanding all requirements of applicable federal or state laws and implementing these regulations.

52. SAI NUMBER: 6480

PROJECT TITLE: Cooperative Meat Inspection

CFDA NUMBER: 10.475

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Food Products Inspection

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Food Products, Inspection has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service for \$212,625 for a one-year grant period of the Cooperative Meat Inspection program, and this is the 57th year of the project. A required state contribution \$212,626 brings the total project support to \$425,251. The project requires 2.00 NSF and 2.00 GF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Food Products Inspection maintains a cooperative agreement with the USDA to provide a meat and poultry inspection program that meets provisions in the federal meat and poultry inspection acts. This grant provides funds to ensure that meat products manufactured for sale in Delaware are clean and free of disease.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Respond to suspect cases of meat adulteration, mislabeling, retail sales of uninspected product, meat and poultry recall effectiveness checks, meat and poultry recalls, inspection of warehouses and meat and poultry distributors as well as consumer complaints;
- Act as advisors to any state institutions such as schools, the Department of Health and Social Services and the Department of Correction; and
- Provide outreach to the public and other agencies on all food safety issues.

53. SAI NUMBER: 6445

PROJECT TITLE: Air Guard Operations and Maintenance Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 12.401

APPLICANT: Delaware National Guard

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware National Guard has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense, National Guard Bureau for \$7,450,021 for a two-year period of the Air National Guard (ANG) Operations and Maintenance Agreement, and this is the 61st year of the program. A required state contribution of \$690,693 brings the total agreement support to \$8,140,714. This agreement requires 44.00 NSF and 4.00 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The ANG Operations and Maintenance Agreement provides funds to support operations and maintenance activities at Delaware ANG facilities. The federal mission of these facilities requires readiness training for prompt mobilization in the event of war, national emergencies or other contingencies. This year's objectives are to continue to properly and safely maintain the guard's 100 percent federally owned facilities with federal grant funding, as well as the state-owned Readiness Center facilities located throughout the State. The Delaware National Guard has been able to adequately maintain these facilities by leveraging the limited state funding received as matching funds.

54. SAI NUMBER: 6446

PROJECT TITLE: Army National Guard Environmental Resource Management

Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 12.401

APPLICANT: Delaware National Guard

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware National Guard has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense, National Guard Bureau for \$686,261 for a two-year period of the Army National Guard (ARNG) Environmental Resource Management Agreement, and this is the 35th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This agreement requires 4.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget compliment. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The ARNG Environmental Resource Management Agreement provides funds for the performance of environmental compliance, corrective projects, environmental services and related program management at Delaware ARNG facilities throughout the State. The main objective for the Army National Guard Environmental Resources Management Agreement is to ensure that federal and state environmental safety standards are continually maintained at each of the Army National Guard facilities.

55. SAI NUMBER: 6447

PROJECT TITLE: Air National Guard Security Guard Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 12.401

APPLICANT: Delaware National Guard

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware National Guard has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense, National Guard Bureau for \$2,451,536 for a two-year period of the Air National Guard (ANG) Security Guard Agreement, and this is the 72nd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This agreement requires 25.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This agreement provides funding for 24-hour security guard protection for Delaware ANG personnel, aircraft, facilities, and equipment at the ANG base in New Castle, Delaware. The main measurable objective for the Air National Guard Security Guard Agreement is to successfully continue to protect the Delaware Air National Guard's personnel, aircraft, and facilities.

56. SAI NUMBER: 6448

PROJECT TITLE: Army National Guard Operations and Maintenance

Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 12.401

APPLICANT: Delaware National Guard

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware National Guard has applied to the U.S. Department of Defense, National Guard Bureau for \$17,985,279 for a two-year period of the Army National Guard (ARNG) Operations and Maintenance Agreement, and this is the 72nd year of the program. A required state contribution of \$10,258,913 brings the total project support to \$28,244,192. This program requires 24.50 NSF and 10.50 GF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The ARNG Operations and Maintenance Agreement provides funds to support operations and maintenance activities at Delaware ARNG facilities. The federal mission of these facilities requires readiness training for prompt mobilization in the event of war, national emergencies, or other contingencies. This year's objectives are to continue to maintain the Guard's 100 percent federally owned facilities properly and safely with federal grant funding, as well as the state-owned Readiness Center facilities located throughout the State.

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57. SAI NUMBER: 6308

PROJECT TITLE: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families -

CFDA NUMBER: 93.558

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$32,290,981 for a five-year grant period of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) grant, and this is the 30th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$33,745,927 brings the total project support to \$66,036,908. This project requires 28.67 NSF FTEs, 1.85 ASF FTEs, and 24.40 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

TANF was established in Delaware in March 1997, replacing the Aid for Families with Dependent Children program. TANF is the primary cash assistance program for families with children. The goal of the program is to provide temporary help while a family works toward self-sufficiency. The core elements of the program are time-limited benefits, promotion of responsible family planning, two-parent family provisions, rewarding work, enhanced child support activities and increased childcare for working families.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Develop a variety of support services to help with work readiness skills or special circumstances such as clients who are victims of domestic violence, have mental health or substance abuse issues, or have a medical disability;

• Assist individuals to obtain and retain employment; and

• Achieve an average monthly cash assistance caseload of 4,300 families.

58. SAI NUMBER: 6311

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$22,723,684 for a two-year period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program grant, and this is the 50th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$22,723,684 brings the total project support to \$45,447,368. This project requires 131.30 NSF FTEs and 131.30 GF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides funding for the costs of operating the food supplement program to low-income households in Delaware. This year's objective is to reach eligible but non-participating Delawareans through the state outreach plan. Outreach plan partners will continue to provide education, screening, application assistance to seniors, working poor and those with English as a second language.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Serve a monthly average of 60,022 households containing an average of 121,355 persons; and
- Reach eligible but nonparticipating Delawareans through renewing the state outreach plan to provide education, screening, and application assistance.

59. SAI NUMBER: 6302

PROJECT TITLE: Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment

CFDA NUMBER: 17.225

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$797,434 for a one-year grant period of the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment grant, and this is the eleventh year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 9.70 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment grant helps to reduce average unemployment durations for those receiving benefits and seeks to reduce improper

payments of benefits. Funding is used to host workshops that provide labor market information and help claimants develop reemployment plans.

60. SAI NUMBER: 6283

PROJECT TITLE: State Assessment and Related Activities

CFDA NUMBER: 84.369

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Academic Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Education has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$3,594,954 for a two-year grant period for the State Assessments and Related Activities grant, and this is the 22nd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 2.10 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Office of Assessment provides oversight and funds for state student assessment programs to measure academic performance, including Smarter Assessments for English Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy and Mathematics, Next Generation Science Standards Science Assessment (NGSS), Alternate Assessments, Delaware Communication Portfolio Summary (DCPS), Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT), Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), and Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS).

This year's objectives are to administer the following assessments:

- ELA/Literacy and Mathematics to all eligible public school students in grades 3-8;
- SAT School Day for all students in grade 11;
- NGSS Science to all public school students in grades 5, 8, and Biology;
- Social Studies to all public school students in grades 4, 6, 8, and 11;
- Alternative Assessment for ELA and Mathematics in grades 3-8 and 11 to all public school students:
- Alternative Assessment for science grades 5, 8, and 10 to all public school students;
- DCPS for ELA/Literacy and Mathematics to all public school students in grades 3-8;
- DCPS for Science for all public school students in grades 5, 8, and Biology;
- PSAT 10 to all grade 10 public school students; and
- ACCESS 2.0 to all English Language Learners (ELL) public school students in grades K-12.

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61. SAI NUMBER: 6344

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Coastal Management Program Implementation

CFDA NUMBER: 11.419

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for \$3,406,906 for a three-year grant period of the Delaware Coastal Management Program Implementation Grant, and the 45th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$3,347,835 brings the total project support to \$6,754,741. This grant requires 9.45 GF, 3.00 ASF and 9.50 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds to operate the Delaware Coastal Management Programs (CMP) within DNREC. Activities include management, monitoring and evaluation of Delaware's coastal resources and implementation of the Delaware Coastal Management Program.

62. SAI NUMBER: 6352

PROJECT TITLE: Recreational Boating Safety Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 97.012

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife, has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Coast Guard, Office of Boating Safety, for \$1,115,185 for a one-year grant period of the Recreational Boating Safety Financial Assistance grant and this is the 48th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$1,404,883 brings the total project support to \$2,520,068. This project requires 6.85 NSF and 10.25 GF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Recreational Boating Safety Financial Assistance program provides funds for DNREC to implement recreational boating safety standards in Delaware with the assistance of the U.S. Coast Guard.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continually monitor Delaware's laws, state policies and expenditures to assure that eligibility is maintained to participate in the grant program;
- Monitor and coordinate project activities (e.g. on-site project inspections, review of expenditures and accounting procedures, review of progress reports, etc.) to

- assure efficient and effective results and furnish timely performance and completion reports;
- Provide timely project documentation that assures adherence to program standards that meet goals and objectives; and
- Attend training on financial assistance and grants management to ensure that we are adhering to good financial practices and are incompliance with federal rules, regulations and laws This includes courses developed by the service.

Revised agenda item added

63. SAI NUMBER: 6516

PROJECT TITLE: Developmental Disabilities Council

CFDA NUMBER: 93.630

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office

of the Secretary, Developmental Disabilities Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Developmental Disabilities Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$526,120, for a three-year grant period for the Developmental Disability Council (DDC) grant, and the 56th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$20,000 and donations of \$80,000 bring the total project support to \$626,120. This grant requires 4.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted indirectly through the Office of the Secretary, and indirect costs do not apply.

Funding will be used to aid the DDC in coordinating programs enabling independence, productivity integration and inclusion for individuals with disabilities. The DDC's areas of emphasis are self-advocacy, interagency collaboration, healthcare, and education/early intervention.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Accomplish the objectives under the Self-Advocacy goal by supporting several different activities. Two major activities that the Council utilizes to help self-advocates become more empowered are the Junior Partners in Policymaking Program for young adults with disabilities as well as the Partners in Policymaking Program for adults with disabilities;
- Identify opportunities to eliminate institutional bias by changing default planning in transition services towards home and community-based settings;
- Provide training and resources to assist individuals with I/DD with a focus on the African American community, or for whom English is not their first language, to become effective and empowered advocates for their own health;
- Address disparities in housing experienced by Delawareans with disabilities; and
- Work to address gaps in education and early intervention services for people with disabilities to train and support parents and allies to become empowered advocates.



Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee October 30, 2024

The October 22, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for September projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:05 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Courtney Stewart, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

1. <u>6536</u>, Byrne Program Discretionary - Data Lab Rapsody Johnson, Legal, Department of Justice

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. 6561, Delaware Humanities/DEI Opportunity Grant

Richard Potter, Cherie Dodge-Biron and Heather Johnson, Department of Human Resources, Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. 6527, Training for Residential Energy Contractors

Tom Noyes, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6509, Box Tree Moth Survey

Stephen Hauss, Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

5. 6602, Temporary Bridge - IIJA

Kyle Hoyd, Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 6540 Commodity Supplemental Food Program
- 2. 6541 State Administrative Expense Funds
- 3. 6542 The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)
- 4. 5678 Amendment Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence
- 5. 5621 Amendment Broadband Equity Access and Deployment Planning Fund IIJA
- 6. 6528 Victim Compensation Formula Grant (VOCA)
- 7. 6532 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit
- 8. 5829 Amendment Immunization and Vaccines for Children
- 9. 6346 Preventing Maternal Deaths: Supporting Maternal Mortality Review Committee
- 10. 6354 Supported Employment-A
- 11. 6356 Supported Employment-B
- 12. <u>6449 Title III B Supportive Services</u>
- 13. 6511 Overdose Data to Action
- 14. 6520 Adult Protective Services Omnibus Formula Grant
- 15. 6521 Delaware Perinatal Cooperative
- 6543 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program State Exchange Electronic Benefit Transfer
- 17. 6594 Delaware Violent Death Reporting System
- 18. 6497 Title IV-E Kinship Navigator
- 4070 Amendment Support Agency Cooperative Agreement Standard Chlorine/ Metachem Fund Lead OU-2 RD
- 20. 5025 Amendment Delaware City PVC OU-3 Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
- 21. 5397 Amendment Hockessin Cleaners OU2 Removal
- 22. 5808 Amendment Underground Injection Control
- 23. 6060 Amendment Grid Resiliency Formula Grant
- 24. 6102 Amendment State Clean Diesel Grant Program
- 25. 6495 National Estuarine Research Reserve System Building Capacity IIJA
- 26. 6496 Delaware Coastal Management Program Building Capacity IIJA
- 27. 6508 Coastal Impoundment Restoration and Enhancement
- 28. 6522 Joint Enforcement Agreement
- 29. 6484 Homeland Security Grant Program

- 30. 6504 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program
- 31. 6537 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program
- 32. 6483 Delaware Aviation System Planning
- 33. 6515 Independent Living Services
- 34. 6526 Forest Health Management and Mentoring Program
- 35. 6529 Urban and Community Forestry
- 36. 6531 Volunteer Fire Assistance
- 37. 6533 State Fire Assistance
- 38. 6534 Forest Stewardship
- 39. 6535 Chesapeake Bay Watershed
- 40. 6523 Firefighters Assistance Grant
- 41. 6502 Rural Education Achievement Grant

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve Continued Business Items 1-41. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting October 22, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6536

