## Administrative Office of the Courts NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

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# Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO)

## **Conflict Resolution Project Grants**

MACRO's Conflict Resolution Projects Grant Program provides funding for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) programs or projects which support and further its mission to develop, improve, and expand high quality alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services in Maryland's courts, communities, criminal and juvenile justice programs, state and local government agencies, as well as schools and universities for the benefit of the general public.

## **Grant Purpose**

These grants are being offered to benefit the courts and citizens of Maryland with the goal of increasing efficiency in the courts, expanding access to justice and preventing conflicts from escalating into violence or litigation. Categories for funding consideration:

- Starting or Expanding an ADR Program
- Mediator/ADR Practitioner Quality
- Public Conflict Resolution Education
- Conflict Resolution Services
- ADR-related Research

Activities MACRO will not fund: MACRO will not fund religious, political or lobbying activities.

### **Eligible Applicants**

Local Government agencies, non-profits, institutions of higher education

### Availability and Awards of Funds

The availability of funds is contingent upon the provision of funds in the Maryland Judiciary budget by the Maryland General Assembly for Fiscal Year 2018. Applicants who are awarded funding will receive notice in early June of 2017.

Funding Cycle: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

## **Application Forms Available**



## APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Application Release Date: January 11, 2017

Application Due:Thursday, March 30, 2017Documents:Scanned PDF submitted by email onlyEmail:Subject Line: "NOFA#, Applicant Name,Grant Program"

(Please submit emails with the Subject Line as described.) Delivery Address: MACROgrants@mdcourts.gov

## **Grant Submission Checklist**

The following documents must be submitted as one scanned file:

- O Signed Application
- O Proposed Budget with Justification

## **Additional Terms & Requirements**

General Grant Conditions

Fy2018 Special Conditions for the Conflict Resolution Grants

## **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

Participate in person or online

February 28, 2017 – 10:00 to 11:30am 2001 – E/F Commerce Park Dr. Annapolis, MD Conference Room 1 RSVP to <u>MACROgrants@mdcourts.gov</u> to obtain web-link for the meeting. (These meetings are NOT mandatory.)

### Successful Applicant Tools & Tips

- Before submitting your application, read the NOFA, General Conditions, the FY2018 Special Conditions for Conflict Resolution Grants, and application instructions in their entirety.
- If needed, seek guidance with department staff prior to the application deadline.
- Whenever possible, provide timely data in your responses that demonstrates the effectiveness of your program.
- Provide a justification for every budgeted line item.
- Review your application packet before submission.

Questions: MACROgrants@mdcourts.gov or call Alecia Parker at 410-260-3544.