

# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

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(DDPC)  
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Albany, NY 12210

Environmental Facilities Corporation  
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FOR-PROFIT, NOT-FOR-PROFIT AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS; DISABILITY SERVICE PROVIDERS; AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS, SUCH AS UNIVERSITIES OR COLLEGES, WITH EXPERTISE IN DEVELOPING ADVOCACY AND/OR LEADERSHIP SKILLS

## **Administration of the NYS Partners-in Policymaking Training Program**

One grant of up to \$200,000 will be funded by DDPC for a 12-month period to administer and conduct the Partners-in-Policymaking® training and to graduate at least 50 people per year. The contract term will be for one year, with the possibility of renewal for two additional one-year periods at up to \$200,000 per year. The applicant's program and budget narratives must provide the justification for the amount requested.

Partners-in-Policymaking® (Partners) is an international model of leadership training for people with developmental disabilities, their parents and their family members. It is designed to provide knowledge about issues and policies related to disability and to develop effectiveness in influencing policy development at all levels. The overall intent is to achieve a productive partnership between individuals with developmental disabilities (and their family members) and those in positions to make policy. The purpose of this grant is to transition from the current face-to-face model to an interactive distance learning format.

The DDPC seeks to develop, pilot and conduct Partners training by incorporating available technologies while maintaining as much of the interactive flavor of the current Partners program as possible. The successful RFP application must include the following components:

- Developing and piloting eight Partners training modules based on the Minnesota model in an Interactive Distance Learning format, including two class meetings at a central location and six curriculum modules that utilize electronic programming for content and follow-up (i.e. online, teleconferencing, webinars, discussion boards);
- Developing and piloting an Interactive Distance Learning format to provide the entire Partners training program to individuals who are unable to attend the classes in person, including the use of webcasting and conference calling;
- Inclusion of previous Partners graduates to assist in the Interactive Distance Learning programs as well as in an ongoing continuing education program for new Partners graduates; and
- Evaluation of completion rates for individual sessions and for the entire curriculum, completion rates between traditional Partners participants and those in Interactive Distance Learning, and the knowledge increase and behavioral change leading to improved advocacy by participants.

All interested applicants are required to submit a one-page letter of intent by April 3, 2009 to James Huben, Program Planner at the address above. All final grant applications should be sent to Sheila Carey, Executive Director, and must be delivered to the DDPC office by close of business (5:00 pm) on May 1, 2009.

## MUNICIPAL RECIPIENTS

### **Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) for Water Pollution Control; Additional Funding; Fund Adjustments; Amended Annual Project Priority List**

The New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) and the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announce that the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2009 Intended Use Plan (IUP) for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) for Water Pollution Control Projects, dated September 2008, is being amended.

Amendment No. 1 reflects adjustments to the sources and uses of funds available for the remaining FFY 2009 IUP financing period through an increase in the CWSRF appropriation to New York State in the amount of \$432 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). Of this appropriation, no less than 50% (\$216 million) will be used for additional subsidization. To the extent available, additional subsidization for project costs eligible for ARRA funding will be available to both hardship and non-hardship projects. Also, not less than 20% (\$86 million) will be used for projects to address green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or environmentally innovative projects, to the extent that qualifying applications are received.

These fund adjustments will be used to finance projects on the final amended CWSRF 2009 IUP Annual Project Priority List that meet ARRA requirements described in the Amendment. Priority for ARRA funds is placed on projects that can start construction within a short time frame.

For projects on the 2009 Final IUP Annual List below the Contingency Lines in Categories A and B, and those projects moved to the Category D Annual List from the Category D Multi-Year List as a result of this amendment, the deadline for submitting project financing applications has been extended to April 1, 2009. Financing applications received after April 1, 2009 for projects on the amended Annual List will be held by EFC and may be considered for subsidized funds later in FFY 2009, if sufficient funds are available. The CWSRF financing application package was revised in January 2009 and is available by calling EFC at 800-882-9721 or on the EFC website at [www.nysefc.org](http://www.nysefc.org) (click on "Programs", then "Clean Water State Revolving Fund", then "Application Process").

The Draft Amendment No. 1 is available on the EFC website at [www.nysefc.org](http://www.nysefc.org) (click on "Programs," then "Clean Water State Revolving Fund," then "IUP and Amendments"). A copy of Draft Amendment No. 1 can also be requested by calling the EFC toll-free line at 800-882-9721 or at 518-402-7433.