PROJECT TITLE: Byrne Program Discretionary – Data Lab

CFDA NUMBER: 16.753

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for \$788,000 for a one-year grant period of their Byrne Program Discretionary grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no state match requirement. There are no positions funded through this project. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant allows the department to develop a Data Lab that will use advanced analytics, tools, and algorithms to identify trends, patterns, and anomalies in data and develop predictive models to aid proactive decision-making. The departments intends to use the Data Lab to generate reports to effectively communicate complex information to stakeholders, legal teams, and policymakers.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6561

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Humanities/DEI Opportunity Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 45.129

APPLICANT: Department of Human Resources, Division of Diversity,

Equity and Inclusion

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Human Resources, Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion has applied to the National Endowment for Humanities for \$18,000 for a one-year grant period for the Delaware Humanities/DEI Opportunity grant, and this is the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$19,190 brings the total project support to \$37,190. This grant requires 0.09 GF FTE and 0.05 ASF FTE which are included in the Department's authorized budget compliment. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project in the State of Delaware workforce and community at-large aims to promote unity and respect by celebrating diverse cultures through engaging activities like panel discussions, seminars, documentaries, and workshops. By highlighting various cultural heritages and narratives, the project fosters dialogue, critical thinking, and inclusivity. Special weeks dedicated to specific cultures offer in-depth learning experiences, while also focusing on engaging underrepresented communities for a more equitable society. Through

these efforts, the project seeks to create an inclusive work environment, enrich personnel's understanding of Delaware's diversity, and build a vibrant, respectful, and inclusive future for all.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promoting Cultural Awareness about the cultural richness and diversity within Delaware and beyond, encouraging individuals to learn about and appreciate different traditions, histories, and identities;
- Celebrating Diversity by showcasing the contributions and achievements of underrepresented communities;
- Encourage dialogue and understanding through meaningful conversations, interactions, and educational sessions, we aim to foster dialogue, empathy, and mutual understanding among individuals from diverse backgrounds;
- Combat discrimination and bias by addressing stereotypes, challenging prejudices, and promoting respect for all individuals; and
- Building community and solidarity by bringing people together to share experiences, stories, and perspectives.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6527

PROJECT TITLE: Training for Residential Energy Contractors

CFDA NUMBER: 81.041

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy for \$1,151,040 for a two-year grant period and the first year of the Training for Residential Energy Contractors program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs do not apply.

The grant will allow DNREC to manage the broad array of partners with community-based organizations and industry partners, recruit new workers, upskill incumbent workers, and provide contractor businesses that are servicing single-family homes and/or multifamily buildings with training options for their employees. The training will accommodate non-English speaking individuals, in part through offering training and certification materials in Spanish, as well as accessibility features that accommodate individuals who are deaf or have other physical disabilities. Training options will be provided in both in-person and online formats, which will reduce or even avoid associated travel costs.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Train and/or upskill 185 new and existing workers over 48 months;

- Provide a broad array of relevant training programs with industry recognized credentials for Residential Energy Contractors to participate in the Home Energy Rebates program;
- Budget \$12,900 per existing worker and \$4,525 per new worker to pay for recruiting, training, certification, and testing fees; and
- Establish a cloud-based credential tracking system.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6509

PROJECT TITLE: Box Tree Moth Survey

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for \$11,394 for a one-year grant period of the Box Tree Moth Survey program and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, one casual/seasonal position is supported by this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The box tree moth (BTM) is an invasive pest that can significantly damage and potentially kill boxwood plants if left unchecked. The Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA) has been surveying for BTM throughout Delaware as a pest of concern in since 2022. DDA will receive funding from the USDA for a rapid response to this pest.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Determine the extent of BTM population in Delaware;
- Partner with University of Delaware Cooperative Extension to conduct outreach to raise awareness and increase detection of BTM; and
- Provide technical support to property owners and landscape professionals on control options on infested plants as well as best management practices to prevent unintended transport of BTM.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6602

PROJECT TITLE: Temporary Bridge - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 10.678

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forrest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$133,800 for a one-year grant period of the Temporary Bridge program, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of this project is to help protect water quality in Delaware by providing forest product operators easy access to the necessary equipment to cross natural streams, and ditches. Delaware's Best Management Practices allow for the use of log or stone Fjords. A temporary bridge is a preferred method to a fjord as it reduces the risk of disturbance to the stream bed/ditch bottom, while preserving the integrity of the bank. Funding will be used to purchase temporary bridges and bridge mats that will be stored at both Redden State Forest and Blackbird State Forest.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Reduce the risk of disturbance to the stream bed/ditch bottom while preserving the integrity of the bank;
- Work with Delaware Forestry Association to promote this program to forest product operators; and
- Support goal 1.4.7 of the 2020 Delaware Statewide Forest Strategy to continue monitoring forest management operations and ensure water quality is not degraded.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6540

PROJECT TITLE: Commodity Supplemental Food Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.565

APPLICANT: Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food

Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for \$127,078 for a one-year period of the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), and this is the 15th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

CSFP provides food to supplement the diets of women, infants, children, and the elderly. Ninety-nine percent of funding will be passed through to the Food Bank of Delaware who has a contract to receive, warehouse, and distribute CSFP food. Delaware's CSFP focuses on providing food packages to low income, elderly people. The objective of this grant is to provide a monthly food package of USDA donated food to low income Delawareans over the age of sixty. This is done by partnering with the Food Bank to order and ship components of the food package directly to the Food Bank for assembly and distribution. Delaware's caseload effective January 1, 2024, is 1,287 people.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6541

PROJECT TITLE: State Administrative Expense Funds

CFDA NUMBER: 10.560

APPLICANT: Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food

Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for \$173,800 for a three-year period of the State Administrative Expense Funds grant, and this is the 43rd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 0.60 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides partial funding for the administration of the Food Distribution Program. The programs served are all public schools, self-prep summer food service programs and all eligible state and private residential facilities for youth. This year's objective is to continue to distribute in an equitable and timely manner USDA foods offered for all eligible recipients.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6542

PROJECT TITLE: The Emergency Food Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.568

APPLICANT: Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food

Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Office of Management and Budget, Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service for \$223,121 for a two-year period of the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) and this is the 43rd year of the project. A required state contribution of \$231,786 brings the total project support to \$454,907. This project requires 1.40 NSF and 2.70 ASF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides partial funding for the cost of storage and distribution of USDA food to organizations that serve eligible needy people in Delaware. Commodities are direct shipped to the Federal Food Commodities Office and are distributed to the various eligible agencies by the state-operated distribution system. This year's objective is to distribute, in an equitable and timely manner, USDA foods offered for all eligible recipients.

4. SAI NUMBER: 5678 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence

CFDA NUMBER: 16.820

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for an additional \$246,310 for a four-year period of the Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence grant, and this is the fifth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This amendment brings the total federal support to \$796,310. This program requires 0.10 NSF FTEs, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Delaware Criminal Justice Council, along with proposed subrecipient Innocence Delaware will utilize these funds to provide personnel and supporting resources to identify, investigate and review postconviction DNA testing cases on behalf of those incarcerated in Delaware who claim they are innocent.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Hire an Innocence Delaware contractual staff attorney with specialized DNA evidence training;
- Develop and implement forensic science training for partner attorneys and law school clinic students; and
- Locate biological evidence at issue in cases involving evidence and arrange for analysis.

5. SAI NUMBER: 5621 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) Planning

Fund - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 11.035

APPLICANT: Department of Technology and Information, Administration

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Technology and Information (DTI), Administration applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration for \$4,995,113 for a five-year grant period of the Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) Planning Fund - IIJA, and this is the first year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There is no required state contribution. This amendment does not change the grant funding amount but reallocates positions that are assigned to the grant. This grant requires 4.00 NSF FTEs which are included in the department budget compliment. All positions impacted by the BEAD grant are limited term. Audit fees have been previously budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This IIIJA funding will be used for strategic planning to connect unserved homes and to upgrade lower-speed homes with higher-speed connections.

BEAD program planning will span over five years through four primary workstreams:

• Strategy and Planning through the establishment of a broadband office to support the program;

- Outreach & Engagement through working with stakeholders and providing training and technical assistance as well as in-person county meetings and public community listening sessions;
- Data Collection & Analysis to form a cost analysis and utilization optimization model for building infrastructure to unserved addresses throughout the State; and
- Funding Program Development & Execution through the establishment and management of program requirements to include goals, metrics, and ongoing reporting.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6528

PROJECT TITLE: Victims Compensation Formula Grant (VOCA)

CFDA NUMBER: 16.576

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for \$357,455 for a four-year period of the Victims of Compensation Assistance (VOCA) grant, and this is the 39th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The grant provides funds from the federal Crime Victims Fund to enhance state victim compensation payments to eligible victims of crime. The purpose of the Victims' Compensation Assistance Program is to alleviate some of the financial burdens faced by victims, those that are directly related to the specific offense, by providing compensation for certain pecuniary losses. Compensation is available for the payment of crime-related expenses to eligible victims of qualifying crimes. Secondary victims, including parent(s), spouse, son(s), daughter(s), brother(s) sister(s), of the primary victim, may be eligible to receive mental health counseling for crime-related issues.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6532

PROJECT TITLE: Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

CFDA NUMBER: 93.775

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for \$2,115,487 for a one-year grant period of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) grant, and this is the 44th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$705,163 brings the total project support to \$2,820,650. This project requires 13.75 NSF and 4.25 GF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant allows the department to investigate and prosecute Medicaid fraud by healthcare providers and patient abuse in residential, medical or hospital facilities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct 45 medical investigations;
- Deter and prevent fraud and abuse through strong, visible enforcement efforts; and
- Prosecute instances of Medicaid fraud and patient abuse, neglect and mistreatment in hospitals and long-term care residential facilities.

8. SAI NUMBER: 5829 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Immunization and Vaccines for Children

CFDA NUMBER: 93.268

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for an additional \$3,471,218 for a one-year period of the Immunization and Vaccines for Children grant, and this is the 49th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This amendment brings the total project support to \$5,819,777. This project requires 11.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement and were previously budgeted. Audit fees and indirect costs were previously budgeted.

The goal of the Delaware Immunization Program is to support efforts that prevent and control the transmission of vaccine-preventable diseases in all ages through high and sustained immunization coverage across the lifespan. This is achieved by applying strategies to close the gaps in immunization coverage by improving access and information thus assuring that all populations receive the necessary immunizations at key life stages.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase new providers enrolled in the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program by 5 percent;
- Increase first dose and series completion for the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) by 5 percent;
- Increase Hepatitis B Birth Dose administrations reported to the program by 3 percent; and
- Integrate COVID-19 vaccine supply into vaccine supported programs.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6346

PROJECT TITLE: Preventing Maternal Deaths: Supporting Maternal Mortality

Review Committee

CFDA NUMBER: 93.478

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$295,000 for a one-year grant period of the Preventing Maternal Deaths: Supporting Maternal Mortality Review Committee grant, and this is the sixth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will support the Child Death Review Commission to coordinate and manage Maternal Mortality Review Committees to identify and characterize maternal deaths for identifying prevention opportunities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase timely case abstraction from 70 percent to 80 percent by September 2025;
- Increase the ratio of active members with clinical expertise to active-non-clinical members from 62 percent/38 percent to 60 percent/40 percent by July 2025 to work towards a multi-disciplinary committee membership reviewing cases;
- Increase the ratio of timely committee case reviews from 90 percent to 95 percent by September 2025; and
- Increase the number of engagements (e.g., listening sessions, co-learning events, 'data walks/talks' strategies, or other bidirectional discussions) with organizations/agencies/ community groups that serve or represent populations disproportionately affected by pregnancy-related mortality.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6354

PROJECT TITLE: Supported Employment – A

CFDA NUMBER: 84.187

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Visually Impaired

Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Visually Impaired Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$21,000 for a one-year period of the Supported Employment Services – A grant, and this is the 39th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Supported Employment Services – A grant places individuals with the most significant disabilities who require intensive job supports to achieve a positive employment outcome, within an integrated work setting based on the individuals' unique strengths, interests, resources, priorities, abilities, capabilities, and informed choice. Supported Employment

Services include job placement, intensive job coaching for up to 18 months, stabilization services and on-going support services. The objective for this year is to achieve four successful employment outcomes and provide supported services opportunities such as training support and guidance to the program's supported employment consumer.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6356

PROJECT TITLE: Supported Employment – B

CFDA NUMBER: 84.187

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Visually

Impaired Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Visually Impaired Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$21,000 for a one-year period of the Supported Employment Services – B grant, and this is the 39th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$2,333 brings the total project support to \$23,333. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Supported Employment Services – B grant places individuals with the most significant disabilities who require intensive job supports to achieve a positive employment outcome, within an integrated work setting based on the individuals' unique strengths, interests, resources, priorities, abilities, capabilities, and informed choice. Supported Employment Services include job placement, intensive job coaching for up to 18 months, stabilization services and on-going support services. The objective for this year is to achieve four successful employment outcomes and provide supported services opportunities such as training support and guidance to the program's supported employment consumers.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6449

PROJECT TITLE: Title III, Part B – Supportive Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.044

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$2,029,499 for a two-year grant period of the Title III, Part B - Supportive Services grant, and this is the 58th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$1,227,624 brings the total project support to \$3,257,123. This project requires 12.50 NSF and 14.50 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant is part of the State Plan on Aging, which enables Delaware to receive funds under Title III and Title VII of the Older Americans Act, as well as associated nutrition incentive funds. This funding provides supportive services such as personal care, adult day services, and case management under Title III, Part B of the Older Americans Act.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Promote excellence in the delivery of core Older Americans Act Programs;
- Carry out advocacy efforts to develop service structure that improves the lives of older persons, adults with physical disabilities and their care givers;
- Develop strategies to fully integrate discretionary grant programs with Older Americans Act core programs;
- Support consumer control and choice related to long-term care options; and
- Support the expansion of home and community- based services which enable consumers to direct their own care.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6511

PROJECT TITLE: Overdose Data to Action

CFDA NUMBER: 93.136

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse

and Mental Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$3,327,587 for a one-year period for the Overdose Data to Action grant, and this is the sixth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 7.10 NSF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs are not applicable.

