## **GUIDELINES FOR AGENCIES REQUESTING GRANTS**

WSA grants are awarded to projects that alleviate human suffering and directly affect persons who are disenfranchised by poverty or are underserved in the DC Metro area.

Grants are awarded only to qualified nonprofit 501c3 organizations.

Grants are not made to political action or legislative advocacy groups.

Grants are made only to organizations that have other sources of financial support.

The guideline for applicants is \$10,000 for a two-year grant.

Beginning in 2024, WSA will be making two-year grants on the following schedule:

In 2024, grants will be awarded to programs and activities that support Employment.

In 2025, grants will be awarded to programs that support Feeding and Housing.

In 2026, grants will be awarded to programs that support Children, Education and Families (CEF) and Employment.

For the 2024 grant cycle, applications must be submitted no later than <u>January 10, 2024</u>.

After a proposal is received, a member of WSA will schedule an in-person visit to the applicant organization, and that person will be the organization's contact with WSA. Applicants will be informed of WSA's decision in June of the year the proposal is submitted. If a grant is made, funds for the two-year grant will be released by August of that year.

WSA will accept an application for continued support of a program or project according to the schedule above. WSA will expect, as a part of this application, a report on the impact of the previous grant on the work of the organization and the degree to which the goals established for activities supported by the grant were met.

Questions should be addressed to:

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