

Satcher and his team visited the bombing sites, bombing victims, and Tanzanian Government institutions and non-governmental organizations responsible for disaster management and Emergency Medical Services. The Surgeon General reported to the Secretary of DHHS that there was a need for two to three years of focused activities in which HHS agencies could collaborate with USAID and other stakeholders to assist Tanzanians.

This project for designing an appropriate approach for strengthening blood transfusion services in Tanzania is part of a larger CDC program for strengthening emergency medical preparedness in the nation of Tanzania. Measurable outcomes of this project will be in alignment with that program.

### C. Eligible Applicants

Assistance will be provided to a public, private, for-profit, or non-profit organization (including faith-based organizations) that has at least one major operation headquartered in sub-Saharan Africa. Eligible organizations will have significant experience in building, operating, and transferring blood services in sub-Saharan Africa.

Competition is being limited to organizations with an established presence in sub-Saharan Africa due to an acute urgency to begin the project in response to recent increases in terrorist activity in the region.

**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 \$15,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund one award. It is expected that the award will begin on or about September 15, 2003 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to one year. Funding estimates may change.

#### *Use of Funds*

1. 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.

2. 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 the issuance of supplemental awards.

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, 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. The applicant must 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) approved in writing by CDC.

6. A fiscal Recipient Capability Assessment may be required, prior to or post award, in order to review the applicant's business management and fiscal capabilities regarding the handling of U.S. Federal funds.

*Recipient Financial Participation:* Matching funds are not required for this program.

### E. Program Requirements

In conducting activities to achieve the purpose of this program, the recipient will be responsible for the following activities:

- Review current literature and documentation related to blood management in Tanzania.
- Develop and organize an assessment plan.
- Perform an in-country assessment of blood management in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, for a duration of not less than one week, and not more than two weeks.
- Review and disseminate the assessment findings to Tanzanian health officials and CDC.

### F. Content

#### *Letter of Intent (LOI)*

A LOI is not required for this program.

#### *Applications*

The Program Announcement title and number must appear in the application.

Use the information in the Program Requirements, Other Requirements, and Evaluation Criteria sections to develop the application content. Your application will be evaluated on the criteria listed, so it is important to follow them in laying out your program plan. The narrative should be no more than twenty pages, double-spaced, printed on one side, with one-inch margins, and unrounded 12-point font.

The narrative should consist of, at minimum, a plan, objectives, methods, evaluation, and budget. Provide a detailed budget and justification based on the funds available.

### G. Submission and Deadline

#### *Application Forms*

Submit the signed original and two copies of PHS 5161-1 (OMB Number 1920-0428). Forms are available at the following Internet address: [www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/forminfo.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/forminfo.htm).

If you do not have access to the Internet, or if you have difficulty accessing the forms on-line, you may contact the CDC Procurement and Grants Office Technical Information Management Section (PGO-TIM) at: 770-488-2700. Application forms can be mailed to you.

#### *Submission Date, Time, and Address*

The application must be received by 4 p.m. Eastern Time July 7, 2003. Submit the application to: Technical Information Management-PA#03047, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146.

Applications may not be submitted electronically.

#### *CDC Acknowledgement of Application Receipt*

A postcard will be mailed by PGO-TIM, notifying you that CDC has received your application.

#### *Deadline*

Applications shall be considered as meeting the deadline if they are received before 4 p.m. Eastern Time on the deadline date. Any applicant who sends their application by the United States Postal Service or commercial delivery services must ensure that the carrier will be able to guarantee delivery of the application by the closing date and time. If an application is received after closing due to (1) carrier error, when the carrier accepted the package with a guarantee for delivery by the closing date and time, or (2) significant weather delays or natural disasters, CDC will upon receipt of proper documentation, consider the application as having been received by the deadline.