



Connecting Older Adults with Community-based Resources and Options

Date: March 25, 2022

Re: Notice of Funding Availability: FY 2023-2024 Request for Proposals – Adult Protective Services

This notice is being sent to all organizations that currently receive funding through AgeOptions, to all organizations on AgeOptions' Project Registry and more widely through AgeOptions newsletter subscribers.

This notice of available grant funding is for the **Illinois Adult Protective Services Program** for suburban Cook County. Adult Protective Services (APS) is a social services program to support older adults (age 60 and over) and adults (18-59) with disabilities experiencing abuse, neglect, self-neglect, or financial exploitation. APS programs investigate reports of maltreatment; provide support and, in some cases, case-management; and connect those facing abuse to a variety of protective, emergency, and support services.

The service provider must adhere to the Illinois Department on Aging's Adult Protective Services Standards and Procedures. For further information about the program, visit our webpage: <https://www.ageoptions.org/about-ageoptions/for-funded-agencies-and-partners/>

Successful applicants must comply with all applicable pre-qualification requirements including, but not limited to, current DUNS and SAM numbers, acceptable fiscal management/fiscal stability, are in good standing with the Secretary of State and are not on any Debarred/Suspended/Stop Payment/Excluded Parties listings.

AgeOptions is the Area Agency on Aging of suburban Cook County and the Regional Administrative Agency for the Adult Protective Services program for suburban Cook County. As such, AgeOptions has been designated by the Illinois Department on Aging (IDOA) to send out a Request for Proposal (RFP) and make recommendations for funding to the IDOA. IDOA will make the final decision for funding and provide a purchase of services contract with the selected Adult Protective Services Provider Agencies.

This notice is an official statement that AgeOptions is seeking proposals from public, private, not-for-profit, or proprietary organizations for service provision in Fiscal Year 2023. Contracts will run from October 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. The Illinois Department on Aging may offer two, one-year renewals for the above referenced service to be provided in suburban Cook County, Illinois – FY 24 July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, and FY 25 July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025. Service areas and corresponding townships are referenced on page 4 of this notice.

Notice of Interest

For planning purposes, agencies interested in applying for this funding opportunity are encouraged to email Jamie Farrell, Aging and Disability Rights Coordinator at Jamie.farrell@ageoptions.org **to indicate their interest by April 15, 2022.** Applicants who do not indicate their interested ahead of time are not excluded from applying.

Emails should include the following information:

- Subject Line: “APS RFP Interest”
- Body of email should include the name and contact information to send the application, the name of your agency and the townships they plan to apply to serve.

Application

Applications will be released on May 2, 2022. They will be sent to any agency that submitted an email indicating interest prior to April 15, 2022 and to any other organization that requests an application after that date.

Emails after April 15, 2022 should include the following information:

- Subject Line: “*APS application request*”
- Body of email should include the name and contact information to send the application, the name of your agency and the townships they plan to apply to serve.

Applicants need to review all materials upon receipt of the application to ensure that requirements are understood. AgeOptions reserves the right to issue clarifications of any of the requirements outlined in these documents. Such clarifications will be binding on all applicants.

AgeOptions will address questions from applicants and will post an FAQ, which will be updated every Friday when there are additions ([click here](#) to be directed to future FAQs). Questions should be submitted in writing to jamie.farrell@ageoptions.org. The last date written questions will be received is June 10, 2022.

Technical Assistance

Please plan to join us for a technical assistance webinar session to learn more about the **RFP** process scheduled on **Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 10:00 am via Zoom.**

Registration for the TA session is required. Please [Click here](#) to register in advance.

Application Review Information

Non-responsive Applications

All incomplete applications or otherwise non-conforming applications will be deemed non-responsive to the solicitation announcement and will not be considered for funding.

Review Criteria

Applications are due via e mail to Jamie.Farrell@ageoptions.org by 5:00 PM CT on June 17, 2022. *All applications should have the subject line: "APS Application FY23"*

Applications are reviewed using uniform review criteria to ensure an unbiased review process. AgeOptions may, during the application review process, require additional or corrected information from an applicant. During the competitive process, AgeOptions may conduct a site visit; speak with applicant staff; or require a special presentation from applicants.

Non-Discrimination Statement

AgeOptions does not discriminate in admission to program or treatment of employment in programs or activities in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act; The Age Discrimination Act; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; and the U.S. and Illinois Constitution. If you feel you have been discriminated against, you have the right to file a complaint with the Illinois Department on Aging. For information, call 1-800-252-8966 (voice and TDD) or contact the AgeOptions Civil Rights Coordinator at 708-383-0258.

Timeline

Notice of Funding Availability published	March 25, 2022
Notice of Interest Due (optional)	April 15, 2022
RFP Application Released	May 2, 2022
Technical Assistance Session	May 3, 2022 (10:00 AM CT)
Applications due to Jamie.Farrell@AgeOptions.org	June 17, 2022 (5:00 PM CT)
AgeOptions submits funding recommendation to the Illinois Department on Aging	August 1, 2022
Notice of Grant Award Released by Illinois Department on Aging	TBD
Service Begins	October 1, 2022

Questions?

Please e-mail jamie.farrell@ageoptions.org with "APS RFP Question" in the subject line.

Application Service Areas

Applicants must apply to serve at least one whole service area.

Service Area	Townships
1	Bloom, Calumet, Bremen, Thornton and Rich
2	Lemont, Orland, Palos, Worth and Stickney
3	Leyden, Lyons, Norwood Park, and Riverside Township and the Villages of LaGrange Park, and Brookfield
4	Berwyn, Cicero and Proviso (excluding Villages of Brookfield and LaGrange Park)
5	Oak Park and River Forest
6	Evanston and Niles
7	Maine, Northfield and New Trier
8	Elk Grove and Schaumburg
9	Barrington, Palatine, Wheeling and Hanover