



Request for Proposals – Joy in Work

Joy in Work Course Development and Pilot Site Technical Assistance

Applications due Friday, November 3, 11:59 PM EST.

Summary Information

Project Title	Joy In Work Course Development and Pilot Site Technical Assistance
Proposal Due Date and Time	Friday, November 3, 11:59 pm EST
Selection Announcement Date	Monday, November 13, 2023
Source of Funding	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
NOA Award No	
Maximum Funding Amount	\$50,000
Estimated Period of Performance	December 1, 2023 – July 31, 2024
Point of Contact for Questions Regarding this Application	Kathleen Semansky KSemansky@naccho.org

Purpose

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) is seeking a qualified consultant to develop a Joy in Work implementation guide for local health departments, develop and instruct three skills building sessions, support up to five local health departments in piloting Joy in Work, and create a fact sheet for the field from lessons learned through pilot sites. Through this process, LHD current and aspiring leaders and managers should learn how to recognize signs of burnout and loss of joy in their employees as well as the framework and applicable tools from the IHIs Joy in Work toolkit to address employee engagement and satisfaction. The consultant will provide information on how to have “conversations that matter”, how to incorporate the Joy in Work framework, and what barriers stand in the way of finding joy in the workplace. Consultants should have experience working within or with LHDs,

or other governmental public health agencies, and have knowledge of the climate of the current local public health workforce as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond.

Overview

NACCHO is the voice of nearly 3,000 local health departments across the country. These city, county, metropolitan, district, and tribal departments work to protect and improve the health of all people and all communities. NACCHO provides resources to help LHD leaders develop public health policies and programs to ensure that communities have access to the vital programs and services people need to keep them protected from disease and disaster. Additionally, NACCHO advocates on behalf of LHDs with federal policymakers for adequate resources, appropriate public health legislation, and sensible policies to address the myriad of challenges facing communities.

Joy in Work is framework and toolkit created by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement and adapted by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) for use in Local Health Departments. Joy in Work aims to understand the impediments to what brings meaning and purpose to work and evidence-based interventions to manage these and affect change at all levels of an organization. NACCHO is committed to responding to the data from the Public Health Workforce on burnout and high levels of stress with the implementation of a Joy in Work pilot program. The current toolkit can be accessed here on NACCHO's webpage <https://www.naccho.org/blog/articles/new-resource-the-joy-in-work-toolkit>.

The consultant will primarily be responsible for leading the development of Joy in Work implementation guide, launching, and supporting pilot sites including facilitating three workshops for five LHDs in the program, and creating a tip sheet from lessons learned to disseminate among NACCHO members to incorporate Joy in Work more effectively.

The target audience is mid-level managers at LHDs across the country who are interested in the Joy in Work toolkit and committed to collaborating with other LHDs and incorporating the principles, framework, and tools from Joy in Work to their staff.

The chosen LHDs will utilize the implementation guide created by the consultant to work with their staff on having one on one "what matters to you?" conversations, discovering impediments to joy in the workplace, and commitment to tangible actions in response to expressed need.

The timeline of work will be from December 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024.

Up to five LHDs will be chosen from varying geographic areas of the country and all trainings and communication will be held virtually. This is subject to change upon need.

Eligibility

Consultants with demonstrated knowledge of and experience in 1) teaching employee satisfaction and workforce development topics to adult learners, specifically to those within public health and/or related fields, 2) working in or with LHDs, or other governmental public health agencies, and 3) the unique experiences of the public health workforce.

Funding Overview and Timeline

NACCHO will issue an award **up to \$50,000** in the form of a fixed priced contract. Applications must be submitted by **Friday, November 3rd, at 11:59PM ET** and selections will occur on or around November 13th, 2023. The project period shall begin upon both parties' full execution of the contract, which is anticipated to be December 1, 2023, and will end July 31, 2024.

