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Discretionary Funding Policies and Procedures

New York City Council

Each year, Council Members allocate discretionary funds to not-for-profit organizations to meet local needs and fill gaps in City agency services. Thus, discretionary spending is a critical tool in meeting the needs of our communities.

Duly appropriated sum of money in the City's expense budget allocated to eligible not-for-profit organizations by the Council or a Council Member.

Unlike competitively awarded Agency contracts, discretionary funding contracts are awarded for a single fiscal year.



How do agencies know if they have been awarded a NYC Council Discretionary Grant?

During each year's budget process, the Council and its Members assign discretionary funds to not-for-profit organizations and agency initiatives to meet needs and fill gaps in City Agency services and local projects.

- 1) Your organization may have received word from the City Council Member's office(s) awarding the grant.
- 2) Listed in the NYC Expense Budget, Schedule C
- 3) You may have received a letter from a NYC agency, i.e., DYCD, telling you that your organization was awarded a grant.



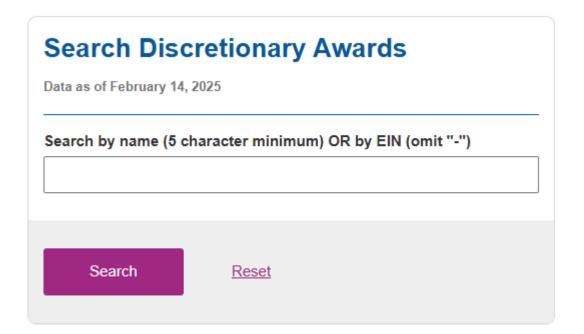


https://www.nyc.gov/site/mocs/opportunities/discretionary-award-tracker.page



The Discretionary Tracker:

- Search the status of all City
 Council Discretionary Awards
 from the past three fiscal years
- Updated about every six weeks, after City Council votes on transparency resolutions.
- It will tell you your award, the amount, its status (cleared or uncleared and what NYC agency is administering it).





The Discretionary Tracker:

- •Guide: Understanding NYC Council Discretionary Funding: https://www.nyc.gov/assets/mocs/downloads/PASSPort/learning-to-use-passport/Guide_UnderstandingCityCouncilDiscretionaryFunding.pdf
- •Discretionary Checklist: https://www.nyc.gov/assets/mocs/downloads/PASSPort/learning-to-use-passport/DiscretionaryFundingChecklist.pdf



- 1. City Council Award Clearance & Vetting
- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
- 3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort
- 4. Contract Registration
- 5. Invoicing & Contract Management



1. City Council Award Clearance

City Council begins a thorough vetting process to assess integrity, compliance, and service delivery. If a discretionary provider's award(s) is still pending City Council Clearance after the release of Schedule C in June, contact the City Council Discretionary Unit at discretionary@council.nyc.gov.

If an award is associated with a Council Member (Council Member Item), the awardee may also reach out to their City Council Member's Office for support. While organizations should be prepared to address any integrity issues, pending City Council Clearance may also mean that the organization has not submitted all required application Member's Nonprofits:

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2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance

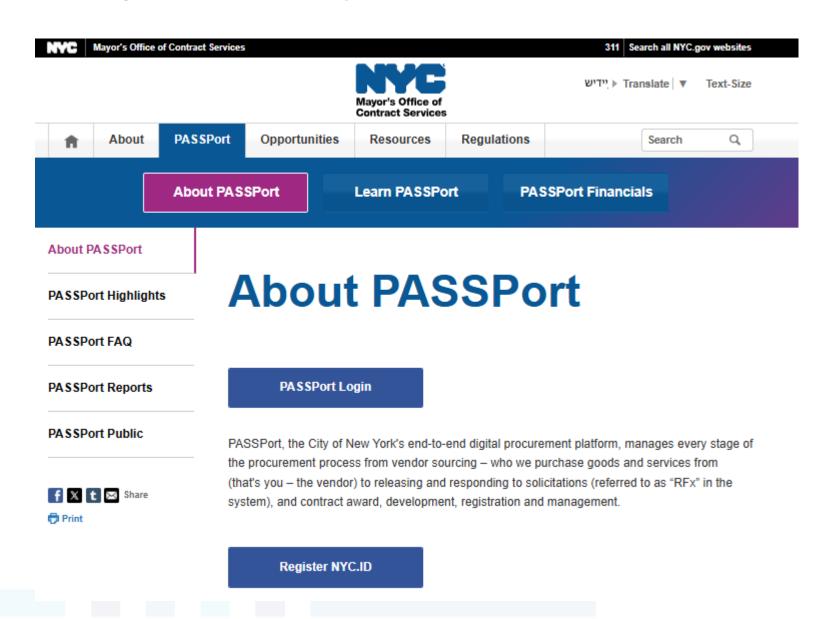
Every discretionary provider must complete the following to progress towards contracting:

