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ENOUGH Grant Program Continuation Award Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Frequently Asked Questions

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Note: Clarifications in this document do not supersede the requirements in the [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#). New questions are highlighted in yellow.

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Award Information

1. Why are new Implementation award amounts less than in FY25?

In Maryland's FY26 budget, the Maryland General Assembly provided the GOC with \$17 million for the ENOUGH grant program and \$2 million for ENOUGH Local Management Board Capacity Building grants. This is **less than half** of the funds originally proposed by Governor Moore. GOC took this into account when developing the FY26 award amounts to ensure the long-term success of the ENOUGH Initiative and design an investment approach that is responsive, equitable, and aligned with community needs.

2. If we apply for Full Implementation funding, will we be considered for Early Implementation funding if we are unsuccessful with the Full Implementation application?

Yes. Grantees that pursue but do not receive Implementation awards will be automatically considered for Early Implementation or Bridge Funding.

3. Can a Community Quarterback apply for BOTH Bridge Funding and Early Implementation funding?

No. Current Plan Development grantees that pursue but do not receive Implementation or Early Implementation awards will automatically be considered for Bridge Funding. See [NOFO](#) Page 4.

4. If a Partnership Development grantee applies for Plan Development, and we are not successful, do we receive bridge funding and/or do we remain part of the ENOUGH program?

Partnership Development grantees will not be considered for Bridge funding. Grantees that are not awarded Plan Development grants in FY26 will continue Partnership Development activities under the FY25 award through June 30, 2026 and will be eligible to apply for Plan Development in FY27, subject to availability of funds.

5. If Plan Development grantees apply for the early implementation grant, which is a 20-month-long grant, will there be an opportunity to apply for Full Implementation during the next fiscal year, FY27, or would we have to wait until FY28 for full implementation?

Yes. Plan Development and Early Implementation grantees may apply for Implementation funds in FY27 subject to availability of funds.

6. Why did GOC shift the grant project period from the state fiscal year (July 1st - June 30th) to October 1st - September 30th?

Based on GOC's learnings from the launch of the ENOUGH Initiative and shaped by the annual legislative budgeting process this shift in the ENOUGH grant awards will allow sufficient time

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in future fiscal years to verify the annual budget appropriations and hold high integrity competitions for new and continuing awards without creating a fiscal cliff for grantees between budget periods or relying on the use of no-cost extensions. Thus providing consistency for grantees moving forward to ensure a routine NOFO process and 12-month award periods.

7. *Why was the Implementation grant period extended from 8 months to 11 months, ending September 30, 2026?*

This extension of the project period is to align with the implementation of the new ENOUGH funding cycle (October 1st - September 30th) in FY27. By extending the FY26 project period through September 30, 2026, GOC is ensuring that there is not a gap in funding when FY27 funds are awarded beginning October 1, 2026.

Eligibility and Application Requirements

8. *Do Plan Development applicants requesting Bridge Funding need to have a completed Neighborhood Action Plan prior to submission?*

No. You need to "demonstrate progress" towards Plan Development activities: Solidify local partnerships, Conduct community asset mapping and needs assessment, Develop Neighborhood Action Plan. See [NOFO](#) page 6.

9. *Can a Partnership Development grantee apply for Early Implementation or Implementation?*

No. Given the current fiscal year's budget limitations and the rigorous technical assistance support delivered to existing Plan Development grantees, the GOC is not permitting Partnership Development grantees to apply for Implementation or Early Implementation funds in FY2026.

10. *Should Plan Development grantees who are still developing the Neighborhood Action Plan accelerate work in order to apply for Early Implementation or Implementation funds in FY26?*

No. Grantees will have the opportunity to apply for funds in FY27, subject to availability of funds. It is important to acknowledge that Community Quarterbacks should honor the pace of the coalition and community and take the time needed to develop robust Neighborhood Action Plans that can be used to develop applications for ENOUGH and non-ENOUGH funding opportunities.

11. *Does the GOC have guidance to provide to communities developing an ENOUGH Needs Assessment or Neighborhood Action Plan?*

Yes. The Governor's Office for Children released this resource for communities: [Needs Assessment, Asset Mapping, and Neighborhood Action Plan Guidance](#). The resource can also be found on our website under ["Support for Communities"](#)

12. *Are new 2025 applicants eligible to submit applications for ENOUGH Grants?*

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Yes. New ENOUGH communities will have the opportunity to apply for a Partnership Development grant in Fiscal Year 2026. New communities are not eligible to apply for Plan Development or Implementation grants. More information on the FY26 New Plan Development NOFO is available [here](#).

Budget

13. If we are awarded FY26 Implementation funding, will our Plan Development funding roll over?

If a grantee is awarded new funds in FY26, the grantee can continue to spend down FY25 funds on approved FY25 grant activities. FY25 funds may not be carried forward for FY26 approved activities. The FY25 grant award period ends on June 30, 2026.

14. Can we apply for Implementation or Early Implementation if we have not fully expended our Plan Development award? Will we “attach” the Implementation award to our previous Plan Development award if we are successful?

Yes you can. You must show that the proposed activities for FY26 are new and not duplicative.

15. Does equipment over \$5,000 need to be returned to the state at the end of the grant period?

As outlined in the ENOUGH Project Commencement Form General Conditions, Equipment Purchase and Guidelines: “Fixed assets purchased, generated or arising from the use of state funds are the sole and exclusive property of the state. The Office has the first right of refusal to reclaim or dispose of the assets, and can also waive its right of recovery. The grantee should not transfer or dispose of any fixed assets purchased with funds from the Office unless prior approval is obtained by the Office. The grantee should first contact the Office prior to any action occurring.

Grantees must maintain internal inventory records for equipment that are procured using ENOUGH funding.”

Review Process

16. Can an applicant for Implementation or Early Implementation propose programs that do not meet the definition of “Evidence-Based” in the [NOFO](#) (page 14)?

Yes, the Governor’s Office for Children acknowledges that some programs proposed by applicants may be pilots or lack an existing evaluation. We encourage applicants to show that all proposed programs have a clear rationale and that they are taking an evaluative approach in the development and implementation of the program. Please note that the definition of

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evidence-based in the NOFO does not state that the entire project must be evidence-based, but rather a project “**component** has been effective in improving a relevant outcome with similar populations or in similar settings.”