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Dear Partners,

We're excited to share details about a grant opportunity that aligns with your organization's commitment to climate justice and community wellbeing and will help advance community-led climate adaptation efforts. The grant, funded through mid-2025, reflects a commitment to advancing health climate adaptation by supporting community-led projects. We believe your organization's expertise and dedication make you a competitive candidate for this grant.

The Washington State Department of Health (DOH), in collaboration with the Climate and Health Adaptation Initiative (CHAI), is offering a grant to advance climate justice through community-based initiatives. This grant aims to support grassroots climate adaptation efforts, with a focus on promoting the health of communities facing the immediate impacts of climate change. In addition to financial support, CHAI provides technical assistance from members representing state, federal, and academic expertise in climate adaptation to increase capacity-building efforts to apply for larger environmental justice grants, or to fill in gaps of existing local climate action plans if communities were missing from the process.

Key Grant Details:

- Informational Call: January 4th, 2024, 10am PST. Join via this [link](#).
- Application Deadline: January 26th, 2024, 11:59pm PST
- Review Period: January 29th – February 9th, 2024
- Award Announcement: February 15th, 2024.

Eligibility and Qualifications:

- Community-based organizations (CBOs), tribal entities, or academic/local government agencies in partnership with a CBO or tribe.
- Demonstrates administrative and fiscal capacity, climate change adaptation experience, and equitable community collaboration with communities impacted by climate and environmental justice.

Allowable Costs:

- Capacity-building costs (salaries, benefits, goods, and services)
- Allowable indirect cost rate: up to 29%

Non-Allowable Costs:

- No funds for research, clinical care (unless allowed by law), reimbursement of pre-award costs (unless DOH provides written approval to the recipient), for furniture or equipment (unless clearly identified in the budget).

Restrictions:

- Funds may not be used for publicity or propaganda purposes designed to influence legislation, nor can they be used for the salary or expenses of any grant or contract recipient related to activities influencing legislation, appropriations, regulation, administrative actions, or Executive orders.

We encourage you to explore a wide range of climate adaptation efforts in your proposal, prioritizing health-focused components of existing plans. Projects could include, but are not limited to, first foods initiatives, community resilience planning, mental health support, and local capacity building for climate hazard resilience.

Please review the attached guidelines and application details. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please reach out to Lissette Palestro at Lissette.Palestro@doh.wa.gov.

Thank you for your continued dedication to climate justice, and we look forward to receiving your proposal.

Sincerely,

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