

**Syracuse SNUG RFA**  
**Applications Due September 30, 2025, 12:00 pm EST**  
**RFA Questions and Responses**

***Questions may have been edited for clarity and/or to avoid duplication.***

**Question #1:** Can you please tell me if a public benefit corporation can apply for this SNUG opportunity? If a public benefit corporation is awarded the grant, can the City of Syracuse be a subrecipient?

*Answer: Only not-for-profits are allowed to apply for this funding. See Applicant Eligibility and Requirements on page 6 of the RFA.*

**Question #2:** Is there a current provider for the SNUG program? If so, who is providing this service.

- *Answer: Yes, Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility d/b/a Community Missions.*

**Question #3:** How much funding, if any, should respondents budget for the SNUG training?

- *Answer: The only costs associated with training will be associated with the travel to and from the training location. The Appendix: Budget lists out the suggested budget line amounts.*

**Question #4:** Is there a cost associated with the SNUG Street Outreach and SNUG Social Work Database systems that should be included in our proposed budget?

- *Answer: No, there are no costs associated with the databases.*

**Question #5:** What is your evidence-based violence reduction strategy; can we propose our own strategy, or will we be expected to implement what is currently used?

- *Answer: The NYS SNUG Street Outreach model is the reduction strategy that is used. The successful applicant will be expected to adhere to the program model established by DCJS. Grantees may implement other strategies that complement the violence reduction approach but cannot stray from the current strategies and policies.*

**Question #6:** The zoning map included in the RFA appears to indicate two clearly defined zones and possibly a third, smaller zone. To support accurate planning and budgeting, could DCJS please confirm the total number of officially designated SNUG target zones in Syracuse? If available, a labeled or more detailed version of the map would be appreciated.

- *Answer: There are only two target areas. An updated map is attached to this Q&A document at the end of the questions.*

**Question #7:** The RFA outlines the characteristics and lived experiences expected of credible messengers, including strong community ties, familiarity with the target area, and a demonstrated commitment to positive change. However, to ensure accurate and compliant recruitment practices, we respectfully request clarification on the following: Are there any formal eligibility requirements for Street Outreach Workers—such as a minimum age, educational qualifications, required background checks, or mandatory trainings—that applicants must meet in addition to the descriptive criteria outlined in the RFA?

- *Answer: The SNUG Outreach Model requirements have no age restrictions, educational requirements, or training requirements prior to obtaining this position. The background checks are required so that there is no history of domestic offenses, sexual offenses, unlawful dealings with children, or active investigations (outstanding warrants or active criminal court cases).*

**Question #8:** We have secured a letter of support from the Mayor of Syracuse. Would this mayoral letter fulfill the requirement for a law enforcement letter of support, or is a separate letter needed from a law enforcement agency (e.g., Syracuse Police Department, District Attorney's Office, or County Probation)?

- *Answer: Applicants will be expected to demonstrate support for their project from a local law enforcement agency (District Attorney, Police Department, Probation Department, etc.). A letter of support from the local law enforcement agency would satisfy this expectation and must be submitted to DCJS with the application in GMS. The Mayor's Office is not a law enforcement agency.*

