Investment Capital Fund Webinar

July 20, 2010

Agenda

- Introductions and logistics
- Presentation:
- *Applying for year 2 funding for the ICF grant*
- Final questions and answers
- **Introductions**
- **Presenter:** Becky Washington
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    - Director, School Readiness and Partnerships
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- **Technical Support:** Monica Paz
    - Nicole Morales

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Technical Issues

- Purpose of Grant
- This grant is in statute

- 74th Texas Legislature
- Section 7.024 Texas Education Code (TEC)
- "To assist eligible public schools to implement practices and procedures consistent with **deregulation and school restructuring** in order to improve student achievement and to help schools **identify and train parents and community leaders** who will hold the school and the school district accountable for achieving high academic standards."

Description

- Applicant will be challenged to **assess needs** and plan and implement a program that **changes local educational practices** and contributes to students' academic success with measurable results over a four-year period.

Progression of Grant

- Year 1—Planning year
- Year 2—Implementation Phase
- Year 3—Implementation, Sustainability Planning
- Year 4—Implementation, Evaluation, Sustainability

Change from previous cycles

- Cycle 19
- 4 years rather than 1
- Much higher accountability and monitoring
- Required technical assistance
- Increased focus on engaging parent and community

Technical Assistance Contacts

Provided by the Texas Center for District and School Support (formerly SCSI) at Region XIII:

- Becky Washington, Director of Statewide Grants
- Mary Alice Deike, Coordinator, TSSRR
- Donna Calzada, Specialist, TSSRR
- Dan Fuchs, Specialist, TSSRR
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Action Plan Template

- Draft was due on June 7
- Will be an attachment to the RFA with application in e-grants
- Being read by Facilitation Team
  - Contact will be made by the end of Sept.
  - Can be revised throughout grant implementation
  - If amendments needed, facilitation team will advise

Required Event

The Community Action Team (CAT) **will assess the needs** of the students, parents, campus, feeder pattern, and community to develop a Community Action Plan to engage parents, community leaders, and teachers in accomplishing the objectives.

Also Required

The Community Action Team (CAT) **will be expected to continue building a large constituency of parents and training, and organizing them** to meet grant goals.

Important Budgetary Information

- At least 50% of grant total MUST be used to support staff development and parent and community training.
- A maximum of 50% of the grant funds can be expended for student enrichment outside the regular school day.
- $3500 must be budgeted for technical assistance by the TCDSS (formerly SCSI) at Region XIII
- $1500 must be budgeted for registration of the CAT to attend the year 2 conference

Conference

- Tentative Date—January 12-13
- Austin, Texas
- 2 days
- Survey to determine your needs is coming

Important Dates

- July 29, 2010, 5:00 pm CST—Deadline for submitting proposal
- November 1, 2010—Beginning date for year 2
- November 30, 2010—Final expenditure report for year 1 due
- December 31, 2010—Revised final expenditure report

Required Reports

- 2/15/11—Interim Expense Report
- 5/15/11—Interim Progress Report AND Revised Community Action Plan
- 5/15/11—Interim Expense Report
- 8/31/11—Ending date for year 2
- 9/20/11—Expenditure Report for year 2 due
- 9/30/11—Year 2 Progress Report AND Revised Community Action Plan
- 9/30/11—Final Expenditure Report
- 10/31/11—Revised Final Expenditure Report

Things to Remember from Application Guidelines, Part 1

- Page 17—Use of Funds/Reasonable and Necessary Costs

Things to Remember from Application Guidelines, Part 2

- Page 12—MUST supplement, not supplant
- Page 13—Requirement for year 2 conference in Austin and other professional development
- Page 14—Goals, Outcomes, Milestones, Critical Success Factors

Things to Remember from Application Guidelines, Part 2

- Page 16-18—Program Overview
- Page 20—Statutory Requirements
- Page 21—TEA Requirements
- Page 22—Partnership Roles and Responsibilities
- Page 24-27—Performance Measures and Program Evaluation
- Page 30-31—Allowable and non-allowable expenses
- Page 39-48—Guidelines Related to Specific Costs

Campus assignment

- Becky Washington
    - Lanier High School
    - Reagan High School
    - Elgin High School
    - Elgin Middle School
    - Manor High School
    - Smithville Junior High
- Mary Alice Deike
    - Caldwood Elementary School
    - Smith Middle School
    - Vincent Middle School
    - Crockett Junior High
    - Kilgore Intermediate
    - San Augustine Intermediate

    - Sulphur Springs High School
- Dan Fuchs
    - Arlington High School
    - Haltom High School
    - Watauga Middle School
    - Brazos School for Inquiry and Creativity Northwest
    - Daingerfield Junior High
    - Lamar Elementary School
    - Travis Elementary School
    - O'Donnell Elementary School
    - O'Donnell Junior High
    - Ford High School
- Dixie Binford
    - Banquete High School
    - Lorenzo De Zavala
    - La Pryor High School
    - Marion Middle School
    - North Zulch Elementary School
    - Premont High School
    - Premont Junior High
    - School of Choice
    - Refugio High School
    - Taft Junior High
    - Brazos Middle School
    - Waco High School
- Donna Calzada
    - Golden Rule Charter School
    - Attucks Middle School
    - Deady Middle School
    - Dowling Middle School
    - Kandy Stripe Academy
    - Kashmere High School
    - Long Middle School
    - Madison High School
    - Robinson Elementary School
    - Thomas Middle School
    - Westbury High School
    - Worthing High School
    - Schulenburg Elementary School

Next Steps

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