These funds will be used to collect high quality, comprehensive and timelier data on opioid prescribing, morbidity and mortality; and to use the data to establish and continue prevention strategies. This funding opportunity will continue work focused on building state and local capacity for public health programs determined to be promising based on research evidence, making Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs) easier to use and access, and working with health systems, insurers and communities to improve opioid prescribing.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Expanded data dissemination and sharing efforts;
- Increase clinician awareness of evidence-based practices;
- Increase collaboration, coordination, and communication among partners, leveraging and building upon the Overdose System of Care and Addiction Action Committee infrastructure;
- Increase access to harm reduction education and services, including increase distribution of naloxone through community-based engagement strategies; and

• Decrease barriers to care/services, especially for those disproportionately affected by overdose.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6520

PROJECT TITLE: Adult Protective Services Omnibus Formula Grants to States

CFDA NUMBER: 93.698

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Division of

Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$111,375 for a two-year period of the Adult Protective Services (APS) Omnibus Formula Grants to States, and this is the third year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees and indirect costs are not applicable.

Funding will be used to enhance and improve adult protective services in support of the agency's Operational Strategic Plan and be consistent with national best practices. This elder justice project involves development of an emergency capable APS, providing staff with tools to be able to work more efficiently; and to better support alleged victims of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Enhance supported services for alleged victims through increased emergency services including innovative housing models;
- Enhance knowledge base with intensive training on relevant adult protective services topics; and
- Enhanced infrastructure through evidence-based training, education and outreach to diverse professionals.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6521

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Perinatal Cooperative

CFDA NUMBER: 93.946

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$200,000 for a one-year period of the Delaware Perinatal Cooperative grant, and this is the sixth year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Funds will be used to actively conduct quality improvement projects and disseminate data throughout the State, as well as to identify, assist, track and report on opioid-exposed perinatal women and newborns identified as having neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS).

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase the attendance of patients to their first postpartum provider appointment from approximately 50 percent to 70 percent of patients that deliver;
- Increase the administering of comprehensive screenings to at least 80 percent of patients discharged after delivery;
- Conduct in person, live OB emergency maternity drills at 80 percent of our state's maternity units, and member hospital's emergency departments;
- Create a standardized postpartum evaluation by using a comprehensive postpartum discharge summary statewide; and
- Incentivize the use of navigators and educators.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6543

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Electronic

Benefits Transfer State Exchange

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$8,000 for the 31st year of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Electronic Benefits Transfer State Exchange grant. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding supports interstate travel to allow states to share information regarding electronic benefit information systems.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6594

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Violent Death Reporting System

CFDA NUMBER: 93.136

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$183,314 for a one-year period of the Delaware Violent Death Reporting System grant, and this is the tenth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.00 NSF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Delaware Violent Death Reporting System is used to collect comprehensive information about violent deaths in Delaware to guide effective state and local violence prevention programs and policy. This year's objectives include an emphasis on data dissemination, performance measure review, and building analytic capacity efforts with violence prevention partners in the state.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6497

PROJECT TITLE: Title IV-B, Kinship Navigator Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.556

APPLICANT: Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their

Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families, Family Services, Intervention/Treatment has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$177,211 for a one-year period of the Title IV-B, Kinship Navigator Program, and this is the sixth year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will be used for the Kinship Navigator Program to assist grandparents and other relatives who take primary responsibility for the care of children who need safe and stable placement. This program will continue to work with Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) and other community partners to recommend and implement the Kinship Navigator model to assist caregivers in learning about, finding, and using programs to meet the needs of children.

19. SAI NUMBER: 4070 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Support Agency Cooperative Agreement – Standard Chlorine/

Metachem Fund Lead OU-2-RD

CFDA NUMBER: 66.802

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and

Hazardous Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances, has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for an additional \$13,279 for a six-year period of the Support Agency Cooperative Agreement – Standard Chlorine/Metachem Fund Lead OU-2 RD grant, and this is the 23rd year of the project. This amendment brings the total project support to \$50,761. This project requires 0.12 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. There is no required state contribution. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This agreement will fund the remedial design and monitoring activities for wetlands soils and sediments from spills at the Standard Chlorine/Metachem superfund site.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Review and comment on all technical documents related to the design and operation of the remedial systems and attend technical meetings with the EPA;
- Maintain a project file of documents and correspondence and provide access to the Delaware Freedom of Information Act process and on the Remediation Section web page;
- Provide field oversight of construction or sampling activities and coordinate with other State of Delaware agencies involved in the project; and
- Manage environmental data from the Standard Chlorine/Metachem Site.

20. SAI NUMBER: 5025 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware City PVC OU-3 Remedial Investigation/Feasibility

Study

CFDA NUMBER: 66.802

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and

Hazardous Substance

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substance has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for an additional \$22,365 for a four-year grant period of the Delaware City PVC OU-3 Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study, and this is the second year of the project. This amendment brings the total project support to \$32,509. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 0.16 NSF FTE, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Delaware City PVC OU-3 Remedial Investigation/Feasibility (RI/FS) project involves the DNREC's remediation section to review and comment on all technical documents related to technical meetings with the EPA. The section will be actively engaged in field oversight during the RI/FS activities. During all phases of the project, the section will maintain a project file of documents and correspondence and provide access to these documents through the Delaware Freedom of Information Act process and on the section's web page. The Remediation Section will also coordinate the exchange of information concerning any neighboring EPA Superfund sites and State of Delaware cleanup sites.

21. SAI NUMBER: 5397 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Hockessin Cleaners Operable Unit 2 Removal

CFDA NUMBER: 66.802

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and

Hazardous Substances

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Waste and Hazardous Substances has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$6,691 for a three-year grant period of the Hockessin Cleaners Operable Unit 2 Removal grant, and this is the first year of the project. This amendment brings the total project support to \$16,691. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.07 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This project will provide funding for support for removal activities at the Hockessin Cleaners Superfund Site in New Castle County, Delaware. The total site is approximately 32 acres along State Route 41 and encompasses numerous commercial properties, businesses, and residential properties. This grant is for the dry cleaner facility known as Hockessin Cleaners Operable Unit 2. Under a Cooperative Agreement with the EPA, DNREC will provide support and oversight activities such as reviewing correspondence, work plans, analytical data, and technical documents.

22. SAI NUMBER: 5808 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Underground Injection Control

CFDA NUMBER: 66.433

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Water

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Water has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for an additional \$50,000 bringing the total federal funding to \$98,000 for a two-year grant period of the Underground Injection Control grant, and this is the 40th year of the project. There is an additional required state contribution of \$36,881 bringing the total state contribution to \$73,761 and the total overall project support to \$256,641. This grant requires 0.64 NSF, 0.10 GF, and 0.22 ASF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement and were previously budgeted. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs were previously budgeted.

Delaware's Underground Injection Control (UIC) program is a Source Water Protection Program that regulates underground injection wells as defined under federal law. The program provides a mechanism for regulation certain activities (waste injection) which might adversely impact groundwater quality. The UIC Program also defines the limits of and risks to groundwater resources. The UIC Program will use the grant funds to support the purchase of critical laboratory instrumentation to be used for the analysis of

groundwater monitoring samples from wastewater treatment facilities with Class V UIC wells.

The funds will be utilized to purchase the following:

- One 12-Port Solid Phase Extraction Vacuum Manifold with Associated SPE Cartridges;
- One Mantech MT 100 Automated Titration Analyzer;
- One Turner-design Trilogy Fluorometer; and
- Two Elga Water Ultra Purification Systems.

23. SAI NUMBER: 6060 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Grid Resiliency Formula Grant - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 81.122

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Division of Climate, Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Division of Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy for an additional \$1,271,693 bringing the federal contribution to \$4,191,512 for a five-year period of the Grid Resiliency Formula Grant – IIJA, and this is the first year of the program. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) that was signed into law on November 15, 2021. An additional required state contribution of \$190,753 brings the state contribution to \$628,726 and the total overall project support to \$4,820,238 There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Grid Resiliency grant is a formula grant that provides pass-through funding for utilities to implement grid resiliency projects in the state of Delaware. The priority for distribution of funding will be based on the greatest community benefit.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Reduce the likelihood of disruptions and reduce the consequences of disruptions in disadvantaged communities by tracking the number of customers benefiting in disadvantaged communities and reducing the number and percent of disruptions;
- Develop the workforce to leverage existing or new inclusive workforce development/training opportunities such as vocational or apprenticeship programs;
- Engage with and involve disadvantaged communities to identify interest and technical assistance needs and to create partnerships where possible;
- Invest in innovation and longevity of efficient and clean energy to attain the goals set forth in Delaware's Climate Action Plan; and
- Support resilience investments in locations either impacted by severe storm and flooding or are at risk of such impact.

24. SAI NUMBER: 6102 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: State Clean Diesel Grant Program

CFDA NUMBER: 66.040

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of the Secretary, Office of Environmental

Protection, Air Quality

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of the Secretary, Office of Environmental Protection, Air Quality, applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and received an award of \$653,700 for a four-year period of the State Clean Diesel Grant Program, and this is the 14th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This amendment reflects an increase of \$1,331,710 in the matching funds provided by project partners bringing the total match support to \$1,852,020. The project partners have not all been identified so the amount of matching funds is dependent on the number of partners. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees previously budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Clean Diesel Grant Program aims to reduce diesel emissions and improve air quality across Delaware. Year one grant funding will be used to replace four diesel school buses, including one diesel bus with School Mule, Inc and three additional with Logan Transp., LLC. Project partners will be responsible for paying any mandatory cost shares and the match amount reflected in this amendment request is the highest potential match amount. Projects associated with this grant reduce diesel emissions and result in improved air quality. DAQ anticipates completion by September 2026.

25. SAI NUMBER: 6495

PROJECT TITLE: National Estuarine Research Reserve Building Capacity –

IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 11.473

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for \$600,000 for a two-year grant period of the National Estuarine Research Reserve Building Capacity – IIJA grant, and this is the second year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Delaware Coastal Program (DCP) Section has two programs eligible for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA): Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Capacity Building Funding. The Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve

(DNERR) consists of estuarine areas located in the St. Jones and Blackbird Creek watersheds. The Delaware Coastal Management Program (DCMP) coastal zone consists of the entire State of Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Prepare for, apply for, manage, and monitor IIJA funded restoration and land conservation projects;
- Complete two habitat basemaps to aide with restoration plan development and to serve as pre-restoration baselines;
- Create one over-arching habitat restoration and land management plan for the entire St. Jones Reserve component; and
- Establish two habitat restoration designs for specific parcels at the Blackbird Creek and St. Jones Reserve components.

26. SAI NUMBER: 6496

PROJECT TITLE: Coastal Management Program Building Capacity – IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 11.473

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for \$900,000 for a three-year grant period of the Coastal Management Program Building Capacity - IIJA grant, and this is the second year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Delaware Coastal Management Program (DCMP) coastal zone consists of the entire state of Delaware, and the Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve (DNERR) consists of estuarine areas located in the St. Jones and Blackbird Creek watersheds. Two federal grants have been applied for to provide capacity building funding (this grant and a separate DNERR grant) which will enable the Delaware Coastal Program (DCP) to leverage both funding sources for three Kent Conservation District employees as contractual staff to work on habitat restoration and conservation projects for the entirety of Delaware. These positions will develop priority lists and proposals, perform project management, create, and implement monitoring plans, establish best management practices, and work to enable local and regional restoration partnerships.

27. SAI NUMBER: 6508

PROJECT TITLE: Coastal Impoundment Restoration and Enhancement

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Division of Fish and

Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Division of Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$2,634,135 for a five-year grant period for the Coastal Impoundment Restoration and Enhancement project, and this is the sixth year of the project. A required state contribution of \$878,045 brings the total project support to \$3,512,180. This program requires 0.65 NSF FTE, 0.05 GF FTE, and 0.30 ASF FTE, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This project will fund engineering, design, and restoration activities on coastal impoundments owned and managed by the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop one management plan and one maintenance plan to identify and prioritize the habitat goal and maintenance needs through the continuous monitoring and analyzation of the impoundments;
- Management of approximately 4000 acres of wetland habitat within 30 impoundments;
- Development of one plan to evaluate the historical architecture of coastal impoundment as suggested by the State Historical Preservation Office to facilitate future restoration and construction needs;
- Complete one restoration plan for the Little Creek Wildlife Area West Impoundment to include dike and water control structure restoration;
- Construction/Restore the Little Creek Wildlife Area West Impoundment (150 acres) as per design; and
- Repair or replacement of two failing water control structures on the Little Creek Wildlife Area and Ted Harvey Conservation Area.

