

SAMHSA Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnership for Success: States, Tribes, and Communities Eligible to Apply

On April 12, 2022, SAMHSA released a notice of funding opportunity under the [Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnership for Success \(SPF-PFS\) Grant Program](#). The purpose of the program is to help reduce the onset and progression of substance misuse and its related problems by supporting the development and delivery of state and community substance misuse prevention and mental health promotion services. The SPF-PFS program is based on the [Strategic Prevention Framework \(SPF\)](#), a community engagement model grounded in public health principles, including being data-driven, and focused on providing evidence-based services to underserved communities at high risk. To date, FY18 and FY19 SPF-PFS grant recipients have implemented 571 evidence-based practices, policies, or programs, served 788,002 individual participants, and reached 3,623,276 people through intervention activities.

In FY 2022, SAMHSA is providing increased awards estimated at \$8.8M and the agency will be doing so in increments of up to \$375,000 for 7 communities and up to \$1,250,000 for 5 state applicants. Funding for the existing 229 SPF-PFS grantees, totaling \$98,715,470, will continue as well.

SPF-PFS grant recipients focus on strengthening state and community-level prevention capacity to identify and address local substance use prevention concerns, such as underage drinking, marijuana, tobacco, electronic cigarettes, opioids, and heroin. Using local, state, and national substance use public health data, recipients identify prevention priorities in their communities and develop and implement strategies to prevent the misuse of substances and promote mental health and well-being among youth and adults. Recipients utilize a data-driven approach to identify underserved communities and at-risk sub-populations of focus.

Many communities, through individuals and organizations, have partnered with health departments to improve population health and have even assumed leadership positions to spearhead collaborative efforts. While the legal responsibility for safeguarding and promoting the health of the population rests with governmental public health agencies at the federal, state, and local levels, these partnerships have bolstered overall effectiveness via these collaboration efforts.

SAMHSA recognizes and values the importance of partnership and collaborative approaches in preventing substance misuse. Historically, SAMHSA has funded either states (territories and jurisdiction), tribal, and/or community organizations for substance use prevention. As part of the FY 2022 SPF-PFS grant funding, SAMHSA intends to continue to spur partnerships for prevention by states, tribal, and community organizations. States, tribes, jurisdictions, and community organizations all play vital roles in substance use prevention. States and jurisdictions are involved in prevention from a population-based health perspective. Population health addresses the preventive health outcome of a group of individuals, including the distribution of such preventive health outcomes within the group. Community based prevention has the same goals and employs the same strategies as population and public health but is primarily organized

around a geographic area and may be more heavily involved in local government and policy than other approaches.

The SPF-PFS notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for FY 2022 closes on Monday, June 13, 2022. Prospective applicants are encouraged to attend the upcoming **SPF-PFS NOFO Pre-Application webinar on May 18, 2022, at 2:00 pm Eastern Time**. The webinar will provide an overview of the grant program, eligibility criteria, required/allowable activities, data collection requirements, funding limitations, and application evaluation criteria.

To join the **May 18, 2022, NOFO Pre-Application webinar at 2:00 pm EDT**, please use the information below:

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1616443880?pwd=NkRuZU5NcndrZFprUGExY2RqSEc2dz09>

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