Written comments on Amendment No. 1 to the CWSRF IUP will be accepted by mail, e-mail, or fax until close of business, Friday, March 27, 2009. Comments should be addressed to: David Morseman, SRF Program Services Coordinator, Division of Engineering and Program Management, Environmental Facilities Corporation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207-2997, FAX: (518) 402-7456, E-mail: [iupcomments@nysefc.org](mailto:iupcomments@nysefc.org)

### Governor's Traffic Safety Committee

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STATE AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NON-PROFIT AGENCIES

#### Federal Highway Safety Program

The Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) is issuing a Request for Application (RFA) to solicit applications from State agencies, local governments and non-profit agencies for Federal Highway Safety grants. Grant applications must be received by the GTSC on or before May 15, 2009.

The GTSC oversees New York State's highway safety program and receives funding from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to address highway safety related problems. The goal of the program is to prevent motor vehicle crashes, save lives, and reduce the severity of injuries suffered in crashes on the state's roadways. The GTSC distributes these funds to state agencies, local governments and qualifying non-profit agencies through a grant award program. Grants are awarded for one-year periods, based on the availability of federal funding and the performance of the grantee. To qualify for funding, a highway safety problem must be documented and quantified; and an innovative solution addressing the problem must be proposed.

Applications from local governments and non-profit agencies must be endorsed by their local Traffic Safety Board, pursuant to Article 43 of the NY Vehicle and Traffic Law and Article 16-A of the NY Executive Law.

Grants for the upcoming 2010 Federal Fiscal Year will run from October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010.

All applications must be submitted through the GTSC's e-Grants system. The e-Grants system is web-based and requires internet access using a browser and Adobe Acrobat. E-Grant applications, instructions and guidelines can be accessed through the GTSC's website, [www.SafeNY.com](http://www.SafeNY.com). Additional information can also be obtained by contacting the GTSC at (518) 474-5111 or Fax (518) 473-6946.

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### State Emergency Management Office

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Albany, New York 12226

#### FY 2009 Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) Program: Potential Extension

The New York State Emergency Management Office (SEMO) has been notified that FEMA may re-open the application period for its FY 2009 Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) program. The original date for all applications to be submitted was December 19, 2008.

Under the SRL program, FEMA pre-identifies ("pre-qualifies") residential properties for participation based on the dates and amounts of National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) claims. This means that not every community or county will have eligible applications; there is also no guarantee that the SRL grant program will be re-opened. However, to ensure that all potentially eligible applicants can take advantage of any extension granted by FEMA, SEMO is canvassing local governments' interest in participating should FEMA re-open the application period. This notice is being distributed to all counties in the State, even those without identified SRL properties, to inform all mitigation partners about the program since the list of eligible SRL properties is continuously revised as new claims information is reviewed and validated.

Based on the latest data provided by FEMA, there are currently SRL properties in Albany, Bronx, Broome, Chautauqua, Delaware, Erie, Essex, Nassau, Onondaga, Orange, Rockland, Schenectady, Suffolk, Tioga, Ulster, and Westchester Counties. Eligible applicants

who wish to see if there are SRL-eligible properties in their jurisdiction are encouraged to contact SEMO at 518-292-2304.

#### How Does a Property Qualify?

SRL properties are defined as residential properties that are covered under an NFIP policy and have at least:

- a) four NFIP claim payments (including building and contents) over \$5,000 each whose total exceeds \$20,000; or
- b) two separate claims payments (building payments only) whose total exceeds the market value of the building.

At least two of the claims must have occurred within a ten-year period and must be more than 10 days apart. "Pre-validated" properties must still demonstrate cost-effectiveness using FEMA's Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) formula. In addition, the jurisdiction must have its own FEMA-approved all-hazards mitigation plan in effect, or have participated in a multi-jurisdictional effort that resulted in a FEMA-approved all-hazards mitigation plan.

#### Where to Get Information

Information about the SRL program is now available through County Emergency Managers and Mitigation Coordinators who received program information via e-mail, through SEMO's five Regional Offices, and on SEMO's website at [www.semo.state.ny.us](http://www.semo.state.ny.us), and FEMA's website at [www.fema.gov/government/grant/srl](http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/srl).

#### Important Deadlines

There is no guarantee that FEMA will re-open the application period. However, interested eligible applicants with SRL properties in their jurisdiction are encouraged to fax Letters of Intent (LOIs) to SEMO at 518-322-4983 by Monday, March 16, 2009.

If you have questions or need further information on the program, please call Richard Lord, SEMO's Chief of Mitigation Programs, at (518) 292-2304.