

AR-15 Proof of Non-Profit Status

Executive Order 12372 does not apply to this program.

J. Where To Obtain Additional Information

This and other CDC announcements, the necessary applications, and associated forms can be found at the CDC web site, Internet address: <http://www.cdc.gov>.

Click on "Funding" then "Grants and Cooperative Agreements".

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[Program Announcement 03025]

Building Inter-Country Collaboration and Cooperation for Epidemiology and Surveillance Training in Central America, the Dominican Republic, and Haiti; Notice of Availability of Funds**A. Authority and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number**

This program is authorized under sections 301 and 307 of the Public

Health Service Act, (42 U.S.C. sections 242l), as amended, and section 104 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151b). The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.283.

B. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2003 funds for a cooperative agreement program for Building Inter-Country Collaboration and Cooperation for Epidemiology and Surveillance Training in Central America, the Dominican Republic, and Haiti. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2010" focus area Public Health Infrastructure.

The purpose of this program is to strengthen inter-country activities and cooperation in the development of surveillance and field epidemiology in Central America, the Dominican Republic, and Haiti.

Measurable outcomes of the program will be in alignment with one or more of the following performance goals for the Epidemiology Program Office (EPO): Maximize the distribution and use of scientific information and prevention messages through modern communication technology; efficiently respond to the needs of its public health partners through the provision of epidemiologic assistance; and implement accessible training programs to provide an effective work force for staffing state and local health departments, laboratories, and ministries of health in developing countries.

C. Eligible Applicants

Applications may be submitted by public nonprofit organizations and private nonprofit organizations.

Note: Title 2 of the United States Code section 1611 states that an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engages in lobbying activities is not eligible to receive Federal funds constituting an award, grant or loan.

D. Funding**Availability of Funds**

Approximately \$130,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund one award. It is expected that the award will begin on or about June 30, 2003, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to three years. Funding estimates may change.

Continuation awards within an approved project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress as evidenced by required reports and the availability of funds.

Direct Assistance

No direct assistance will be provided.

Use of Funds

1. All requests for funds contained in the budget, shall be stated in U.S. dollars. Once an award is made, CDC will not compensate foreign grantees for currency exchange fluctuations through issuance of supplemental awards.

By making this statement all requests, not only the initial budget, but any subsequent request such as re-directions, requests for supplemental funds, carry-overs, etc. are included. This is Health and Human Services (HHS) policy.

2. Funds may be spent for reasonable program purposes, including personnel, travel, supplies, and services. Equipment may be purchased if deemed necessary to accomplish program objectives, however, prior approval by CDC officials must be requested in writing.

3. The costs that are generally allowable in grants to domestic organizations are allowable to foreign institutions and international organizations, with the following exception: With the exception of the American University, Beirut, the Gorgas Memorial Institute, and the World Health Organization, indirect costs will not be paid (either directly or through sub-award) to organizations located outside the territorial limits of the United States or to international organizations regardless of their location.

4. The applicant may contract with other organizations under this program; however, the applicant must perform a substantial portion of the activities (including program management and operations, and delivery of prevention services for which funds are required).

5. Limitations and/or prohibitions on the use of funds are as follows:

a. Alterations and renovations are not allowable.

b. Customs and import duties, including consular fees, customs surtax, value-added taxes and other related charges are not allowable.

6. Awardee is required to obtain annual audit of these CDC funds (program-specific audit) by a U.S. based audit firm with International branches and current licensure/authority in country, and in accordance with International Accounting Standards or equivalent standard(s) or equivalent standard(s) approved in writing by CDC.

7. A fiscal Recipient Capability Assessment may be required, pre or post award, with the potential awardee in order to review their business