

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

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NEW YORK STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Agriculture Nonpoint Source Abatement and Control Grant Program

Pursuant to Article 11b of the Soil and Water Conservation District Law, applications will be accepted through January 5, 2009 for financial assistance in the form of matching grants to fund nonpoint source abatement and control projects that plan (AEM Tier III) or implement (AEM Tier IV) Agricultural Best Management Practices on New York State farms. All projects must consist of activities that will reduce, abate, control, or prevent nonpoint source pollution originating from agricultural sources. Applications must be for one of the following: planning activities (AEM Tier III) or implementation (AEM Tier IV).

Eligible applicants are County Soil and Water Conservation Districts or a group of districts acting jointly, who will be referred to as "Project Sponsors." Groups of districts acting jointly should submit one application with one district assuming lead sponsor status. Eligible projects must be for one of the following: planning activities (AEM Tier III) or implementation of agricultural best management practices (AEM Tier IV). Priority consideration will be given to (1) proposals located within a watershed or subwatershed of a priority waterbody as identified by the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation pursuant to Section 17-1407 of the Environmental Conservation Law (2) projects that promote participation in or further priorities of the District's local AEM program (3) projects that include the implementation of conservation buffers (4) projects that are located within a 303 D listed watershed needing a Total Daily Maximum Load (TMDL) or projects located within a public drinking water source as identified on the Department of Health's Source Water Assessment (5) projects that clearly address identified need or opportunity (5) projects that are proposed with adequate scope of work and time frame (6) projects that demonstrate strong local and landowner/operator support (7) projects that demonstrate cost effectiveness. If the proposal contains no contribution from the owner or operator of agricultural land, then the State may fund up to 75 percent of the total eligible costs for planning or BMP implementation. The amount of State funding may be increased by a percentage equal to the percentage of the total eligible costs that are contributed by the landowner or operator provided, however, that in no event shall the amount of State funding exceed 90 percent of total eligible costs.

Availability of funding for this program is from Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget, which includes an appropriation for this purpose.

For an application: contact Brian Steinmuller at brian.steinmuller@agmkt.state.ny.us or 518-457-0562, or visit the Department's website at www.agmkt.state.ny.us

PARTNERSHIP OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT(S), BOARD(S) OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OR BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SECONDARY SCHOOL AND EITHER A NONPROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OFFERING AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE, OR TWO-YEAR POSTSECONDARY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM OR A PROPRIETARY INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OFFERING AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Title II Education of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 (Formerly Known as Tech Prep)

Approximately \$900,000 is available to fund one grant in each of the Western New York, Bronx, and Manhattan regions.

Perkins Title II provides grants to partnerships of secondary and postsecondary education institutions for the development and operation of programs consisting of the last two years of secondary education and at least two years of postsecondary career and technical education. Perkins Title II is designed to strengthen links between secondary and postsecondary schools.

Applications for funding are available at www.emsc.nysed.gov under Funding Opportunities. Applications must be postmarked by December 15, 2008 and submitted to the State Education Department. For more information, contact Career and Technical Education Team at (518) 486-1547

Education Department
Office of Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals
With Disabilities
Albany, NY 12234

PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CHARTER SCHOOLS AND BOCES SERVING STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 12TH GRADE HAVING VALIDATED EFFECTIVE EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICES

S3TAIR Project Effective Practice Dissemination Grant

Applications will be accepted through December 8, 2008 for annual grant funding of approximately \$210,000 available to nominated schools having validated effective evidence based instructional practices. Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for up to five years for the purpose of replication and dissemination of these practices. Grantees will be involved in Peer to Peer mentoring activities and in documenting efforts of collaboration.

Public schools, charter schools and BOCES serving students in kindergarten through 12th grade having validated effective evidence

based practices will be eligible to apply for a grant. The effective practices that are validated must be in one or more of the following areas:

- literacy instruction,
- positive behavior/academic interventions/supports, or
- special education instruction for students with disabilities

For information on how to have a potential effective practice validated, please go to the following website for information: http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/grant_procurement_opportunities/about.htm

Program Purpose/Goal:

The primary purpose of this program is to support the S3TAIR Project's goal of dissemination and replication of evidence based instructional practices in three instructional areas that benefit students with disabilities (literacy, positive academic and behavior intervention and supports, and effective delivery of special education programs and services) by:

- identifying districts/schools successfully implementing and sustaining these practices,
- developing in-depth documentation of the practices in these districts/schools, and
- supporting peer to peer mentoring between these schools/districts and Replication districts seeking to replicate the practices.

Applications for funding may be found http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/grant_procurement_opportunities/about.htm

All questions must be emailed to SPDGLEA@mail.nysed.gov no later than close of business on November 14, 2008. A Question and Answer summary will be posted at http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/grant_procurement_opportunities/about.htm no later than November 21, 2008.

Department of Environmental Conservation

625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233

New York City Watershed Protection Program

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation is announcing \$3 million dollars in funding for water quality improvement projects addressing protection and enhancement of the quality of source waters of the New York City (NYC) water supply system.

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) was enacted to protect the quality of drinking water in the United States of America. The New York City Watershed Protection Program provides financial assistance for projects as a part of the watershed program for protection and enhancement of the quality of source waters of the New York City water supply system. Projects include those that demonstrate, assess, or provide for comprehensive monitoring and surveillance and those that are necessary to comply with the criteria for avoiding filtration. This SDWA Grant Program is administered by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) as part of the Department's Water Quality Improvement Projects: New York City Watershed Protection Program.

Eligible projects must build on watershed protection efforts that help to improve water quality while enhancing and preserving the economy and rural character of local communities. Eligible types of projects are Non-Point Source Abatement and Control; Assessment, Planning and Research; and Outreach and Education.

Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis. No hand delivered, facsimile, or electronic applications will be accepted.

For an application, contact: Water Quality Improvement Projects: New York City Watershed Protection Program, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Water, 625 Broadway, 4th Floor, Albany, New York 12233-3508, Phone: (518) 402-8164, Website: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/25599.html>