Key Dates

Event	Date
Release of RFP	October 20, 2023
Application period closes	November 3, 2023
Anticipated notice of award	November 13, 2023
Contract execution	December 1, 2023
Meetings with project staff and facilitation preparation	December 1, 2023
Monthly sessions delivered	March, April, May 2024

Activities and Deliverables

1. This consultant will work with the NACCHO Public Health Infrastructure Systems team, particularly those on the Joy in Work project, to create an implementation guide and provide workshop facilitation of three sessions on JIW subject matter. There will be three workshops for pilot sites, once per month in March, April, and May of 2024. The consultant will collaborate with NACCHO staff on workshop administration to pilot sites. The consultant will also be responsible for conducting any necessary preparation before session to deliver the course in the most effective way possible, to conduct knowledge checks and assessments, and answer questions on course content during the course period outside of identified course times.

Scope of Work

The selected consultant will be expected to undertake the following tasks:

1. Create and provide an implementation guide to be used in Local Health Departments based off working documents from the Institute for Health Care Improvement as well as any additions agreed upon by NACCHO and consultant.

2. Facilitate three-monthly hour-long workshops on topics that are relevant to the local health departments engaging in the pilot site process, PowerPoint slides, and any supplemental information.
3. In collaboration with NACCHO, provide support and technical assistance to pilot sites during the project implementation.
4. Develop an implementation tip sheet for Joy In Work toolkit.

Deliverables

The selected consultant will enter into a contractual agreement with NACCHO to complete the deliverables specified below. NACCHO will disburse funds according to completion of the assigned deliverables. A payment schedule in accordance with the assigned completion percentage is outlined below. Please note: NACCHO reserves the right to make changes to the project timeline and payment schedule if necessary. The following outlines the deliverables to be produced by the consultant; however, a finalized scope of work will be agreed upon post consultant selection.

Activity	Deliverable	Invoice Amount	Invoice Due Date
Creation of implementation guide and curriculum for pilot site workshops.	Meeting agendas, draft implementation guide, final implementation guide, and curriculum for pilot site workshops.	\$20,000	February 31, 2024
Facilitation of 3 1-hour trainings and support as needed to LHDs, creation of tip sheet for other LHDs based on findings from pilot program.	Meeting agendas, attendance lists, curriculum for workshops and PowerPoint slides, fact sheet on tips for implementation.	\$30,000	July 31, 2024

Requirements for Financial Award

Allowable Expenses

Funds may not be used for equipment purchases. Per HHS requirements, funds awarded under this RFP are prohibited from being used to pay the direct salary of an individual at a rate in excess of the federal Executive Schedule Level II (currently \$197,300).

The following items are not allowable expenses:

- Telecommunication Ban in accordance with FAR 52.204-24 and FAR 52.204-25

- Alcoholic Beverages
- Bad Debts
- Contributions and donations
- Entertainment Costs
- Fines and penalties
- Goods and services for personal use
- Lobbying
- Losses on other awards

Period of Performance

The targeted completion of work shall be **July 31, 2024**.

Proposal

Proposal Response Format In order to be considered for this project, proposals must be in PDF format, including the following:

- A. **Applicant information/Cover page** (Not included in page count)
 - a. Organization Name, Street Address, City/State/Territory, Zip
 - b. Lead project contact (agency-designated project contact for all matters pertaining to the project): Name, email, phone
 - c. Lead finance contact (agency-designated finance contact for all matters pertaining to processing contracts and invoices): Name, email, phone
- B. **Project narrative** (not to exceed 4 pages) that includes:
 - a. A description of the methodology proposed to meet each of the tasks outlined in the scope of work listed above.
 - b. A detailed work plan and timeline of all the activities that will be conducted for successful implementation of the project. *This can be included as an attachment as not to exceed the page limit.*
 - c. A capability statement that demonstrates the consultant/organization's experience and ability in developing and delivering content for management and leadership in public health work, knowledge of the current conditions of the public health workforce and workforce wellbeing.
 - d. A description of any other consultants/firms that will be engaged on this project and their relevant expertise (if applicable).
 - e. The name of the primary staff and other significant contributors, including qualifications and role. (Resume/CV not included in page limit)
- C. **Line-item budget and narrative**, not to exceed \$50,000:

- a. Budget proposal and accompanying budget narrative that explains each line-item, including the cost breakdown and justification as to how it will support project goals and objectives. A budget and narrative template can be found in section F Attachments.
 - i. Respond to the following two questions at the end of the budget narrative:
 1. Do you have prior experience in Federal Contracting?
 2. Have you completed a Single Audit?
 - ii. Funding restrictions specified in the NOA are attached below as Appendix B. In addition, telecommunication expenses; food and beverages; or incentives are also unallowed
- D. **Examples of work** or links to a portfolio
- E. **Attachments** (not included in page count)
 - Required: Complete and submit a and Budget Narrative.
 - Required: Complete and submit the [Vendor Information Form](#).
 - Required: Complete and submit the [Certification of Non-Debarment](#)
 - Required: Submit a [W-9](#)
 - Required: Proof of active registration with SAM.gov including the following information:
 - Organization Name
 - Unique Entity ID
 - CAGE/NCAGE ID
 - Entity Status as ACTIVE
 - Expiration Date must be post expected contract execution date (December 1, 2023)

Selection Process

Each proposal will be reviewed and rated on the following elements:

- **Understanding of Project Purpose and Goals:** Applicant has a clear understanding of the project goals and deliverables.
- **Relevant Personnel Experience:** Applicant has clearly documented evidence of his/her experience delivering synchronous live-learning courses and course materials that appeal to adult learners, working in or with LHDs, or other governmental public health agencies, experience and ability in developing and delivering content for management and leadership in public health work, knowledge of the current conditions of the public health workforce and workforce wellbeing.
- **Budget:** The proposal includes a detailed, line-item budget justifying the proposed expenses, and the expenses are appropriate for the purposes of the deliverables.

Any work products created by this contract will be co-owned by NACCHO and Consultant.

Please note that submission of a proposal is a statement of acceptance of NACCHO's standard form contract (Appendix A). If any items cannot be accepted, these issues need to be resolved prior to submitting a proposal.

Deadline/Staff Contact

The deadline for submission is **November 3rd, 2023**, by 11:59 PM Eastern Standard Time. Proposals should be submitted electronically, in PDF format, via e-mail to:

Kathleen Semansky
Senior Program Analyst, Public Health Infrastructure and Systems
ksemansky@naccho.org

APPENDIX A

CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

This Contractor Agreement is entered into, effective as of the date of the later signature indicated below, by and between the **National Association of County and City Health Officials** (hereinafter referred to as “NACCHO”), with its principal place of business at 1201 (I) Eye Street NW 4th Fl., Washington, DC 20005, and *[insert name of Contractor]* (hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”), with its principal place of business at *[insert mailing address of Contractor]*.

WHEREAS, NACCHO wishes to hire Contractor to provide certain goods and/or services to NACCHO;

WHEREAS, Contractor wishes to provide such goods and/or services to NACCHO;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I: SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT: Contractor agrees to provide the goods and/or services to NACCHO to enhance the programmatic activities of GRANT #5 NU38OT000306-05-00, CFDA # 93.421, as described in Attachment I. The terms of Attachment I shall be incorporated into this Agreement as if fully set forth herein. Contractor shall act at all times in a professional manner consistent with the standards of the industry.
2. TERM OF AGREEMENT: The term of the Agreement shall begin on January 1, 2023 and shall continue in effect until July 31, 2023, unless earlier terminated in accordance with the terms herein. Expiration of the term or termination of this Agreement shall not extinguish any rights or obligations of the parties that have accrued prior thereto. The term of this Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.

3. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES: In consideration for professional services to be performed, NACCHO agrees to pay Contractor an amount not to exceed \$ 50,000 in two invoices: 1. \$20,000 on February 31, 2024, 2. \$30,000 on July 31, 2024. All payments will be made within 30 days of receipt of invoice(s) from Contractor and following approval by NACCHO for approved services, as outlined on Attachment I. Two invoices must be submitted as follows:

Invoice No.	Amount	Deliverable	Due date
Invoice I	\$20,000	Meeting agendas, draft implementation guide, final implementation guide, and curriculum for pilot site workshops.	February 31, 2024
Invoice II	\$30,000	Meeting agendas, attendance lists, curriculum for workshops, fact sheet on tips for implementation.	July 31, 2024

NACCHO award number must be included on all invoices. Unless otherwise expressly stated in this Agreement, all amounts specified in, and all payments to be made under, this Agreement shall be in United States Dollars. The parties agree that payment method shall be made by check, via postage-paid first class mail, at the address for *the giving of notices as set forth in Section 23* of this Agreement. Any changes of payment method would require a modification signed by both parties. The final invoice must be received by NACCHO no later than 15 days after the end date of the Agreement. Contractor will be given an opportunity to revise as needed but the final revised invoice must be received no later than 30 days after the end date of the Agreement. NACCHO will not accept any invoices past 30 days of the end date of the Agreement.

ARTICLE II: GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: Contractor shall act as an independent contractor, and Contractor shall not be entitled to any benefits to which NACCHO employees may be entitled.
2. PAYMENT OF TAXES AND OTHER LEVIES: Contractor shall be exclusively responsible for reporting and payment of all income tax payments, unemployment insurance, worker's compensation insurance, social security obligations, and similar taxes and levies.
3. LIABILITY: All liability to third parties, loss, or damage as a result of claims, demands, costs, or judgments arising out of activities, such as direct service delivery, to be carried out by the Contractor in the performance of this agreement shall be the responsibility of the Contractor, and not the responsibility of NACCHO, if the liability, loss, or damage is

caused by, or arises out of, the actions of failure to act on the part of the Contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor.

All liability to third parties, loss, or damage as result of claims, demands, costs, or judgments arising out of activities, such as the provision of policy and procedural direction, to be carried out by NACCHO in the performance of this agreement shall be the responsibility of NACCHO, and not the responsibility of the Contractor, if the liability, loss, or damage is caused by, or arises out of, the action or failure to act on the part of any NACCHO employee.

In the event that liability to third parties, loss, or damage arises as a result of activities conducted jointly by the Contractor and NACCHO in fulfillment of their responsibilities under this agreement, such liability, loss, or damage shall be borne by the Contractor and NACCHO in relation to each party's responsibilities under these joint activities.

4. REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS: Any revisions or amendments to this Agreement must be made in writing and signed by both parties.
5. ASSIGNMENT: Without prior written consent of NACCHO, Contractor may not assign this Agreement nor delegate any duties herein.
6. CONTINGENCY CLAUSE: This Agreement is subject to the terms of any agreement between NACCHO and its Primary Funder and in particular may be terminated by NACCHO without penalty or further obligation if the Primary Funder terminates, suspends or materially reduces its funding for any reason. Additionally, the payment obligations of NACCHO under this Agreement are subject to the timely fulfillment by the Primary Funder of its funding obligations to NACCHO.
7. INTERFERING CONDITIONS: Contractor shall promptly and fully notify NACCHO of any condition that interferes with, or threatens to interfere with, the successful carrying out of Contractor's duties and responsibilities under this Agreement, or the accomplishment of the purposes thereof. Such notice shall not relieve Contractor of said duties and responsibilities under this Agreement.
8. OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS: Contractor hereby transfers and assigns to NACCHO all right, title and interest (including copyright rights) in and to all materials created or developed by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement, including, without limitation, reports, summaries, articles, pictures and art (collectively, the "Materials") (subject to any

licensed third-party rights retained therein). Contractor shall inform NACCHO in writing of any third-party rights retained within the Materials and the terms of all license agreements to use any materials owned by others. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor shall retain no rights to the Materials and shall assist NACCHO, upon reasonable request, with respect to the protection and/or registrability of the Materials. Contractor represents and warrants that, unless otherwise stated to NACCHO in writing, the Materials shall be original works and shall not infringe or violate the rights of any third party or violate any law. The obligations of this paragraph are subject to any applicable requirements of the Federal funding agency.

9. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES: The parties shall use their best, good faith efforts to cooperatively resolve disputes and problems that arise in connection with this Agreement. Both parties will make a good faith effort to continue without delay to carry out their respective responsibilities under the Agreement while attempting to resolve the dispute under this section. If a dispute arises between the parties that cannot be resolved by direct negotiation, the dispute shall be submitted to a dispute board for a nonbinding determination. Members of the dispute board shall be the Director or Chief Executive Officer of the Contractor, the Chief Executive Officer of NACCHO, and the Senior Staff of NACCHO responsible for this Agreement. The costs of the dispute board shall be paid by the Contractor and NACCHO in relation to the actual costs incurred by each of the parties. The dispute board shall timely review the facts, Agreement terms and applicable law and rules, and make its determination. If such efforts fail to resolve the differences, the disputes will be submitted to arbitration in the District of Columbia before a single arbitrator in accordance with the then current rules of the American Arbitration Association. The arbitration award shall be final and binding upon the parties and judgment may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction.
10. TERMINATION: Either party may terminate this Agreement upon at least fifteen (15) days prior written notice to the other party. NACCHO will pay Contractor for services rendered through the date of termination.
11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: This Agreement contains all agreements, representations, and understandings of the parties regarding the subject matter hereof and supersedes and replaces any and all previous understandings, commitments, or agreements, whether oral or written, regarding such subject matter.
12. PARTIAL INVALIDITY: If any part, term, or provision of this Agreement shall be held void, illegal, unenforceable, or in conflict with any law, such part, term or provision shall be restated in accordance with applicable law to best reflect the intentions of the parties and

the remaining portions or provisions shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be affected.

13. GOVERNING LAW: This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia (without regard to its conflict of law's provisions).
14. ADDITIONAL FUNDING: Unless prior written authorization is received from NACCHO, no additional funds will be allocated to this project for work performed beyond the scope specified or time frame cited in this Agreement.
15. REMEDIES FOR MISTAKES: If work that is prepared by the Contractor contains errors or misinformation, the Contractor will correct error(s) within five business days. The Contractor will not charge NACCHO for the time it takes to rectify the situation.
16. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS: Contractor's use of funds under this Agreement is subject to the directives of and full compliance with 2 CFR Part 200 (Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards), and 45 C.F.R. Part 75 (Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards), It is the Contractor's responsibility to understand and comply with all requirements set forth therein.
17. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Pursuant to 2 CFR 200 Subpart D , Contractor will comply with E.O. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by E.O. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and as supplemented by regulations at 41 C.F.R. part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."
18. DEBARRED OR SUSPENDED CONTRACTORS: Pursuant to 2 CFR 200 Subpart C, Contractor will execute no subcontract with parties listed on the General Services Administration's List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Nonprocurement Programs in accordance with E.O.s 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension."
19. LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS AND DISCLOSURES: Pursuant to 2 CFR 200 Subpart E, Contractor will certify to NACCHO using the required form that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352.

Contractor will also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.

20. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS: Pursuant to 2 CFR 200 Subpart F , Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.).
21. WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION: Pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 4712 employees of a contractor, subcontractor, or subrecipient will not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as reprisal for “whistleblowing.”
22. EXECUTION AND DELIVERY: This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. The counterparts of this Agreement and all Ancillary Documents may be executed and delivered by facsimile or electronic mail by any of the parties to any other party and the receiving party may rely on the receipt of such document so executed and delivered by facsimile or electronic mail as if the original had been received.
23. NOTICE: All notices, including invoices, required to be delivered to the other party pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be sent via facsimile, with a copy sent via US mail, postage prepaid, to the parties at the addresses set forth below. Either party may send a notice to the other party, pursuant to this provision, to change the address to which notices shall be sent.