28. SAI NUMBER: 6522

PROJECT TITLE: Joint Enforcement Agreement

CFDA NUMBER: 11.472

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for \$237,517 for a one-year grant period and the 24th year of the Joint Enforcement Agreement. A discretionary state contribution of \$713 brings the total project support to \$238,230. This program requires 12

Natural Resource Officers providing extra duty which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees are not applicable and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Joint Enforcement Agreement provides federal funding for overtime payments for targeted fisheries patrol and the purchase of related equipment necessary to enforce federal laws and regulations. This grant period's objectives include completion of the agreed patrol, outreach, clerical hours, and the purchase of all requested equipment.

29. SAI NUMBER: 6484

PROJECT TITLE: Homeland Security Grant Program

CFDA NUMBER: 97.067

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$4,362,750 for a three-year grant period of the Homeland Security Grant Program, and this is the 24th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 3.75 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Homeland Security Grant Program supports efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the prevention, protection, mitigation and response and recovery mission areas to achieve National Preparedness Goals and implement Delaware's Homeland Security Strategies. The purpose of the grant is to help prevent terrorism and to prepare for the greatest threats and hazards that pose a risk to the security of the nation. This year's objective is to plan and execute funding solutions for investment projects to address gaps identified in the State's Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and to support the implementation of the State Preparedness Report. Subawards will be provided to the Delaware Emergency Management Agency, Delaware State Fire School, Delaware State Police, Department of Natural Resources and Environment Control, Department of Technology and Information, Department of Transportation, Delaware Department of Agriculture, and the Department of Health and Social Services.

30. SAI NUMBER: 6504

PROJECT TITLE: Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program

CFDA NUMBER: 16.607

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police,

Training

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, State Police, Training has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for \$106,998 for a two-year grant period of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program, and this is the 13th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$106,998 brings the total program support to \$213,996. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program reimburses law enforcement agencies 50 percent of vest purchases, which are worn by uniformed officers at training and while on duty. Uniformed Officers are required to wear body armor while on duty and during training when weapons are being discharged. These vests need replacement every five years. The vests included in the application are for replacement of vests at end of life and those required to outfit new recruits. The Delaware State Police manages this program for the Delaware Natural Resources Department of Fish & Wildlife and the Delaware State Police.

31. SAI NUMBER: 6537

PROJECT TITLE: State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 97.137

APPLICANT: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the

Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$4,546,985 for a four-year period of the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program - IIJA, and this is the second year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. A required state contribution of \$227,349 from state project participants (to be determined) and match contributions of \$909,397 from county/municipal project participants brings the total project support to \$5,683,731. There are 0.50 NSF and 0.25 GF FTE positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) provides grant funding to assist states, local governments, rural areas, and territories with managing and reducing systemic cyber risk. Strengthening cybersecurity practices and resilience of state, local, and territorial governments is the primary focus of the program. DEMA, in collaboration the Department of Technology and Information and the Homeland Security subcommittee, will work to determine specific projects and subrecipients with at least 80 percent of these funds expected to be awarded to local governments, including at least 25 percent to rural areas.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Develop and establish appropriate governance structures, including developing, implementing, or revising cybersecurity plans, to improve capabilities to respond to cybersecurity incidents and ensure continuity of operations;
- Understand the current cybersecurity posture and areas of improvement based on continuous testing, evaluation, and structured assessments;
- Implement security protections commensurate with risk; and
- Ensure organization personnel are appropriately trained in cybersecurity commensurate with responsibility.

32. SAI NUMBER: 6483

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Aviation System Planning

CFDA NUMBER: 20.106

APPLICANT: Department of Transportation, Planning

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT), Planning has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for \$264,999 for a one-year grant period of the Delaware Aviation System Planning Grant, and this is the 13th year of the project. A required state match of \$29,445 brings the total project support to \$294,444. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Aviation System Plan update will review the classifications of airports and heliports/vertiports and provide guidelines for their orderly development.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Analyze the planning information about the airport system, including the ability of the State to plan for local share expenditures for federally eligible projects;
- Provide a forum for stakeholder and public discussion about the direction and need for aviation facilities in the future;
- Publish interim reports which will later be incorporated into the comprehensive technical report; and
- Produce five copies of the technical report and a digital version.

33. SAI NUMBER: 6515

PROJECT TITLE: Independent Living Services

CFDA NUMBER: 93.369

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Vocational

Rehabilitation Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Labor, Vocational Rehabilitation, Vocational Rehabilitation Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$348,060 for a two-year grant period of the Independent Living Services grant, and this is the 42nd year of the program. A required state contribution of

\$34,806 brings the total project support to \$382,866. This grant requires 1.00 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Independent Living Services grant provides services to individuals with disabilities to assist them in functioning more independently at home, at work and in the community. The four core services in the program are advocacy, peer support, information and referral, and the development of independent living skills. This year's objective is to provide services to 114 clients, assisting with home and vehicle modifications, assistive technology and other services designed to allow individuals with disabilities to remain in home and community settings.

34. SAI NUMBER: 6526

PROJECT TITLE: Forest Health Management and Monitoring Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.680

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (DFS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$83,000 for a one-year grant period of the Forest Health Management and Monitoring Program, and this is the 26th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$98,717 brings the total project support to \$181,717. This program requires 0.66 NSF and 0.91 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Forest Health Management and Monitoring program funding assists Delaware in conducting forest health management activities on non-federal forest lands to achieve healthy and sustainable forests. Forest health management activities include detecting, monitoring, and evaluating forest health condition on state and private lands.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct surveys for prevalent forest pests within Delaware's 375,000 acres of forest land;
- Perform hands-on forest pest/forest health training to DFS personnel; and
- Provide the public with timely information regarding forest health problems and issues.

35. SAI NUMBER: 6529

PROJECT TITLE: Urban and Community Forestry

CFDA NUMBER: 10.675

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$300,000 for a four-year grant period of the Urban Community Forestry program, and this is the 24th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$254,156 and local contributions of \$45,844 bring the total project support to \$600,000. This project requires 2.55 NSF FTEs, 1.60 GF, and .75 ASF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Urban and Community Forestry program seeks to promote natural resource management in populated areas and improve quality of life by focusing on achieving healthy and sustainable forests, enhanced economic development, and management of data and other information. The program assists individuals in urban areas and community settings with sustaining shade trees, forest lands, and open spaces by providing financial, technical, educational, and related assistance to state foresters to support communities with planning urban forestry programs.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase urban tree canopies;
- Promote urban waste wood utilization;
- Increase the number of urban forestry professionals working in Delaware;
- Increase the number of urban and community forests that are sustainably managed;
- Increase landowner and government knowledge and appreciation of the urban forests and urban forestry management; and
- Increase teacher and student understanding and appreciation of urban forests.

36. SAI NUMBER: 6531

PROJECT TITLE: Volunteer Fire Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 10.664

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$39,359 for a four-year grant period of the Volunteer Fire Assistance program, and this is the 22nd year of the project. A required state contribution of \$19,940 and local contributions of \$20,362 bring the total project support to \$79,661. This project requires 0.10 NSF FTE and 0.19 GF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of the Volunteer Fire Assistance program is to prove financial, technical, and related assistance to State Foresters for organizing, training, and equipping rural fire departments. State Foresters pass funding through to local fire departments and fire training academies.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Continue providing wildland fire suppression training to volunteer firefighters throughout Delaware and to state employees who may engage in wildland firefighting and prescribed burning activities;
- Sponsor the annual weekend Fire Camp at one of our State Forests to provide hands-on wildlife suppression training to volunteer firefighters and other state personnel; and
- Continue an equipment grant program to provide personal-protective-equipment (PPE), wildland firefighting tools, hose, and other equipment to volunteer fire companies within Delaware's wildland/urban interface.

37. SAI NUMBER: 6533

PROJECT TITLE: State Fire Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 10.664

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$138,216 for a three-year grant period of the State Fire Assistance program, and this is the 26th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$96,862 and local contributions of \$41,354 brings the total project support to \$276,432. This grant requires 0.82 NSF, 0.65 GF, and 0.25 ASF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The State Fire Assistance program addresses critical preparedness needs and hazard mitigation. The funding is intended to increase the amount of forests and grasslands restored to or maintained in a healthy sustainable condition with reduced risk and damage from fires, insects and diseases and invasive species.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Improve the knowledge base associated with community fire risk;
- Help communities to prepare for and prevent wildland fires; and
- Work with agencies to improve their suppression capabilities within the community.

38. SAI NUMBER: 6534

PROJECT TITLE: Forest Stewardship

CFDA NUMBER: 10.678

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$113,926 for a three-year grant period of the Forest Stewardship program, and this is the 25th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$114,371 brings the total project support to \$228,297. This project requires

0.88 NSF and 0.58 GF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Forest Stewardship Program (FSP) encourages long-term stewardship of non-federal, non-industrial private forest lands, particularly in priority landscape areas that have been identified in the Delaware Forest Resource Assessment and Strategy. In cooperation with the Delaware Stewardship Coordinating Committee, the FSP promotes healthy forests, sustainable management and sustainable economic development.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Maintain an updated, accurate inventory of Delaware's forests, including forest types/species, age, growth, and removals;
- Maintain and improve water quality through forest establishment, forested buffers, forest restoration, and protecting hardwater forests;
- Maintain, and wherever possible, improve forest health;
- Promote the importance of Delaware's forests and forest industry; and
- Maintain and expand the opportunities for the traditional forest markets and operators.

39. SAI NUMBER: 6535

PROJECT TITLE: Chesapeake Bay Watershed Project

CFDA NUMBER: 10.678

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (DFS) has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$27,000 for a four-year grant period for the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Project, and this is the twelfth year of the project. A required state contribution of \$11,336 and local contributions of \$15,644 bring the total project support to \$54,000. This project requires 0.13 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Chesapeake Bay Watershed Project supports efforts to meet goals within Delaware's State Assessment and Strategy and Delaware's Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan. DFS will work with municipalities and/or landowners within the Chesapeake Bay watershed to establish forested buffers, assist communities with tree canopy goals and foster partnerships to meet water quality goals. In additional, DFS will offer municipal residents' low-cost trees to increase the TREErrific school program.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase the number of communities with urban tree canopies;
- Improve water quality by planting trees within community and municipal lands;
- Expand partnerships within the Chesapeake Bay Watershed;
- Offer educational and outreach opportunities; and

• Provide technical assistance to municipalities.

40. SAI NUMBER: 6523

PROJECT TITLE: Firefighters Assistance Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 97.044

APPLICANT: Fire Prevention Commission, State Fire School

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Fire Prevention Commission, State Fire School has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$401,333 for a two-year grant period of the Firefighters Assistance Grant, and this is the nineth year of the program. A required state contribution of \$41,458 brings the total project support to \$442,791. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees are budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Firefighters Assistance Grant provides funds to the State Fire School to purchase equipment used in training Delaware firefighters and emergency responders.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Purchase 30 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) harnesses, 60 cylinders and 30 face pieces to replace current SCBA's;
- Purchase four thermal imaging cameras; and
- Purchase 26 complete sets of turnout gear to include, coat, pants, boots, two hoods and two sets of gloves in each set.

41. SAI NUMBER: 6502

PROJECT TITLE: Rural Education Achievement Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 84.358

APPLICANT: First State Military Academy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The First State Military Academy (FSMA) has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education for \$28,726 for a two-year period of the Rural Education Achievement grant, and this is the second year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Rural Education Achievement Program provides rural local education agencies with financial assistance to fund initiatives aimed at improving student academic achievement. FSMA will use these funds to ensure that students have access to the technology necessary to succeed in computer science classes. Funding will support the purchase of student devices for a one-to-one technology initiative that supports the school's core subjects as well as mathematics programming and English language learners.

- Improving mathematics programming by utilizing evidence-based curricula,
- Providing high quality professional development for school leaders and teachers about a project-based learning approach in mathematics, and
- Improving the use of digital resources for English as a Second Language (ESL) students to help them learn high school mathematics.

Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee December 2, 2024

The November 19, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for October projects was called to order by Representative Kimberly Williams, at 10:01 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative
The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom
The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative
The Honorable Stephanie Bolden, Representative, via Zoom
The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General
Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom
Carla Cassell-Carter, Proxy, Office of Management and Budget

I. New Business

6588, Commodity Supplemental Food Program Emergency Funding
Teresa Youngcourt, Office of Management and Budget, Government Support
Services, Food Distribution

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. <u>6563, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Earnings Verification and Support</u>

Jessica Horn, Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

A MOTION was made by Representative Stephanie Bolden, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. <u>6551, Assistance for Adoption Building Energy Codes - IRA</u>
Tom Noyes, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy

A MOTION was made by Senator Stephanie Hansen, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6575, Owens Station Hunter Education Training Center

Pamela Severson, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

5. 6572, CARES Act Administration Funding

Darryl Scott and Laurie Wexler, Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration

A MOTION was made by Representative Stephanie Bolden, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

6. 6577, Invasive Species Research and Management - IIJA

Kyle Hoyd, Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

7. 5716 Amendment, Lums Pond Cabins

Brooks Cahall, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation

A MOTION was made by Senator Stephanie Hansen, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve this project. The MOTION passed with 6 approved and 1 opposed.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6524 Victims of Crime Assistance Grant (VOCA)
- 2. 6573 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program
- 3. 6574 Internet Crimes Against Children
- 4. 6353 Vocational Rehabilitation- Blind (Basic Support)
- 5. 6357 Independent Living Services for Older Individuals Who Are Blind
- 6. 6494 Access and Visitation Program
- 7. 6512 Tuberculosis Elimination and Laboratory Cooperative
- 8. 6538 Senior Community Service Employment Program
- 9. 6544 AmeriCorps State Formula Funds
- 10. 6545 AmeriCorps State Formula Fixed Amount
- 11. 6546 AmeriCorps State Competitive
- 12. 6499 Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer Benefits
- 13. 6433 Environmental Review and Technical Assistance
- 14. 6463 Pollinator Species of Greatest Conservation Need Inventory and Conservation
- 15. 6464 National and Regional Conservation Coordination
- 16. 6581 Delmarva Fox Squirrel Conservation Plan Implementation

- 17. 6556 Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- 18. 6137 Amendment State Apprenticeship Expansion
- 19. 6571 National Fire Academy Training Grant
- 20. 6584 Child Nutrition Program Technology Innovation
- 21. 6587 Head Start Collaboration Grant
- 22. 6552 Return to Learn Grant

A MOTION was made by Senator Stephanie Hansen, seconded by Representative Stephanie Bolden, to approve Continued Business Items 1-22. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m. by Representative Kimberly Williams. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

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Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting November 19, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6588

PROJECT TITLE: Commodity Supplemental Food Program Emergency

Funding

CFDA NUMBER: 10.194

APPLICANT: Office of Management and Budget, Government Support

Services, Food Distribution

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services, Food Distribution has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), for \$63,301 for a one-year grant period of the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) Emergency Funding grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program is administered in Delaware by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Government Support Services. The Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services, Federal Food Commodities Program has contracted with the Food Bank of Delaware to receive, warehouse, and distribute CSFP food. Eligible participants will be issued a monthly food package, predetermined according to appropriate food group category. Participants will receive the food package by self-pick-up or home delivery.

The objective of this grant is to provide emergency funding to address supply chain challenges caused by delays in delivery of food from the national CSFP warehouse.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6563

PROJECT TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Earnings Verification and Support

CFDA NUMBER: 10.561

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$127,538 for a one-year period of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Earnings Verification and Support grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 requires that SNAP State agencies verify the income of applicants at initial certification and recertification. This funding will support the SNAP portion of the State's electronic earned income verification service.

The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Social Services (DSS) is the coordinating SNAP agency for the State of Delaware. DSS is overseeing all aspects of the program's administration, benefit issuance, and funding. Division of Social Services proposes to use the SNAP Earnings Verification and Support Grant to help fund the SNAP portion of the State's FY2025 contract with Equifax Workforce Solutions for The Work Number.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6551

PROJECT TITLE: Assistance for Adoption Building Energy Codes - IRA

CFDA NUMBER: 81.117

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for \$20,007,890 for a nine-year grant period of the Assistance for Adoption Building Energy Codes – IRA program, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Division of Climate, Coastal and Energy is requesting \$20 million to develop and deploy a Building Performance Standard (BPS) in Topic Area 3: Adoption and Implementation of Innovative Building Energy Codes by States and Certain Units of Local Government, Subtopic Area B: Innovative Building Energy Codes with Energy Savings Equivalent to Zero Energy Codes. The Division plans to use grant funds to reduce the fossil fuel use of existing large commercial buildings by setting performance targets to decrease energy consumption in these buildings over time through a BPS. In the first two years of the project, the state will hire consultants and contractual staff to work to support the enabling legislation and engage with stakeholders to finalize the scope of a BPS and develop performance targets and metrics.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6575

PROJECT TITLE: Owens Station Hunter Education Training Center

CFDA NUMBER: 15.611

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$457,115 for a two-year grant period of the Delaware Hunter Education Program and this is the first year of the project. A required state contribution of \$152,371 brings the total project support to \$609,486. This project requires 0.02 NSF FTE and 0.02 GF FTE, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this project is to construct a new hunter education training center for Delaware's Hunter Education Program at the Owens Station Shooting Center in Sussex County. Currently the Division of Fish and Wildlife has hunter education facilities in New Castle and Kent Counties but lacks a dedicated training facility in Sussex County. Activities to be performed include construction of a new hunter education training center for teaching hunter education courses and providing hunting and hunter education outreach programs. The new facility will allow enhanced opportunities for the public to participate in hunter education certification along with advanced hunter education. It will also allow for hunter recruitment and hunter retention. The first-year objective for this program is to build a new hunter education training center in Sussex County.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6572

PROJECT TITLE: CARES Act Administration Funding

CFDA NUMBER: 17.225

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training

Administration

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration has applied to the U.S. Department of Unemployment Insurance for \$2,810,000 for a one-year grant period of the CARES Act Administration grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 1.55 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The grant is to provide assistance in four CARES Act program areas (Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) and in Section 2105 First Week of Funding of the CARES Act) to include any lingering appeals or findings; civil and criminal investigations related to fraudulent claims; and to ensure the ongoing data integrity to address any reconciliations necessary involving CARES Act benefits. The funding is intended to assist Delaware to cover ongoing administrative costs related to reporting, data retention, audit-related and oversight activities, efforts to detect, establish and recover overpayments, and financial reconciliation efforts associated with the PUA, PEUC, FPUC and First week of funding.

This year's objectives include the following:

• Facilitate detection and recovery of overpayments;

• Address reconciliation and return of recovered funds to the correct trust fund to be utilized properly; and

• Improve the UI PERFORMS Recovery Measure.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6577

PROJECT TITLE: Invasive Species Research and Management - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 10.678

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA), Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$32,143 for a five-year grant period of the Invasive Species Research and Management – IIJA grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) provides State and Private Forestry (S&PF) funding, supplemental to core program areas, specifically for state lead forestry agencies to meet performance goals/measures of success contained within their 2020 State Forest Action Plan. The 2020 Delaware SFAP consists of two parts—the Delaware Forest Resource Assessment and the Delaware Statewide Forest Strategy. The assessment was completed under the guidance of the Delaware Forest Stewardship Committee and with input from a variety of other stakeholders. It identifies the most current priority issues, threats, and opportunities regarding Delaware's forest resource, both rural and urban. Additionally, priority urban and rural landscapes were identified in the assessment using a detailed GIS analysis.

Delaware is medium-high to high on the social vulnerability Index from the US Forest Service. Delaware Forest Service goal is to fund to specific projects and communities statewide that have an immediate impact and assist in managing invasive species and their deleterious effects.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Work with communities to implement projects that address and highlight the benefits of trees;
- Continue monitoring for forest pests (including plants), both invasive and native;
- Assist at least 50 new forest landowners in the rural priority area and five community leaders and civic associations; and
- Provide forest and tree management information to new landowners, homeowners, and homeowner associations.

7. SAI NUMBER: 5716 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Lums Pond Cabins

CFDA NUMBER: 15.916

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service for an additional \$1,975,000 for a three-year grant period of the Lums Pond Cabins grant, and this is the first year of the project. This amendment brings the total federal support to \$6,075,000. There is an additional required state match of \$1,975,000 bringing the total state match to \$6,075,00 and the total overall project support to \$12,150,000. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The National Park Service's Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) provides matching grants to states and local governments for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. These funds will be used to build cabins for overnight cabin camping opportunities at Lums Pond State Park in New Castle County, Delaware. There are currently no opportunities for extended stay visits at Lums Pond. These cabins will allow visitors to enjoy the park's offerings for longer periods of time.

DNREC requested an amendment to the original LWCF grant that would allow construction of additional cabins that would allow the option of completing up to 14-cabins in the complex under one contract. Using the same estimates in the original application, additional funding was awarded. The project has received all necessary permits and bids were opened on November 8, 2024. The bids for the project included a base bid for 8 cabins as approved in the original Clearinghouse authorization and alternate pricing for additional cabins.

Program objectives include the following:

- Provide park visitors opportunities for extended stay visits;
- Increase long-term benefits to park visitors through increased opportunities for selfcare, better health and well-being, and shared experiences with friends and family;
- Begin phase 2 of the project in late 2024 to provide additional pondside cabins.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6524

PROJECT TITLE: Victims of Crime Assistance Grant (VOCA)

CFDA NUMBER: 16.575

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime for \$4,499,806 for a four-year grant period for the

Victims of Crime Assistance Grant, and this is the 36th year of the project. A required contribution from local and non-profit agencies of \$1,068,704 brings the total project support to \$5,568,510. This grant requires 2.60 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Criminal Justice Council will utilize these funds to provide direct services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assaults, child abuse and underserved crimes. The Victim Services Advisory Committee and the Criminal Justice Council Funding Committee will select subrecipients to receive grant funding and will subaward most of the funds to further the mission and provide aid to the community. A subaward will be given to the Delaware State Police to support victims' services projects, and additional subgrantees have not yet been determined for this round of federal funding.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Award 10 percent of the funds to support services to victims of domestic violence;
- Award 10 percent of the funds to support services to victims of sexual assault;
- Award 10 percent of the funds to support services to victims of child abuse; and
- Award 10 percent of the funds to address victims of underserved crimes.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6573

PROJECT TITLE: High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program

CFDA NUMBER: 95.001

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice has applied to the U.S. Executive Office of the President for \$96,000 for a one-year grant period for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program grant, and this is the 10th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The HIDTA program provides funds to reduce drug trafficking and drug production in the United States by facilitating cooperation among federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to share information and implement coordinated enforcement activities; enhancing law enforcement intelligence sharing among agencies; and supporting coordinated law enforcement strategies. This year's objective is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs by dismantling drug trafficking and/or money laundering operations.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6574

PROJECT TITLE: Internet Crimes Against Children

CFDA NUMBER: 16.543

APPLICANT: Legal, Department of Justice

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Legal, Department of Justice has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for \$342,764 for a one-year period of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) grant, and this is the 18th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 2.00 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

ICAC funds enable the Delaware Child Predator Task Force, a unit within the Department of Justice, to identify, investigate, arrest, and successfully prosecute online sexual predators. This year's objectives are to continue proactive online investigations and to continue outreach and education within the community regarding the prevention of online child sexual exploitation.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6353

PROJECT TITLE: Vocational Rehabilitation- Blind (Basic Support)

CFDA NUMBER: 84.126

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Visually Impaired

Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Visually Impaired Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$1,650,247 for a one-year period of the Vocational Rehabilitation - Blind (Basic Support) grant, and the 74th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$456,500 brings the total project support to \$2,106,747. This project requires 10.00 NSF and 2.38 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides for a coordinated set of activities to facilitate positive employment outcomes for individuals identified as having a primary disability of visual impairment. These services include assessment/evaluation, educational/vocational training and rehabilitation counseling, assistive technological services, interpreter services, and disability related augmentative services.

- Provide quality Pre-employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS) to students with visual impairments by increasing partnerships with providers who the services as well as student participation in both internal and external programs;
- Enhance employer and community partnerships that lead to competitive, integrated employment for individuals with visual impairments by increasing employer awareness of visual impairments;

- Increase awareness and improve access to DVI services by increasing outreach to underserved communities and organizing outreach teams to ensure DVI participation in activities; and
- Provide quality entrepreneurial opportunities in the Business Enterprise Program by increasing consumer choice and exposure to the program for student and adult VR consumers and engaging BEP operators in the VR process.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6357

PROJECT TITLE: Independent Living Services for Older Individuals Who Are

Blind

CFDA NUMBER: 84.177

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Visually Impaired

Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Visually Impaired Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for \$225,000 for a one-year period of the Independent Living Services for Older Individuals Who are Blind program, and this is the 35th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$266,487 brings the total project support to \$481,487. This project requires 1.75 NSF and 3.00 GF FTEs which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This funding supports the provision of independent living skills training, adaptive daily living skills aids and appliances, peer support, low vision services and information and referral to individuals 55 and older, with visual impairments. The desired outcome is to prevent and/or delay the need for high cost institutional or supported living care by extending active life expectancy.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Increase services to older adults with visual impairments by 5 percent;
- Ensure 85 percent of those served achieve their independent living goals;
- Ensure 15 percent of those served represent minority populations;
- Direct service personnel will receive at least 10 hours of in-service training related specifically to vision loss and independent living needs of the elderly visually impaired on an annual basis; and
- Group trainings/workshops will be hosted for consumers and caregivers.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6494

PROJECT TITLE: Access and Visitation Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.597

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, State Service

Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$100,000 for a one-year period of the Access and Visitation Program grant, and this is the 30th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$11,111 brings the total project support to \$111,111. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, two casual/seasonal positions are supported by this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

These funds provide for the operation of five satellite Family Visitation Centers. The centers provide safe settings where children can maintain or re-establish a relationship with a nonresidential parent. The goal of family visitation centers is to protect the children's safety, support and facilitate non-residential parents' access to and visitation of their children and protect the safety of the at-risk parents while providing for meaningful visitation. In federal fiscal year 2023, 662 parents/legal guardians and 400 children received access and visitation services. This year's objective is to continue to collect data and annually report information for the custodial and noncustodial parent via the State Child Access and Visitation Program Survey.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6512

PROJECT TITLE: Tuberculosis Elimination and Laboratory Cooperative

CFDA NUMBER: 93.116

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$366,632 for a one-year grant period of the Tuberculosis (TB) Elimination and Laboratory Cooperative grant, and this is the 43rd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.00 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The TB Elimination and Laboratory Cooperative grant provides TB services (screening, testing, treatment and case management) to residents and visitors of all three counties in Delaware.

