Community Economic Development Grant Recipient Training and Technical Assistance Feedback Survey

Welcome to the Community Economic Development (CED) Grant Recipient Training Feedback Survey!

This is your opportunity to provide input that will inform upcoming grant recipient training and technical assistance opportunities. This needs assessment should take you approximately 10-15 minutes to complete.

We will use the answers you provide to help shape the content of our grant recipient conference and virtual training opportunities and identify training and technical assistance topics most relevant to you as a CED, CED Social Enterprise, or CED Planning grant recipient.

If you have any questions, please contact us at: [OCSRegistrar@icf.com](mailto:OCSRegistrar@icf.com).

# General Information

1. Please provide us with your information:

* Name:
* Title:
* Organization:
* Email:

1. Tell us about your grants:

* CED grant types (select all that apply)
  + Traditional job creation
  + Social enterprise
  + Planning
  + Energy communities
* CED grant number(s):

1. What sector(s) does your CED project address? (select all that apply)

* Manufacturing
* Real estate and housing
* Retail
* Accommodation and Food Services
* Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
* Educational services
* Childcare services
* Healthcare services
* Other (please specify):

1. What strategies does your CED project use? (select all that apply)

* Business incubator
* Social enterprise
* Micro-lending/revolving loan
* Equity investment
* Construction or renovation
* Entrepreneurship
* Mixed-use spaces
* Other (please specify):

1. What community need(s) does your CED project address? (select all that apply)

* Housing
* Transportation
* Childcare
* Healthcare
* Healthy food (i.e., elimination of a food desert, healthy food retail, urban agriculture, etc.)
* Energy communities
* Other (please specify):

# Attendance/Expectations

1. Have you participated in or accessed any of the following training and technical assistance opportunities or resources available to CED grant recipients? (select all that apply)

* Grant recipient conference
* Live webinars
* Pre-recorded training videos/presentations
* Grant recipient conference call (i.e., a call focused on a specific topic or type of project)
* Guidance documents/tools/resources (i.e., written information that can be accessed as needed)
* Online grant recipient toolkit
* None

1. Based on the CED grant recipient training and technical assistance opportunities you identified in the previous question that you participated in, what goals did attending these training opportunities help you achieve? (select all that apply)

* Obtain grant management information
* Develop skills
* Advance community and economic development expertise
* Identify grants and resources for sustaining projects
* Network with presenters and grant recipients
* Other (please specify):

# Training Format

1. Based on the CED grant recipient training and technical assistance opportunities you have attended, which training format(s) do you prefer? (select up to 2)

* CED grant recipient conference
* Live webinars
* Pre-recorded training videos/presentations
* Grant recipient conference call (i.e., a call focused on a specific topic or type of project)
* Guidance documents/tools/resources (i.e., written information that can be accessed as needed)
* Other (please specify):

# Grants Management Topics

Based on your experience with CED grant recipient training and technical assistance, how interested are you in seeing information about the following grants management topics to help you successfully implement your grant?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Very interested** | **Somewhat interested** | **Neutral** | **Somewhat uninterested** | **Not at all interested** |
| Grants management,  policies, procedures,  and resources |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rules and regulations |  |  |  |  |  |
| Payment management information |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reporting and documentation requirements |  |  |  |  |  |
| Managing federal interest |  |  |  |  |  |

# Program Design Training Topics

Based on your experience with CED grant-recipient training and technical assistance, how interested are you in seeing information about the following program design topics to help you successfully implement your grant?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Very interested** | **Somewhat interested** | **Neutral** | **Somewhat uninterested** | **Not at all interested** |
| Managing a business plan |  |  |  |  |  |
| Market analysis |  |  |  |  |  |
| Collecting data |  |  |  |  |  |
| Program sustainability |  |  |  |  |  |
| Project evaluation |  |  |  |  |  |
| Recruiting participants with low income |  |  |  |  |  |
| Social enterprise projects |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sustaining jobs created |  |  |  |  |  |
| Board training/capacity building |  |  |  |  |  |

# Partnership/Collaboration Training Topics

Based on your experience with CED grant-recipient training and technical assistance, how interested are you in seeing information about the following partnership and collaboration topics to help you successfully implement your grant?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Very interested** | **Somewhat interested** | **Neutral** | **Somewhat uninterested** | **Not at all interested** |
| Arranging and financing partnership/collaboration |  |  |  |  |  |
| Business, industry, and economic development |  |  |  |  |  |
| Identifying additional financing |  |  |  |  |  |
| Infrastructure and green building |  |  |  |  |  |
| Federal and private foundation economic development |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gaining community buy-in |  |  |  |  |  |
| Working with businesses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Working with other OCS programs/funds |  |  |  |  |  |
| Working with financial institutions |  |  |  |  |  |
| Working with public officials/agencies |  |  |  |  |  |
| Working with State Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) offices |  |  |  |  |  |

# Community Development Topics

Based on your experience with CED grant-recipient training and technical assistance, how interested are you in seeing information about the following community development topics to help you successfully implement your grant?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Very interested** | **Somewhat interested** | **Neutral** | **Somewhat uninterested** | **Not at all interested** |
| Healthy food |  |  |  |  |  |
| Health disparities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rural community development |  |  |  |  |  |
| Green jobs |  |  |  |  |  |
| Social justice |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wraparound services |  |  |  |  |  |
| High-quality jobs |  |  |  |  |  |
| Services (i.e. childcare, home healthcare, etc.) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Retail |  |  |  |  |  |
| Business incubation |  |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturing |  |  |  |  |  |
| Micro-lending/revolving loan |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate |  |  |  |  |  |
| Financial literacy and asset accumulation for clients |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wraparound support services |  |  |  |  |  |
| Addressing substance abuse issues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Addressing transportation barriers |  |  |  |  |  |

# Populations Served

Which of the following communities are you most interested in learning how to work with and address the needs of in future training and technical assistance opportunities? (select up to 3)

* Individuals with low income
* TANF recipients
* Child Support Enforcement Clients
* Immigrants
* Refugees
* Native American communities
* Individuals who were incarcerated
* Individuals with disabilities
* Individuals with substance use disorders
* Individuals without housing
* Other (please specify):

# Additional Comments

1. Are there any promising practices about your project that you would like to share with other grant recipients in future training and technical assistance opportunities? For example: evaluation tools, systems for tracking participants with low income, managing grant funds, internal guidance, reporting tools, etc. Describe the promising practice, reference any resources used to implement the practice, and explain how the practice impacted the project.
2. Are there any subject matter experts or presenters you would like to recommend presenting at future live or virtual convenings? Please provide the individual's name, contact information (if available), and area of expertise.
3. Based on your experience, are there any training resources, including online resources, that you have found or used that you believe to be particularly helpful and that you would like other CED grant recipients to know about? If so, please list them here.

# Thank you for your time and participation!