- a) Request (and get approved) a vendor PASSPort Account.
- b) Complete (and maintain) HHS Prequalification in PASSPort.
- c) Complete the Capacity Building Training (e-course).

NOTE: Awardees solely funded by DCLA are only required to have an approved DCLA Cultural Development Fund Application, complete the Capacity Building Training, and receive City Council Clearance.



- 2. Complete
 Procedural
 Requirements for
 Award Clearance
- a) Request (and get approved) a vendor PASSPort Account.



- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
- b) User Roles for Completing HHS Prequalification





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- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
- b) User Roles for Completing HHS Prequalification





- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
- b) User Roles for Completing HHS Prequalification

The Vendor Admin is the only contact that may add and edit user roles.

Your Vendor Profile in HHS Prequalification must have at least one Contact with the Vendor Admin or Vendor Procurement L2 Role



- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearanceb) HHS Prequalification Application OR PQL
- Necessary Documents for Upload:
- Certificate of Incorporation (include amendments, if applicable)
- By-Laws
- Board of Directors List
- IRS Determination Letter 501(c)3
- Your Organization's Conflict of Interest Policy
- Your Organization's Whistleblower Policy



2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearanceb) HHS Prequalification Application OR PQLCharities Filings

Determining HHS Prequalification Application Filing Documents

The Table below provides guidance on the required Filing Documents for nonprofit organizations. Identify the Type of Nonprofit Organization that applies to your organization to see which Filing Documents are required for submission with your organization's HHS Prequalification (PQL) Application. If your organization is required to submit multiple documents, combine into a single document and upload to your HHS PQL Application through the Documents Tab.

	Filings Documents Required by Charities & HHS Prequalification Application					Exempt from Annual Filings Documents:
Type of Nonprofit Organization	Char410	Char500	IRS 990 form	CPA Reviewed <u>Report</u>	CPA Reviewed <u>Audit</u>	Exemption Letter & 12-month Financial Statement
Nonprofit Corp. new to Filing w/ Charities** (within the last year)	✓•					
Nonprofit Corp. Revenue \$25K & under*+		٧.				
Nonprofit Corp. Revenue over \$25K to \$250K*†		4.	4.			
Nonprofit Corp. Revenue over \$250 to \$1M**		\$	÷	\$		
Nonprofit Corp. Revenue over \$1M*+		4.	4.		å	
Nonprofit Corp. Exempt from Filing w/ Charities (determined by the Charities Bureau)†						√ •

^{*}Required documents are typically based on your organization's revenue. Please research and review the Nonprofit Revitalization Act/New York State Regulations.

^{*} For specific questions related to your Charities Filings that are unique to your organization: Please reach out, directly, to the Charities Bureau.

^{**}New to Registering with the Charities Bureau? Register via their online portal today and upload the completed Char410 form to your Prequalification application.

Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
 HHS Prequalification Application OR PQL
 Charities Filings DATES

Validity Period:

- Begin Date: Date the HHS Prequalification is submitted.
- Expiration Date: Depends on the extended due date of your annual filing cycle.





- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
- c) Capacity Building Training (e-course)

- If the discretionary award tracker displays "Complete Capacity Building Training" when you search for your organization's awards, a member of your organization's board or executive staff must complete the Capacity Building Training for NYC Council Funded Nonprofits.
- Awardees that receive \$750,000 or more in cumulative discretionary funding (per fiscal year) are exempt from completing City Council's Capacity Building Training.
- Awardees are required to complete City Council's Capacity Building Training and obtain certification if they receive cumulative discretionary funding (per fiscal year) that amounts to less than \$750,000.
- The Discretionary Award Tracker will automatically reflect when an organization meets exemption from the training requirement. The training must be completed by an officer or executive of the funded organization.
- Once you complete the training, you will receive a certificate confirming that you have fulfilled the Capacity Building Training requirement. That certificate is valid for three years after the date of completion.

- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
- c) Capacity Building Training (e-course)

You have 30 days to complete it once you register and takes about 90 minutes to complete. It covers:

Legal Compliance

Board Governance

Financial Management

The certificate flows with the individual who completed the course!



2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearancec) Capacity Building Training (e-course)

- Who should take the training?
- Board Member
- Executive Staff



- 2. Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance
- c) Capacity Building Training (e-course)

To enroll:

Capacity Building Training at http://mocs.matrixlms.com
using code UDKE-BQAO



Capacity Building Training:





certificates are issued to participants, not organizations



certification is valid for 3 years after date of completion



progresses when learner clicks on all parts of each module



3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort

Currently, the following agencies process award registrations **outside of PASSPort**:

- · Department of Cultural Affairs (DCLA).
- The City of New York Department of Sanitation (DSNY)
- Office of Emergency Management (OEM)
- · NYC Office of Technology and Innovation (OTI)
- · All Non-Mayoral Agencies (including The City University of New York-CUNY and NYC Health and Hospitals Cooperation-HHC)
- · Certain programs administered by Department of Education (DOE), Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH), and Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice (MOCJ).

3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort

In PASSPort, discretionary award contracts will have a status of **Draft** until the Agency initiates the contract.

Once an agency has initiated the award contract, the contract will have a status of **In Progress**.

THEN you will be able to view additional information, including the Milestones Tracker, which contains a list of contract tasks and their corresponding statuses. Among these tasks is **Vendor Document Submission**.



3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort

There are three tabs a Discretionary Provider must complete within their Award Contract before they can submit the Vendor Document Submission Task:

- a) the Sites tab,
- b) the **Documents** tab, and
- c) the LL34 Compliance tab.



- 3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort
- a) Sites

Add an address to indicate where services will be delivered. You may add multiple sites per contract and label per award if appropriate.



3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort

b) Documents

- <u>Certification Regarding Substantiated Cases of Client Abuse or Neglect</u>
- Conflict of Interest Disclosure and Compliance Certification
- Lobbying Certification Form
- Proof of insurance (obtained from Insurance Broker):
- Insurance Broker's Certification
- o Disability Insurance
- o General Liability Insurance
- o Workers' Compensation
- Tax Affirmation
- •EO 64 Certification and Policies (uploaded to PASSPort Vendor Profile)
- •If utilizing subcontractors or consultants:
- o Exhibit B Coversheet Subcontractor Approval Form
- Exhibit B Conflict of Interest Disclosure and Compliance Certification



3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort

b) Documents

To fully expand the list of documents requested by the Agency within the contract, please click on the double down arrow button at the far right of the screen. This will **expand the list** and allow the user to see all the documents that must be uploaded before the task can be submitted for review.



3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort

b) Documents

Submitting Requested Documents

- The Documents tab can be found on the left blue bar.
- Complete each Requested Document Type (outside of PASSPort) templates are available on nyc.gov/nonprofits, under Funding Opportunities tab, <u>City Council Discretionary Funding</u>.
- Upload completed documents by clicking Add Documents in Vendor Documents.
- Select the corresponding requested document type from the popup list, fill out any additional required fields, and upload the completed document.
- When creating a document name, please use the naming conventions provided in the <u>Discretionary Contracting Document Naming Guide.</u>
- □ For documents that require adjustments before final approval (e.g., scopes of work and budgets), contracting Agency may request provider to share and revise them outside of PASSPort. Once finalized, provider may then upload them to PASSPort, as requested.



Additional Resource: Contract Registration for Vendors User Manual – Section 3.3 Documents
Tab Overview, Section 3.4 Vendor Document Upload



- 3. Contract Tasks in PASSPort
- c) LL34 Compliance (digital version of Doing Business Data Form)

MUST be completed by the Vendor Admin – you have to check the "LL34" box next to the contact's name within the Vendor Profile.

