

Equitable Food Oriented Development (EFOD) Stakeholder Work Group

Wednesday, September 10, 2020

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

AGENDA

10:00 a.m. Selection of a CDFI – Jewel Bronaugh

- Special Considerations

10:30 a.m. Grant Guideline Review – Jennifer Perkins & Jewel Bronaugh

- Review grant proposal and funding rubric drafts

11:30 a.m. VFAIF Technical Assistance Position – Jennifer Perkins

12:00 a.m. Next Steps – Jewel Bronaugh

- Remaining Timeline
- Next EFOD Work Group Meeting – November 19

12:15 p.m. Public Comment Period

12:30 p.m. Adjourn

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What are CDFIs?

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CDFIs

Community Development Financial Institution

CDFIs are:

- Financial institutions providing loans, lines of credit and other financial services (like banks)
- Not-for-profits whose primary mission is community development (unlike banks)
- Licensed by US Dept. of Treasury to serve a particular target market (often low-income or marginalized communities in particular geography, can have a broad or specific target)
- Often receiving public sector and foundation grants which they lend out to projects that traditional banks would consider “higher risk” projects such as affordable housing or small business lending to achieve community development goals.

Selecting the right CDFI partner

Key questions for choosing the right CDFI for you:

- Does their target market (mission and geography) overlap with the community and clients you wish to serve?
- Do they have relevant experience serving your target clients?
- Are they the “right size” (capitalization, staff numbers, expertise, etc.) to accomplish your goals?
- Are they willing to work with you to accomplish your goals with an approach you approve?

According to the legislation, the selected CDFI must have the following:

- A statewide presence in Virginia
- Experience in food-based lending
- Proven track record of leveraging private and philanthropic funding
- Capability to dedicate sufficient staff to manage the Program

10. If there were any presentations (PowerPoint, etc.), were you able to hear and see them?

Poorly
1 2 3 4 5
Clearly

COMMENT _____

11. Were the members as attentive and did they participate as much as you would have expected?

Less
1 2 3 4 5
More

COMMENT _____

12. Were there differences you noticed in how the members interacted?

With the other members present:

Very Different
1 2 3 4 5
No Difference

With members participating from other locations:

Very Different
1 2 3 4 5
No Difference

With the public:

Very Different
1 2 3 4 5
No Difference

COMMENT _____

13. Did you feel the technology was a help or a hindrance?

Hindered
1 2 3 4 5
Helped

COMMENT _____

14. How would you rate the overall quality of this meeting?

Poor
1 2 3 4 5
Excellent

COMMENT _____

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