My Healthy Baby Infrastructure 3.0 FAQ

Indiana Department of Health

Question: Could funding be used for client emergency housing?

Answer: Applicants may request funding for emergency housing support under the "Client Enrollment and/or Retention" category. A per client cap (e.g., $100/client) is recommended.

Question: Are there any grant proposal narrative formatting guidelines or word limits?

Answer: Responses must be provided on the official application form. The application form was discussed during a recent webinar. View the recording here. While there is no character limit, we strongly encourage applicants to provide concise responses.

Question: For data sharing, one of our main costs is time. Can we request funds for staff time for data sharing?

Answer: This funding is not intended to cover staff time for normal operations (e.g., home visiting); however, you may request funding to cover staff time for data sharing or other special projects.

Question: Can we only apply for this if we plan on doing home visits?

Answer: Yes, you can only apply if you plan on doing home visits.

Question: Is $500,000 the total amount a program can request, or the total amount to give out?

Answer: $500,000 is the total amount to give out, distributed among all awardees.

Question: How many agencies currently have infrastructure grants that applied last time?

Answer: 23 infrastructure grants were awarded.

Question: My client has an established home visiting program and is providing consulting to another Indiana community who is replicating the program. Are expenses associated with their role as consultant for the other community eligible for funding, particularly under the "Regional or County Partnership Building" category?

Answer: This would not be an allowable activity, as these funds are intended to support existing programs.

Question: What do we do with monies that have not been spent at the end of the grant period? Do we continue distributing it as outlined in our grant proposal until it has all been distributed?

Answer: Grantees will not be able to spend leftover monies after the contract's end date. All expenses need to occur during the project period of March 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

Question: Our health department is in the process in duplicating an existing a perinatal home visiting program, are we able to apply for this grant?

> **Answer:** Only existing perinatal home visiting programs are eligible.

Question: Are Early Head Start programs eligible to apply? Where can I find the template to apply?

> **Answer:** Yes, Early Head Start and any existing perinatal home visiting programs are eligible to apply. The application template can be found [here](#).

Question: Are staff bonuses allowable under Staff Recruitment and Retention costs, or do they fall under the prohibited requests of staff time, mileage for visitation, indirect costs or other human resource costs? My organization was not a recipient of the prior HCBS funding.

> **Answer:** Staff bonuses fall under the Staff Recruitment and Retention category. Programs that are not Stabilizing the Workforce (aka HCBS Funding) recipients may apply for bonuses under this grant.