

MINOR LEAGUE SPORTS TEAMS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS October 6, 2021

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#### **Program summary**

Governor Tony Evers has designated \$2,800,000 from the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide eligible minor league sports teams in Wisconsin assistance due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Funding for this assistance is provided to Wisconsin by the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The program is administered by the Department of Administration (DOA). Additional details are available on the <u>program website</u>.

Prior to contacting DOA please consult the Grant Announcement, Grant Application and this Question and Answer document available on the <u>Program Website</u>.

U.S. Department of the Treasury ARPA guidance can be found here.

### FOR ALL QUESTIONS RELATED TO APPLICANT ELIGIBLITY

DOA will not respond to inquiries regarding an applicant's specific eligibility. Each applicant is required to determine its eligibility based on program requirements provided in the Grant Announcement. However, DOA will accept and answer questions seeking clarification of eligibility requirements. DOA will determine applicant eligibility only as a routine matter during the application review process after the application deadline has passed. Applicants should carefully review Section 4. Eligibility Requirements of the Grant Announcement prior to applying.

#### 1. Where can I find the application for the program?

Response: The application is available at <a href="https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/MinorLeagueSportsTeamsAssistanceGrants.aspx">https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/MinorLeagueSportsTeamsAssistanceGrants.aspx</a> under the Application heading.

#### 2. When are applications due?

Response: October 15, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. CDT.

#### 3. What is a DFI Entity ID?

Response: Please see <a href="https://www.wdfi.org/corporations/">https://www.wdfi.org/corporations/</a>.

# 4. We have two minor league sports teams that were purchased between 2019 and 2020. So providing a 2019 tax return is a challenge because they cannot compel the previous owner to provide previous tax returns. Is there a way we can handle this?

Response: Applicants which do not have access to 2019 or 2020 federal tax returns may provide total net receipts or another appropriate revenue figure in Section 3. Tax Information. Audited financial statements or other appropriate financial documentation showing the same must be emailed to the Program at minorleaguesportsassistance@wisconsin.gov.

# 5. As we look at applying for the minor league sports grant we want to ensure our ability to keep financial information we provide and attendance figures from being made available to the public. Are we able to provide that information in our grants but keep it private?

Response: The financial information and attendance figures required as part of the application may not be kept confidential and per Section 3.5 of the Grant Announcement may be available for public inspection in accordance with applicable Wisconsin law.

### 6. I have submitted an application but have not gotten any confirmation e-mail. The Docusign forms were confirmed complete, but can you check on the status of my application?

Response: In accordance with Section 2.3 Submitting the Application, "[a]pplicants may opt to receive confirmation that the application has been submitted via the application instructions. The Program will not provide confirmation of completeness of applications. Applicants are responsible to ensure the application is completed in its entirety before submitting the application".

Further instructions on providing confirmation of application submission is available in the application instructions on the Program website: https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/MinorLeagueSportsTeamsAssistanceGrants.aspx