- Increase the number of new TB cases detected by 15%;
- Achieve a 90% case detection rate among high-risk populations (e.g., people living with HIV);
- Achieve an 85% treatment success rate for new and relapse TB cases; and
- Ensure that 100% of patients diagnosed with multidrug-resistant TB start appropriate treatment within two weeks of diagnosis.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6538

PROJECT TITLE: Senior Community Service Employment Program

CFDA NUMBER: 17.235

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging

and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/

Community Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training administration for \$1,651,743 for a one-year period for the Senior Community Service Employment Program, and this is the 26th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$183,262 brings the total project support to \$1,831,452. This project requires 0.75 NSF and 0.25 GF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides subsidized community service work experience, job skills training, job search assistance and supportive services for low-income Delawareans ages 55 and over. The program's goals are to support community service and economic self-sufficiency.

This year's objectives are to provide subsidized training using 175 authorized positions to attain a goal of 154 unduplicated Delawareans who are 55 and over, and within 125 percent of the poverty level.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6544

PROJECT TITLE: AmeriCorps State Formula Funds

CFDA NUMBER: 94.006

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services,

State Service Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to the Corporation for National and Community Service for \$212,382 for a one-year grant period of the AmeriCorps State Formula grant, and this is the 30th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Funds are used to support AmeriCorps members build volunteer capacity and address critical needs in Delaware in the areas of education, environmental stewardship, and healthy futures. These funds will support two planning grants and one operational grant. The planning grants will provide support to develop AmeriCorps programs that will identify internal service and gaps and opportunities to improve existing services. The operational grant will support AmeriCorps members and will focus on mentoring and

tutoring students who have attended or completed secondary school in Delaware and are affected by the educational achievement gap, helping to reduce barriers to graduation.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6545

PROJECT TITLE: AmeriCorps State Formula Fixed Amount

CFDA NUMBER: 94.066

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services,

State Service Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to AmeriCorps Cooperation for National and Community Service for \$1,020,519 for a three-year grant period of the AmeriCorps State Formula Fixed Amount grant, and this is the 5th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This funding will support six operating programs that will include 79 AmeriCorps members who will improve literacy and socio/economic outcomes for economically disadvantaged children through a school-based program; create advanced healthcare planning for Delaware families; support underrepresented high school students of color with academic enrichment and college preparatory skills; and provide health/social service navigation support for low-income Delawareans.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6546

PROJECT TITLE: AmeriCorps State Competitive

CFDA NUMBER: 94.006

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services,

State Service Centers

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services, State Service Centers has applied to the Corporation for National and Community Service for \$190,353 for a three-year period of the AmeriCorps State Competitive grant, and this is the 28th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant will support the Summer Learning Collaborative. Funds will be used to support AmeriCorps members who commit to one year of stipend services to build volunteer capacity and address critical needs in Delaware in the focus area of education. This year's objectives include recruiting 36 AmeriCorps members who will lead literacy intervention sessions in community-based agencies throughout Delaware and leverage 10 volunteers who will be engaged in supporting the intervention as teaching assistants.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6499

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer - Benefits

CFDA NUMBER: 10.646

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social

Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services for \$9,720,000 for a one-year grant period of the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer – Program Benefits grant, and this is the second year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) grant provides grocery buying benefits to low-income families with school-aged children while schools are closed during the summer months. Summer EBT benefits are preloaded onto EBT cards for eligible families to purchase healthy and nutritious food at grocery stores, farmer's markets, and online retailers that accept EBT.

The Summer EBT Program Benefits will provide \$120 for the summer period (\$40 per month) in food assistance to approximately 81,000 eligible children across the State of Delaware for benefits in the summer of 2025. A total of up to \$9,720,000.00 would be delivered to families to improve food security for children in Delaware.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6433

PROJECT TITLE: Environmental Review and Technical Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 15.634

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$455,000 for the eighth year of the Environmental Review and Technical Assistance grant. A required state contribution of \$245,000 brings the total project support to \$700,000. This project requires 0.01 NSF and 0.16 GF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to conduct environmental reviews and provide technical assistance on protection, restoration, planning and development projects that may affect wildlife, particularly Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) and Habitats of Conservation Concern (HCC). Over 430 solicitations for environmental review and technical assistance are received each year.

- Review approximately 550 projects or plans annually and provide recommendations;
- Maintain an existing environmental review tracking system using GIS and an Access database throughout the grant period or until a new system is developed to replace the existing outdated system;
- Research and develop a web-based mapping portal and project tracking system to facilitate submission of requests and turnaround time in responses;
- Fulfill technical assistance requests for ecological assessment of project sites by assessing needs and assigning staff biologists with expert knowledge of different species/species groups and habitats, and preparing reports of recommendations for requesting entities; and
- Participate on at least four interagency technical committees and provide subject matter expertise on species and habitats.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6463

PROJECT TITLE: Pollinator Species of Greatest Conservation Need Inventory

and Conservation

CFDA NUMBER: 15.634

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$312,650 for a five-year grant period of the Pollinator Species of Greatest Conservation Need Inventory and Conservation grant, and this is the fourth year of the project. A required state contribution of \$168,350 brings the total project support to \$481,000. This project requires 0.09 GF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The purpose of this grant is to collect baseline inventory data on pollinator Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN), restore habitat for the benefit of frosted elfin, collect up-to-date information on other rare insect SGCN, and investigate native plant species that can be used to enhance supporting these species.

- Conduct 300 bee surveys;
- Conduct 150 hoverfly surveys;
- Conduct 50 butterfly surveys.
- Conduct 50 tiger beetle surveys;
- Conduct 300 firefly surveys;
- Conduct 50 surveys for rare or State Endangered Species; and
- Provide technical assistance to 3 partner organizations for the conservation and management of SGCN.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6464

PROJECT TITLE: National and Regional Conservation Coordination

CFDA NUMBER: 15.634

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$140,777 for a five-year grant period for the National and Regional Conservation Coordination program, and this is the tenth year of the project. A required state contribution of \$75,803 brings the total program support to \$216,580. This program requires 0.02 NSF and 0.08 GF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides funds for DNREC staff to serve on regional and national committees and technical workgroups and provide technical expertise to these groups. Activities include developing regional classifications, monitoring and/or data collection protocols and planning documents. The objectives over the five-year grant period include to participate in 50 national, regional, and local meetings, and workshops to contribute to Delaware's perspective in conservation planning and implementation.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6581

PROJECT TITLE: Delmarva Fox Squirrel Conservation Plan Implementation

CFDA NUMBER: 15.634

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife has applied to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service for \$545,160 for a five-year grant period of the Delmarva Fox Squirrel Conservation Plan Implementation and the second year of the project. A required state contribution of \$181,720 brings the total program support to \$726,880. There are 1.17 NSF and 0.10 GF FTEs associated with this grant, which are included in the department's authorized compliment. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides funding to increase and sustain Delmarva Fox Squirrel (DFS) populations in Delaware with the ultimate goal of recovering the species so that it can removed from the State's endangered species list and the Species of Greatest Conservation Need list in the Delaware Wildlife Action Plan.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Conduct 30 trapping events;
- Conduct radio telemetry with 50 squirrels;
- Conduct photo monitoring at 20 sites;
- Create one plan for habitat management to benefit DFS;
- Conduct 10 mast surveys;
- Manage or create 8 databases;
- Participate on 2 technical committees;
- Provide technical assistance to 6 organizations; and
- Inform/communicate with 3,000 individuals regarding DFS.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6556

PROJECT TITLE: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

CFDA NUMBER: 30.001

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Industrial Affairs, Anti-Discrimination

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Labor, Industrial Affairs, Anti-Discrimination has applied to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for \$373,500 for a one-year grant period of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) grant, and this is the 52nd year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 3.00 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of the EEOC is to assist Delaware in meeting its statutory mandate to enforce Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) of 1967, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA). In cooperation with EEOC, the Division of Industrial Affairs ensures the employment rights of individuals through the investigation of discrimination charges and shares charge resolutions with the federal government. This year's objectives are to process 450 Title VII ADEA, ADA and GINA cases and complete 10 intakes.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6137 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: State Apprenticeship Expansion

CFDA NUMBER: 17.285

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment

and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for an additional \$422,543 for a two-year grant period of the State Apprenticeship Expansion Formula (SAEF) grant program. This amendment brings the

total project support to \$759,645. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.20 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

SAEF funds are used by states to support state capacity and state planning to create new and expand existing apprenticeship programs. The State Apprenticeship Expansion Formula grant will fund the Teacher Apprenticeship Pilot program-Wilmington University, Pre-Registered Apprenticeship Marketing program-Urban Media Literacy and Pre-Registered Apprenticeship Heavy Truck Driver program-Wheels on the road.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Serve 47 participants with 24 becoming a Registered Apprentices;
- Create 9 new Registered Apprentices Programs; and
- Create 9 new Registered Pre-Apprenticeship Programs.

19. SAI NUMBER: 6571

PROJECT TITLE: National Fire Academy Training Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 97.043

APPLICANT: Fire Prevention Commission, State Fire School

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Fire Prevention Commission, State Fire School has applied to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for \$20,000 for a one-year grant period and the 22nd year of the National Fire Academy Training Grant. A discretionary state contribution of \$60 brings the total project support to \$20,060. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, a casual seasonal position works on this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides funds to allow the State Fire School to conduct specifically earmarked National Fire Academy training programs in addition to those already provided by the Academy to the Fire Service of Delaware.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Delivery of National Fire Academy hand-off courses in state and local areas;
- Delivery of Incident Command System courses; and
- Delivery of selected National Fire Academy regional, resident and direct delivery courses.

20. SAI NUMBER: 6584

PROJECT TITLE: Child Nutrition Program Technology Innovation

CFDA NUMBER: 10.541

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Student Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education (DOE), Student Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Services for \$746,268 for a four-year grant period for the Child Nutrition Program Technology Innovation Grant, and this is the second year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will support the development, improvement, and maintenance of information technology systems used to manage all Child Nutrition programs. This includes: the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, the Summer Food Service Program, and the Child and Adult Food Care Program. DOE currently contracts with EMS LINQ, Inc. to host online platforms, which is used by all child nutrition programs to manage data, claims, and compliance reporting.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Completing annual database maintenance by vendor EMS LINQ, Inc.;
- Revise all system modules to meet USDA requirements;
- Purchase 7 tablets to use for program monitoring; and
- Convert all program forms into a digital format.

21. SAI NUMBER: 6587

PROJECT TITLE: Head Start Collaboration Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 94.600

APPLICANT: Department of Education, Early Childhood Support

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Education, Early Childhood Support has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for \$125,000 for a one-year period of the Head Start Collaboration grant, and this is the 28th year of this project. A required state contribution of \$31,518 brings the total project support to \$156,518. This project requires 0.75 NSF and 0.30 GF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project facilitates collaboration among Head Start and Early Head Start agencies and entities that carry out activities designed to benefit low-income children from birth to school entry and their families.

- Representing the Head Start Program Performance Standards in the State's quality indicators for early learning;
- Ensuring that all licensed programs have access to supports of the Delaware Quality Improvement Initiatives, with an emphasis on evidence-based practice implementation; and
- Ensuring that Head Start will be represented in meetings and that the populations served receive comprehensive, cohesive standards.

22. SAI NUMBER: 6552

PROJECT TITLE: Return to Learn Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 93.243

APPLICANT: Colonial School District

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Colonial School District has applied to the Department of Health and Social Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for \$696,222 for a five-year grant period for the Return to Learn grant, and this is the second year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There is 1.00 NSF FTE associated with this grant which is within the District's authorized unit count. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

Colonial School District will utilize the Project AWARE Return to Learn program to provide mental health supports to targeted groups of students currently placed in alternative settings, with the goal of reducing the students time away from school. These groups are identified to be at an elevated risk of suicide based on several factors, such as a history of mental illness, criminal behavior, substance use/abuse, and a history of violent or high conflict relationships. Such students will receive support during alternative placements outside of their home school and monitoring to ensure he/she is connected to mental health supports which address the root cause that led to their alternative placement. Colonial School District will provide mental health supports to these students through partnerships with the Delaware Department of Education, Delaware Division of Prevention of Behavioral Health Services, and local community partner Children and Families First.

- Decrease the average amount of time targeted students spend away from their home school, including ensuring that 80 percent of students interact with a mental health provider on a weekly basis, 75 percent of alternatively placed students return to their home school at the end of the following marking period, 75 percent of homebound students return to their home school within 6 weeks, and 90 percent of students receiving mental health services return to their home school within 1 week of their Return to Learn meeting;
- Increase the number of targeted students who are connected to school-based mental health services within 30 days of their return to their home school, including, 95 percent of targeted students participating in a Return to Learn meeting, 85 percent of target students utilizing school-based mental health supports as part of their Return to Learn plan, and 80 percent of targeted students accessing school-based mental health supports as part of their Return to Learn plan within 30 days of returning to their home school; and
- Increase the number of targeted students who do not need to be removed from their home school for an extended period of time, including 90 percent of students reporting having supports to address the root cause of their placement outside their home school, 90 percent of targeted students not being removed from their home school upon their return from alternative placement, and 75 percent of targeted



Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee December 26, 2024

The December 17, 2024, meeting of the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for November projects was called to order by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III, at 10:01 a.m. at 411 Legislative Ave., Legislative Hall, Joint Finance Committee Meeting Room, Dover, DE.

