

RFP FAQ

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- When will the RFP question and answer conference call/and, or webinar be held?
 - RFP discussion will be held Tuesday, November 20, 2012 at 2:00 PM.
 - Call in #: **866-394-2346**
 - Conference Code: **2991461097**

- When is the deadline for proposals?
 - Proposal deadline is Tuesday, December 11, 2012 on later than 4PM

- How many applications are required?
 - **three unbound copies** are required

- Will applicants be notified if proposals have been received by the ESD?
 - Receipt of proposals will be confirmed through email address that have been provided within application

- When will applicants learn whether or not their proposal has been accepted?
 - Award announcements will be in mid-winter

- What is the maximum grant amount that may be received?
 - Applicants may apply for awards of up to \$100,000. In most cases, ESD will not make awards to any CDFI higher than noted amount, although reserves the right to make higher awards for CDFIs with substantial capacity.
 - Eligible project expenses may be retroactive a far back as April 1, 2012.

- Will a response still be considered if received late?
 - ESD reserves the right to accept or reject a late application.

- Contract period:
 - The project period will generally be no longer than twelve months.
- Operating Revenue
 - Net sales revenue and other amounts derived from the primary business operations of a company
 - Income derived from sources related to a company's everyday business operations.
- When do you expect to announce awards? Mid Winter
- Remember Lending services are a key component. Your role is to ensure that small businesses are ready to access capital.
- MWBE Participation and EEO forms will be discussed during conference call.