

ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

RFP # 2022-036VF: Food Education

Questions submitted via email and at the Informational Meeting on October 3, 2024

- 1. Will the County be awarding the total amount to ONE entity or multiple entities? If the County is awarding the total amount to one entity, can that entity subcontract out part of the scope to a subcontractor?**

The award will be made to one entity. Submissions can include subcontracts, but all work must be performed in the timeline set by the RFP.

- 2. If an entity has both for-profit WMBE status and non-profit status, is it better to apply as one or the other?**

The status of the organization's arm that will be performing the service should be used.

- 3. How much of the scope of work is to be delivered to participants in-person?**

The proposer is free to determine the best delivery methods to meet the scope of work.

- 4. Is the \$100,000 match strictly cash or can it be in-kind?**

The matching funds of \$100,000 must be in cash, but the organization can meet that cash match over the course of the project. They do not need to have \$100,000 in a bank account free and clear, but must demonstrate the ability to meet \$100,000 by the end of the project.

- 5. What is the size of the group (households) to serve? Is it up to the program or is it determined by DSS?**

The Proposer is to determine the number they are able to serve for the funding provided in 2025 to meet the scope of work outlined in the RFP.

- 6. How are the demographics to be collected?**

It is up to the proposer as to how the demographics will be collected.