The following members were in attendance:

The Honorable W. Charles Paradee, III, Senator

The Honorable Kimberly Williams, Representative, via Zoom

The Honorable Stephanie Hansen, Senator, via Zoom

The Honorable Charles Postles, Jr., Representative, via Zoom

The Honorable Stephanie Bolden, Representative, via Zoom

The Honorable Ruth Ann Miller, Controller General

Chuck Clark, Proxy, Department of Finance, via Zoom

Michelle Strauss, Proxy, Department of State, via Zoom

Courtney Stewart, Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, via Zoom

I. New Business

6603, Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer – Technology
 Jessica Horn and Joanne Sunga, Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

2. <u>6591, Adoption of Latest & Zero Building Energy Codes</u>
Thomas Noyes, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control,
Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

3. <u>6569, Community Facility Grant</u>
Jimmy Kroon, Department of Agriculture, Administrative

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

4. 6609, Forest Resiliency - IRA

Chris Miller, Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

A MOTION was made by Representative Kimberly Williams, seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve this project. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Continued Items:

- 1. 6578 State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers
- 2. 6583 Project Safe Neighborhoods
- 3. 6586 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant
- 4. 6419 Amendment Medicare Improvements for Patients & Providers State Health Insurance Assistance Program
- 5. 6607 Fair Housing Assistance Program
- 6. 6153 Amendment State Lead-Based Paint Program
- 6333 Amendment Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program
- 8. 6530 Delaware Public Water System Supervision
- 9. 6589 Sexual Violence Prevention and Education
- 10. <u>6613 Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmers' Market Nutrition Program Administration</u>
- 11. <u>6614 Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmers' Market Nutrition Program –</u> Food
- 12. 6498 Underground Injection Control
- 13. 6593 Disabled Veterans Outreach Program
- 14. 6595 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Youth
- 15. 6596 Work Opportunity Tax Credit
- 16. 6597 Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Services
- 17. 6598 Foreign Labor Certification
- 18. 6599 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Adult
- 19. 6600 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Dislocated Worker
- 20. 6601 Trade Adjustment Assistance
- 21. 6548 Forest Legacy Administration
- 22. 6562 Agricultural Conservation Easement Program
- 23. 6605 Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey-Infrastructure
- 24. 6606 Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey Fire Ant Survey
- 25. 6611 State Forest Action Plan IIJA
- 26. <u>6612 State Fire Assistance IIJA</u>

A MOTION was made by Representative Charles Postles, Jr., seconded by Senator Stephanie Hansen, to approve Continued Business Items 1-26. The MOTION passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m. by Senator W. Charles Paradee, III. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Carla Cassell-Carter

Director, Budget Development and Planning

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Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee Meeting December 17, 2024 Application Summary

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6603

PROJECT TITLE: Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer – Technology

CFDA NUMBER: 10.541

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$1,100,000 for a four-year grant period of the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer – Technology grant, and this is the first year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be used to assist with the technology costs associated with the current System Support, Contractor costs. This year's objective is to improve and maintain automated information technology systems to allow access for the approximately 80,000 children across Delaware who are eligible to apply for and receive Summer EBT benefit issuances. These improvements include eligibility system functionality, client notifications, online application, batches for processing benefits and system interfaces.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6591

PROJECT TITLE: Adoption of Latest and Zero Building Energy Codes

CFDA NUMBER: 81.117

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate,

Coastal, and Energy

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Climate, Coastal, and Energy has applied to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for \$6,916,264 for an 11-year grant period of the Adoption of the Latest and Zero Building Energy Conservation Codes and the first year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 1.57 NSF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The U.S. DOE has administered formula funding grants to states and units of local government with the authority to adopt building energy codes to adopt the latest model code, residential buildings and commercial buildings, or other codes that achieve

equivalent or greater energy savings. The requested funding would cover developing an implementation plan, engaging stakeholders, adopting the codes, compensating DNREC for staff work, and developing and administering training for code officials. \$3.4 million would be passed to counties and municipalities that adopt the code to aid in compliance and enforcement activities. These codes would only affect new construction in the State of Delaware.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6569

PROJECT TITLE: Community Facility Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 10.766

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Administrative

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Administrative has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Housing Service for \$866,000 for a two-year grant period of the Community Facility Grant, and this is the first year of the program. Delaware State University (DSU) will provide in-kind match of \$20,366. There are no positions funded through this project. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This project intends to develop an incubator farm on DSU property to expand programs focused on providing inexperienced individuals with in-field farming education. This project will work in conjunction with the DSU Farm School Program and will encourage participants to hone their farming skills and gain hands-on experience.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Creation of an incubator farm and eight high tunnels;
- Expanding the DSU Farm School program; and
- Increase the interesting in farming to socially disadvantaged populations.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6609

PROJECT TITLE: Forest Resiliency - IRA

CFDA NUMBER: 10.731

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Inflation Reduction Act for \$2,500,000 for a five-year grant period of the Forest Resiliency grant, and this is the first year of the program. There is no state match requirement. There are no positions funded through this project. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant allows Forest Service to provide cost share payments to Delaware landowners in order to implement practices that focus on mitigating climate change and increasing forest resiliency. These practices will be selected from the Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science (NIACS) carbon adaptation menu. Underserved landowners will be

prioritized and will receive 40-100 percent of the cost of selected practices, while other landowners will only receive up to 90 percent.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. SAI NUMBER: 6578

PROJECT TITLE: State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis

Centers

CFDA NUMBER: 16.550

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Statistical Analysis Center

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Statistical Analysis Center has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics for \$75,000 for a one-year grant period of the State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers grant, and this is the 29th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, one casual/seasonal position is supported by this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers will support a cooperative agreement to maintain and enhance Delaware's capacity to address criminal justice issues through the collection and analysis of data.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Explore and evaluate necessary software, procedures, policies and data needed to integrate the SAC's databases with potential new data systems, as well as creating sustainable databases;
- Participate in a taskforce for upgrading data systems for Criminal Justice data; and
- Discover ways to mine, compile and integrate data from current systems in a less labor intensive way using programming and/or new software options.

2. SAI NUMBER: 6583

PROJECT TITLE: Project Safe Neighborhoods

CFDA NUMBER: 16.609

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for \$90,193 for a three-year grant period for the Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) grant, and this is the 25th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This grant requires 0.07 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The PSN grant is a nationwide program that networks federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to reduce violent gun crimes in targeted areas. These funds will be used to continue providing funding to Dover Police Department for overtime to increase patrols, both foot and vehicle, in the high crime neighborhoods. A community outreach portion of the PSN grant will continue to be Neighbor Good, which will provide two Community Interventionist's who will work with other PSN Partners. This community outreach program will work with citizens and police to build better and stronger relationships in the community. These relationships will be sustained beyond the federal grant funding. Delaware State University will continue to provide program evaluation showing a significant reduction in overall crime and specifically gang and firearm violence.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Allocate travel funds for technical assistance workshops and training sessions;
- Provide overtime funds for Dover Police Department Officers to patrol areas of high crime; and
- Foster effective and sustainable changes in the community to prevent violent behavior.

3. SAI NUMBER: 6586

PROJECT TITLE: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

CFDA NUMBER: 16.738

APPLICANT: Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Executive, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Council has applied to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for \$923,744 for a two-year grant period for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, and this is the 20th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 0.92 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant is designed to assist state and local governments improve the functionality of the criminal justice system. In doing so, this program focuses on law enforcement; prosecution, defense and courts; prevention and education; corrections and community corrections; drug treatment; and planning, evaluation and technology improvement for State and local governments.

- Assist the Sentencing Accountability Commission by providing funds for supplies and maintaining the bench book;
- Support the Statistical Analysis Center to maintain and gather data for criminal justice system improvements;
- Provide funding to sub-grantees through a competitive bid process; and
- Provide local law enforcement agencies with one-year funding for programs and or equipment.

4. SAI NUMBER: 6419 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - State

Health Insurance Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.071

APPLICANT: Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of

Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty

REVIEW/COMMENT:

Other Elective, Insurance Commissioner, Bureau of Examination, Rehabilitation and Guaranty has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living for \$36,120 for a one-year period of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act - State Health Insurance Assistance Program. This amendment clarifies that there is no required state contribution. This grant requires 0.40 NSF FTE which are included in the department's authorized budget complement and were previously budgeted; however there are no ASF personnel associated with this grant as clarified in this amendment. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program provides funds for the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) within the Insurance Commissioner's office. SHIP provides education and outreach to beneficiaries likely to be eligible for, but not currently receiving, federal and state benefits raging from income supplements, energy assistance and health care assistance. Services will be provided through one-on-one counseling sessions, outreach, and education at various public forums statewide.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Target individuals likely to be eligible for the Low-Income Subsidy program, Medicare Savings Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Part D) and in assisting beneficiaries in applying for benefits; and
- Conduct targeted community outreach to beneficiaries in public forums to increase understanding of Medicare program benefits and raise awareness of preventative benefits.

5. SAI NUMBER: 6607

PROJECT TITLE: Fair Housing Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 14.401

APPLICANT: Department of State, Human and Civil Rights

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of State, Human and Civil Rights has applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity for \$210,322 of a six-year grant period of the Fair Housing Assistance Program, and this is the 42nd year of the project. There is no required state match. This

project requires 1.00 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The intent of the Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP) is to reduce unlawful housing discrimination through enforcement of fair housing laws, education, and outreach to the citizens of Delaware. This year, 23 cases will be processed.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Enforce fair housing laws;
- Perform outreach and education and of rights and responsibilities to targeted communities;
- Process complaints of housing discrimination in a timely manner;
- Training and professional development of staff and Commissioners; and
- Further fair housing and eliminate barriers to fair housing choices in Delaware.

6. SAI NUMBER: 6153 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: State Lead-Based Paint Program

CFDA NUMBER: 66.605

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention for an additional \$275,523 for a one-year period of the State Lead-Based Paint Program grant, and this is the 28th year of the program. This amendment brings the total project support to \$617,653. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement and were previously budgeted. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

Funds will be used to eliminate lead poisoning, particularly in children under the age of six. Program activities include establishing and expanding lead-safe workplace and practices, supporting lead poisoning outreach and education, and supporting enforcement activities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Lead-Based Paint Enforcement Activities to perform 50 audits of certified firms and training providers;
- Enhancement of the web-based certification application processing system; and
- Expansion of compliance assistance activities to the certified community to increase education and awareness.

7. SAI NUMBER: 6333 Amendment

PROJECT TITLE: Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program

CFDA NUMBER: 93.566

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Social Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for an additional \$3,910,608 for a two-year grant period for the Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program, and this is the 43rd year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This amendment brings the total project support to \$9,831,060. This grant requires 0.50 NSF FTE which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

This grant provides social services, cash and medical assistance to refugees settling in Delaware. The purpose is to aid effective resettlement and rapid economic self-sufficiency.

The number of refugee arrivals in the country is determined by the federal government; refugees may also be entering this program as secondary migrants to Delaware from other states. The program expects to work with approximately 3,000 refugees during Fiscal Year 2025.

8. SAI NUMBER: 6530

PROJECT TITLE: Delaware Public Water System Supervision

CFDA NUMBER: 66.432

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for \$686,935 for a one-year period of the Delaware Public Water System Supervision grant, and this is the 50th year of the program. A required state contribution of \$506,208 brings the total project support to \$1,193,143. This project requires 7.50 NSF and 5.90 GF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this grant is to ensure that safe drinking water is provided by all public drinking water systems in Delaware through a comprehensive program of compliance monitoring and technical assistance.

- Ensure 95 percent of people served by community water systems will receive water that meets all health-based standards;
- Assist water systems to provide public notification in a timely and appropriate manner;
- Continue efforts of the Office of Drinking Water to improve internal processes by implementing standard operating procedures; and

• Coordinate efforts with the third-party Safe Drinking Water Information System support contractor to upgrade the system and implement electronic reporting of water samples.

9. SAI NUMBER: 6589

PROJECT TITLE: Sexual Violence Prevention and Education

CFDA NUMBER: 93.136

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Social Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for \$250,286 for a one-year grant period of the Sexual Violence Prevention and Education grant, and this is the 24th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

Grant funds will be used to implement primary prevention strategies to prevent sexual violence. This includes conducting prevention programs throughout the State and engaging in public awareness activities.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Implement sexual violence prevention strategies using a public health approach;
- Facilitate increased use of evaluation and surveillance data at state and local levels to further understand potential impacts of outer-layer programs and policy efforts being implemented;
- Engage stakeholders in planning and capacity-building to facilitate integration of prevention into state planning and infrastructure to ensure sustainability of efforts;
- Align Rape Prevention and Education efforts with complementary efforts in Delaware; and
- Reduce rates of sexual violence perpetration and victimization through utilization of a public health approach.

10. SAI NUMBER: 6613

PROJECT TITLE: Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmers' Market

Nutrition Program – Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 10.572

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$46,525 for a one-year grant period of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmer's Market

Nutrition Program (FMNP) – Administration grant, and this is the 12th year of the project. A total of \$273,678 was applied for and is split between two activities, SAI 6613 Administration (\$46,525) and SAI 6614 Food (\$227,153). A required state contribution of \$22,980 brings the total project support to \$69,505. There is 0.34 GF FTE associated with this portion of the grant which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program is designed to provide fresh fruits and vegetables to eligible WIC participants and to expand the use of local farmers' markets. Eligible WIC participants will receive \$30 to buy produce at authorized Delaware farmers' markets. Participants will also be provided with the nutrition education at the time they receive the benefit. The division of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture will work in partnership to offer this program.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Certify and provide training to 26 farmers' markets in Delaware;
- Provide FMNP benefits to 7,000 WIC participants; and
- Provide nutrition education to all program participants.

