

# Bidder's Notice

New York State  
Office of Children and Family Services  
Commission on National and Community Service

Grant Procurement

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP # 1099

## American Rescue Plan Act AmeriCorps Formula Pool New York State Student Support Corps

This notice is being issued to focus attention on important information regarding the ARPA AmeriCorps Formula Pool NYS Student Support Corps RFP # 1099.

Applicants should be aware of the following requirements and/or changes from prior AmeriCorps funding opportunities (please see the full version of RFP 1099 for further information):

- The Commission will dedicate approximately \$10 million in (ARPA) funding to create a Student Support Corps (SSC), which will address the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on children and teens in New York State.
- The Commission seeks applications from consortia (defined as lead applicant with one or more partners in the project) that intend to meet the needs of K-12 students affected by the pandemic, including learning loss, mental wellness, nutrition, arts and/or recreation. Each consortium must include one or more local schools or school district(s) and/or BOCES, plus at least one or more additional partner(s). The lead agency must meet the eligibility requirements to run an AmeriCorps program (see **Section 3.0**) and satisfy all NYS contracting requirements (see **Section 7.0**).
- For this ARPA initiative, the Commission has selected the focus areas of **Education** and **Healthy Futures**. All applicants must select one or both focus areas and disregard all other selections in eGrants.
- The Commission hopes to fund at least one application to cover each region of New York State (see the map, **Section 4.1**) and requires applicants to apply as one or more regional consortia, identifying the entity that will be the lead applicant.
- Applicants are encouraged to design programs that meet the needs of their local student populations. Applicants may propose programs that cover grades K-12, or those that cover specific grades or student populations (e.g., special education).

- This funding will support proposed two-year AmeriCorps programs, beginning no earlier than January 1, 2023, and extending no later than August 31, 2025. Awards in response to this RFP will result in multiyear contracts for a term of no more than twenty-seven (27) months from the contract start date, which consists of two (2) 15-month contract periods.
- Applicants must submit a completed **Attachment 2 – New York State Student Support Corps Consortium Agreement** signed by all parties that the applicant is proposing to be a part of their consortium
- Based on scoring and funding availability, the Commission may fund any of the following: multi-regional consortia, one region consortia, a regional consortium with multiple school districts, or any other combination that meets its goal of one consortium over each region.
- The Commission has determined that the NYS Student Support Corps programs will be structured as cost-reimbursement grants (not fixed-cost grants) and that an AmeriCorps program under this RFP must propose a minimum of five (5) MSYs.