GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE FINANCE

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) announces a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for grant funds pursuant to the authority established by the Fiscal Year 2027 Local Budget Act of 2026, to make grant funds available to deliver a diaper bank program. The Director of DHCF has authority to issue grants under Section 6(4) of the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007, effective February 27, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-109; D.C. Official Code 7-771.05(4).

A Request for Applications (RFA) for the below opportunity will be released under a separate announcement with guidelines for submitting the application, review criteria, and DHCF terms and conditions for applying for and receiving funding. The anticipated performance period for this grant is the date of award to September 30, 2027. This grant is contingent upon available funding.

Description of Opportunity:

Diaper Bank Program: One (1) grant of up to $500,000 will be awarded to provide funds for the purchase and distribution of free diapers to eligible parents and legal guardians with infants 3 years of age and under. Eligible families shall include beneficiaries of Medicaid; DC Healthy Families; Health Care Alliance for Adults and Children; Healthy DC Plan; Emergency Rental Assistance Program; Housing Choice Program; Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program; Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program; and Unemployment Insurance. Eligible families shall also include those residing in an emergency shelter, temporary shelter, permanent supportive housing, or transitional housing and those utilizing the services of the diaper bank or diaper program or their affiliated partner organizations. Contingent upon available funding, DHCF may award up to two (2) option years in addition to the base year of the grant.

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must have a demonstrated record of administering a diaper bank or diaper program that collects or purchases diapers and other hygiene products for infants, children, or adults.

All applicants must also be registered organization in good standing with the DC Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection (DLCP), the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR), the Department of Employment Services (DOES), and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and demonstrate Clean Hands certification at the time of application.

A RFA will be released on or around October 23, 2026. The application package will be available online at https://communityaffairs.dc.gov/content/community-grant-program#4 and the DHCF website (https://dhcf.dc.gov/page/dhcf-grant-opportunities). Hard copies of

the application package may be obtained at DHCF, 441 4th St. N.W., Ste 900S, Washington, D.C. 20001, 9th floor reception desk daily from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm.

DHCF will hold a virtual pre-proposal conference on November 2, 2026 at 11:00 AM via Microsoft Teams. Prospective applicants must provide an email address to DHCF to receive notification of amendments or clarifications to the RFA.

Completed applications must be received on or before 4:00 PM on November 23, 2026 to DHCF c/o alisa.bannerjee@dc.gov. Applicants will receive an email receipt notification to verify that their application has been received. No applications will be accepted after the submission deadline. All eligible applications will be reviewed through a competitive process.

For additional information regarding this NOFA, please contact **Alisa Bannerjee, Project Manager, DHCF, Health Care Reform & Innovation Administration at alisa.bannerjee@dc.gov or at 202-719-6612**.