11. SAI NUMBER: 6614

PROJECT TITLE: Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmers' Market

Nutrition Program – Food

CFDA NUMBER: 10.572

APPLICANT: Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health,

Community Health

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health, Community Health has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service for \$227,153 for a one-year grant period of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (FMNP), and this is the 12th year of the project. A total of \$273,678 was applied for and is split between two activities, SAI 6613 Administration (\$46,525) and SAI 6614 Food (\$227,153). There is no required state match. There are no positions associated with this portion of the grant. Audit fees have been budgeted, and indirect costs are not applicable.

This program is designed to provide fresh fruits and vegetables to eligible WIC participants and to expand the use of local farmers' markets. Eligible WIC participants will receive \$30 to buy produce at authorized Delaware farmers' markets. Participants will also be provided with the nutrition education at the time they receive the benefit. The division of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture will work in partnership to offer this program.

- Certify and provide training to 26 farmers' markets in Delaware;
- Provide FMNP benefits to 7,000 WIC participants; and
- Provide nutrition education to all program participants.

12. SAI NUMBER: 6498

PROJECT TITLE: Underground Injection Control

CFDA NUMBER: 66.433

APPLICANT: Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Office of Environmental Protection, Water

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Office of Environmental Protection, Water has applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for \$48,000 for a two-year grant period of the Underground Injection Control grant, and this is the 40th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$18,759 brings the total project support to \$66,759. This grant requires 0.50 NSF, 0.05 GF, and 0.10 ASF FTEs which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

Delaware's Underground Injection Control (UIC) program is a Source Water Protection Program that regulates underground injection wells as defined under federal law. The program provides a mechanism for regulation certain activities (waste injection) which might adversely impact groundwater quality. The UIC Program also defines the limits of and risks to groundwater resources.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Review 20 permit applications for large on-site facilities/systems;
- Perform 200 construction inspections and routine compliance inspections of all large on-site facilities/systems facilities in Delaware;
- Report out on any recon inspections to identify automotive floor drains and large capacity cesspools;
- Inspect industrial facilities to determine if they have any unpermitted discharges to groundwater;
- Provide technical assistance to the regulated community as needed to ensure UIC permitted facilities comply with Federal/State Regulations; and
- Conduct workshops and public outreach events to educate the regulated community and the public on groundwater protection.

13. SAI NUMBER: 6593

PROJECT TITLE: Disabled Veterans Outreach Program

CFDA NUMBER: 17.801

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Veterans Employment and Training Service for \$581,422 for a two-and-a-half-year grant period of the Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) and this is the 47th year of the project. There is no state match

requirement for this grant. This grant requires 6.00 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

DVOP provides funding to state offices to provide assistance in preferential employment, reemployment and training services to U.S. military veterans who are disabled. Services provided include vocational counseling, provision of labor market and veteran benefit information, referrals and funding for training, resume preparation assistance, job coaching, guidance on job search tools and referrals to job openings and placement.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Obtain a veterans program employment rate of 55 percent for the 2nd Quarter after exiting the program;
- Obtain a veterans program employment rate of 55 percent for the 4th Quarter after exiting the program; and
- Obtain a veteran's program median earnings of \$7,500 for the 2nd Quarter after exiting the program.

14. SAI NUMBER: 6595

PROJECT TITLE: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act - Youth

CFDA NUMBER: 17.259

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$3,525,562 for a three-year grant period of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – Youth program, and this is the 27th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 4.05 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this program is to assist eligible low-income youth who face barriers to employment. Funds provide services and activities which prepare youth for employment and/or post-secondary education in partnership with the WIA One-Stop Career Center Systems under the direction of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Board.

- Increased employment rates measured in the second and fourth quarter after exit;
- Increased median earnings;
- Increased credential attainment; and
- Increased gains in measurable skills.

15. SAI NUMBER: 6596

PROJECT TITLE: Work Opportunity Tax Credit

CFDA NUMBER: 17.271

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration for an additional \$97,077 for a two-year grant period of the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC), and this is the 45th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 0.75 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The WOTC program provides tax credits to employers who hire and maintain employment for hard to place job seekers. Employment and Training Services determines the eligibility of individuals for this program, issues employer certifications and provides other operational support to ensure federal compliance. The continued objective of this program is to provide employment and training services to job seekers and provide certifications to employers eligible for WOTC.

16. SAI NUMBER: 6597

PROJECT TITLE: Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Services

CFDA NUMBER: 17.207

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$2,017,779 for a three-year grant period of the Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Services program, and this is the 91st year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 20.30 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Wager-Peyser Act of 1933 established a federal/state employment service to focus on providing job referral and placement services to job seekers and recruitment services to employers who have job vacancies. The employment service system provides specialized services to veterans, migrant and seasonal farm workers, ex-offenders, persons with disabilities, disadvantaged job seekers, minorities and elderly workers. This year's objective is to place persons in employment by providing a variety of no cost placement related services to job seekers and to employers seeking qualified individuals to fill job openings.

17. SAI NUMBER: 6598

PROJECT TITLE: Foreign Labor Certification

CFDA NUMBER: 17.273

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training (DET), Employment and Training Services applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$65,015 for a three-year grant period of the Foreign Labor Certification grant, and this is the 46th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.25 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program issues labor certification to foreign workers, after determining the availability of U.S. workers and the potential adverse effects on wages and working conditions that the admission of foreign workers might have on similarly employed U.S. workers. DET staff conduct the Occupational Employment Survey and appropriate agricultural surveys to provide wage determination information to employers. In addition, DET staff conduct pre-occupancy inspections of housing to be used for migrant/seasonal workers or non-immigrant foreign workers admitted to the U.S. under temporary labor certification programs.

This year's objectives are to continue to process labor certifications and conduct preoccupancy inspections as required for Foreign Labor Certification.

18. SAI NUMBER: 6599

PROJECT TITLE: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act - Adult

CFDA NUMBER: 17.258

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration for \$3,396,064 for a three-year grant period for the Workforce Investment Act – Adult program, and this is the 26th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This program requires 10.56 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The purpose of this program is to provide quality employment and training services to assist low-income and basic-skill deficient individuals in finding and qualifying for

meaningful employment, while helping employers find the skilled workers that they need. By fulfilling this purpose, the program can improve the quality of the workforce, reduce welfare dependency, and enhance the productivity and competitiveness of the workforce.

This year's objectives include:

- Increase employment rates to 76.5 percent in the second quarter after exit;
- Increase employment rates to 70 percent in the fourth quarter after exit;
- Increase median earnings by \$6000;
- Increase credential attainment to 59 percent; and
- Increase gains in measurable skills by 25 percent.

19. SAI NUMBER: 6600

PROJECT TITLE: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – Dislocated

Worker

CFDA NUMBER: 17.278

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration for \$2,517,108 for a three-year grant period for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – Dislocated Worker program, and this is the 26th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 10.86 NSF FTEs, which are included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This program provides staff assisted career and training services to eligible individuals who have been qualified as a dislocated worker. Dislocated workers are individuals who have been terminated or laid off or have received notification of termination or lay-off and are not likely to return to their previous industry or occupation. The WIA – Dislocated Worker program allows these individuals to gain employment as quickly as possible and provides other services or other circumstances specified by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor.

This year's objectives include:

• Obtain a 71 percent employment rate second quarter after exit;

• Obtain a 71 percent employment rate fourth quarter after exit; and

• Achieve a 65 percent Credential Attainment.

20. SAI NUMBER: 6601

PROJECT TITLE: Trade Adjustment Assistance

CFDA NUMBER: 17.245

APPLICANT: Department of Labor, Employment and Training,

Employment and Training Services

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Services has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration for \$100,000 for a three-year grant period of the Trade Adjustment Assistance program, and this is the 13th year of the project. There is no required state contribution. This project requires 1.50 NSF FTEs, which are already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The Trade Adjustment Assistance program offers a variety of benefits and services to support workers who have lost their jobs because of foreign trade. Services provided include job training, income support, job search and relocation allowances, a tax credit to help pay the cost of health insurance, and a wage supplement to certain unemployed workers 50 years of age and older.

21. SAI NUMBER: 6548

PROJECT TITLE: Forest Legacy Administration

CFDA NUMBER: 10.676

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$50,000 for a six-year grant period of the Forest Legacy program, and this is the 16th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$13,147 brings the total project support to \$63,147. This grant requires 0.11 GF FTE which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

Delaware will use the grant funds to administer the Federal Forest Legacy Program (FLP) under the State Grant Option. The funds will be used to contract specific acquisition activities and/or provide a portion of the salary and fringe benefits for employee(s) involved in the day-to-day administration of the program.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Travel to the national meeting:
- Conduct yellow book appraisals for property acquisition; and
- Conduct survey costs, state surveys, and any third-party costs associated with fee simple acquisitions.

22. SAI NUMBER: 6562

PROJECT TITLE: Agricultural Conservation Easement Program

CFDA NUMBER: 10.931

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Lands Preservation

Foundation

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Resources Conservation Service for \$649,289 for a six-year grant period of the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program, and this is the seventh year the project. A required state contribution of \$649,289 brings the total project support to \$1,298,578. There are no positions associated with this grant. Audit fees have been budgeted and indirect costs are not applicable.

The Agricultural Conservation Easement Program provides funds to qualifying farms for the purchase of preservation easements in order to protect working farms and the long-term viability of the nation's food supply. This year's objective is to help purchase farmland preservation easements on approximately 110 acres of farmland by December 31, 2025.

23. SAI NUMBER: 6605

PROJECT TITLE: Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey-Infrastructure

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection for \$99,617 for a one-year grant period of the Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey (CAPS) – Infrastructure grant, and this is the 30th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. The project requires 0.90 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The CAPS program is designed to trap and visually survey Delaware forests, agricultural fields and businesses for non-native pests considered high priority. CAPS targets pests that have received high-profile, national attention and caused widespread economic and environmental damage. These funds provide the necessary infrastructure to administer the CAPS program. This year's objective is to plan all CAPS survey activities, conduct federal survey and detection work related to early detection of exotic plan pests and weeds, enter and maintain pest detection data, provide accurate plant pest distribution data, provide outreach to increases awareness of the threat of invasive species and maintain open lines of communication between the department and the USDA.

24. SAI NUMBER: 6606

PROJECT TITLE: Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey – Fire Ant Survey

CFDA NUMBER: 10.025

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for

\$5,139 for a one-year grant period of the Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey (CAPS) – Fire Ant Survey grant, and this is the 29th year of the program. There is no required state contribution. The project requires 1.0 NSF FTE, which is already included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

The CAPS program is designed to trap and visually survey Delaware forests, agricultural fields and businesses for non-native pests considered high priority. CAPS targets pests, such as the Red Imported Fire Ant, that have received high-profile, national attention and caused widespread economic and environmental damage. The program seeks to detect pests early to mitigate damage and potentially eradicate the pests. This year's objective is to survey for Red Imported Ants.

25. SAI NUMBER: 6611

PROJECT TITLE: State Forest Action Plan Implementation - IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 10.678

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$237,000 for a five-year grant period of the State Forest Action Plan Implementation – IIJA grant, and this is the third year of the project. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. There is no required state contribution. There are no positions associated with this grant; however, portions of five casual seasonal positions are associated with the grant. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

This grant provides funding for state lead forestry agencies to meet performance goals/measures of success contained within their 2020 State Forest Action Plan (SFAP). The Delaware Forest Service will use this funding to directly address its 2020 SFAP performance goals in three categories: forest health and functionality, sustainable forest management, and public awareness and appreciation for forests.

This year's objectives include the following:

- Ensure a sufficient, healthy forestland base for perpetual production of forest outputs;
- Increase the percentage of managed privately-owned forests and landowners who are sustainably managing their lands; and
- Increase landowners' and governments' knowledge and appreciation of forests and forest management.

26. SAI NUMBER: 6612

PROJECT TITLE: State Fire Assistance – IIJA

CFDA NUMBER: 10.664

APPLICANT: Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

REVIEW/COMMENT:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, Delaware Forest Service has applied to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for \$51,462 for a five-year grant period of the State Fire Assistance – IIJA grant and the 24th year of the project. A required state contribution of \$15,642 brings the total project support to \$67,104. This funding is part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by the President on November 15, 2021. This project requires 0.15 GF FTE, which is included in the department's authorized budget complement. Audit fees and indirect costs have been budgeted.

These IIJA funds provide supplemental funding to the core fire assistance program to address critical preparedness needs and hazard mitigation. Grant funds will be used to address Delaware's 2020 State Forest Action Plan (SFAP) performance goals to identify the most current priority issues, threats, and opportunities regarding Delaware's forest resources.

- Maintain a statewide operational and safety standard for prescribed burning based on National Wildlife Coordinating Group (NWCG) standards;
- Provide wildland firefighting educational programs to all fire companies within rural forest priority areas and urban Wildland Urban Interface priority areas by 2025 and refresher courses every 5 years; and
- Maintain a minimum of 50 NWCG-qualified wildland firefighter type II personnel.