

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE June 11, 2020** – LEADS Community Action Agency is issuing this Request for Proposals (RFP) for CSBG CARES funding for COVID-19 related services in Licking County.

Brief Overview: The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Grant is for direct costs related to the Public Health Emergency with a tentative funding date August 1, 2020. Eligibility for direct services is 200% (FPG) of the Federal Poverty Guidelines as published by the US Department of Health and Human Services and must have been affected by the COVID-19 Crisis.

Applicants must be a not for profit or a unit of local government with a proven record of being able to provide the proposed service and the ability to provide positive outcomes.

The RFP must include:

- Narrative and Description of Proposed Service(s) (500 words or less)
- Demonstrate the need for the service in the community due to the 2020 Coronavirus Pandemic with back-up documentation.
- The number and unit cost of households and/or clients served.

LEADS will require a monthly report documenting the number of outcomes achieved and an invoice for services rendered and be able verify income levels of those served. In the case of a food pantry, type program self-declarations of income could be accepted.

Due to the immediate crisis and the timeframe for LEADS to submit additional program information to the Development Services Agency (ODSA) **Proposals are due no later than June 26, 2020**. All CSBG CARES details are still being finalized and considered.

LEADS reserves the right to modify, change or delete any part of this RFP and LEADS has the right to accept or reject any or all proposal for any reason.

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