FOR NACCHO:

National Association of County and City
Health Officials

Attn: _____

Kathleen Semansky
1201 (I) Eye Street NW 4th Fl.,
Washington, DC 20005
Tel. (202) 507-4226
Fax (202) 783-1583
Email: ksemansky@naccho.org

With a copy to:

National Association of County and City
Health Officials

Attn: Ade Hutapea, LL.M., CFCM
Lead Contracts Administrator
1201 (I) Eye Street NW 4th Fl.,
Washington, DC 20005
Tel. (202) 507-4272
Fax (202) 783-1583
Email: ahutapea@naccho.org

FOR CONTRACTOR:

(Name and address of Contractor's Contract Officer or Designee, including telephone and fax.)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the persons signing below warrant that they are duly authorized to sign for and on behalf of, the respective parties.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED AS ABOVE:

NACCHO:

CONTRACTOR:

By: _____

By: _____

Name: Jerome Chester _____

Name: _____

Title: Chief Financial Officer _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Federal Tax ID No.:

Unique ID.: _____

Appendix B

Funding Restrictions

Restrictions, which must be taken into account while writing the budget, are as follows: In accordance with the United States Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance policy, all non-governmental organization (NGO) applicants acknowledge that foreign NGO's that receive funds provided through this award, either as a prime recipient or subrecipient, are strictly prohibited, regardless of the sources of fund, from performing abortions as a method of family planning or engaging in any activity that promotes abortion as a method of family planning, or to provide financial support to any other foreign non-governmental organization that conducts such activities. See Additional Requirement (AR) 35 for applicability (<https://www.cdc.gov/grants/additionalrequirements/ar-35.html>).

- Recipient may not use funds for research
- Recipients may not use funds for clinical care
- Recipients may only expend funds for reasonable program purpose including personnel, travel, supplies, and services, such as contractual.
- Recipients may not generally use HHS/CDC/ATSDR funding for the purchase of furniture or equipment. Any such proposed spending must be identified in the budget.
- The direct and primary recipient in a cooperative agreement program must perform a substantial role in carrying our project objectives and not merely serve as a conduit for an award to another party or provide who is ineligible.

Other than for normal and recognized executive-legislative relationships no funds may be used for: publicity or propaganda purposes, for the preparation, distribution, or use of any material designed to support or defeat the enactment of legislation before any legislative body the salary or expenses of any grant or contract recipient, or agent acting for such recipient, related to any activity designed to influence the enactment of legislation, appropriations, regulation, administrative action, or Executive order proposed or pending before any legislative body.

See [Additional Requirement \(AR\) 12](#) for detailed guidance on this prohibition and [additional guidance on lobbying for CDC recipients](#).

Regarding Purchase of General (i.e. non-specialized) and Specialized Equipment

Requests to use awarded funding to purchase general equipment (excluding vehicles) on behalf of Jurisdiction Health departments or other beneficiary organizations outlined and approved in the associated Work Plan may be considered. Such spending must be identified and itemized, in the budget narrative, explained and justified in the narrative and is subject to review and approval by the Grants Management Official. Costs for purchase of general equipment (excluding vehicles) without approval by the Grants Management Official may be disallowed. Costs for purchase of general vehicles are not allowed.

Requests to use awarded funding to purchase specialized equipment (including specialized vehicles) on behalf of Jurisdictional Health Departments or other beneficiary organizations outlined and approved in the associated narrative may be considered. Such spending must be identified and itemized in the budget narrative, explained and justified in the Work Plan and is subject to review and approval by the Grants Management Official. Costs for purchase of specialized equipment (including specialized vehicles) without approval by the Grants Management Officials may be disallowed.

The recipient can obtain guidance for completing a detailed justified budget on the CDC website at the following Internet address: <http://www.cdc.gov/grants/interestedinapplying/applicationprocess.html>