Completing LL34

- LL34 Compliance can be found on the left blue bar.
- ☐ LL34 replaces the former Doing Business Database Form and must be completed by the Vendor Admin. Once a contract is initiated by the Agency, the Vendor Admin cannot be changed for LL34 completion.
- Select the organization's Principal Officers by clicking the ellipsis (box with three dots) and selecting the appropriate individual(s) in the Add Contact popup window.
- Exclude any officer titles that are not applicable to your organization by selecting the checkmark next to the title.
- Select "entity is not for profit" under Principal Owners.
- Add at least one Senior Manager by clicking the ellipsis.



Additional Resource: Contract Registration for Vendors User Manual - Section 3.7 LL34 Compliance Tab



4. Contract Registration

Contracting Task: Completing and Submitting a Budget

The contracting agency will notify the discretionary provider when it is time to complete and submit their contract budget, also referred to as the Purchase Order (PO).

The budgeting and invoicing processes are managed in PASSPort. An organization's users may receive a notification from PASSPort when it is time to work on their contract budget.

Please reach out to your agency contact(s) for additional information about their respective agency's process for completing and submitting a budget.

The Office of the City Comptroller has up to 30 days to review and register the contract.

4. Contract Registration

Reviewing Contract Agreement

- Vendor Admin(s) will receive email notification from PASSPort when it is time to review the contract agreement. They can also find the contract agreement in Authoring Documents within Documents.
- Select the Vendor Contract Signatory to kick off DocuSign electronic signature.
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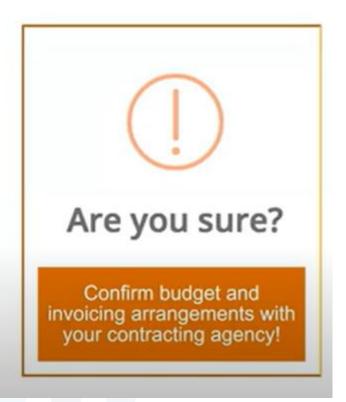
Additional Resource: Contract Registration for Vendors User Manual – Section 3.5 Vendor Contract Agreement Overview



5. Invoicing & Contract Management

The discretionary award payment process is based on a reimbursement model







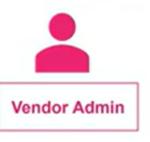
5. Invoicing & Contract Management EXCEPTIONS:

- DCLA
- If your contract is managed through DYCD Fiscal Agent YMS



5. Invoicing & Contract Management PASSPort

PASSPort Financials User Roles



- · Edit and submit budget modifications
- · Edit and submit invoices
- Manage contacts



Vendor Financials Level 2

- Edit and submit budget modifications
- · Edit and submit invoices



5. Invoicing & ContractManagementScope of Work

FY 2025 Workscope

Provider's Name		DYCD	
		PIN:	
Executive Director		Email:	
		Telephone:	
Program Name			
Program		Email:	
Director/ Coordinator		Cell:	
Provider's Main			
Address			
City	State	Zip	

Discretionary Awards for this Contract

MOCS ID (Ex. FY25 05210)	Purpose of Funds (Use exact language as NYC's Budget and Schedule C)	Program Services Describe in detail program daily operations (Ex. After School Program servicing students from 5-12 yrs. Old. Daily scheduled activities include Homework Help for 1 hour, STEAM activities for 45 min and Basketball/Swimming for 45 min. We play organized sports on Fridays.)
1.		
2.		
3.		

5. Invoicing & ContractManagementScope of Work

INITIATIVES

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Select Funding Initiative – (The initiative(s) prov		
**Select all that apply, based on the initiative(s) a	pproved on the latest cleared list	
A Greener NYC	Access to Healthy Food and	Adult Literacy Initiative
I dictal Nic	Nutritional Education	I man Eneracy initiative
After School Enrichment Initiative	Anti-Poverty	
Arter School Enrichment Initiative	And-roverty	☐ Big Brothers/Big Sisters
☐ Boroughwide Needs Initiative	□ CASA	Census 2020
Boloughwide Needs Initiative	L CASA	Census 2020
☐ City's First Readers	Civic Education in New York	Communities of Color
City s That Readers	City Schools	Communicies of Color
Cultural Immigrant Initiatives	CUNY Citizenship Now	☐ Digital Inclusion and
		Literacy
Diversity, Inclusion and Equity in Tech	☐ Educational Program for	☐ Food Pantries
Initiative	Students	
Green Jobs	☐ Jill Chaifetz Helpline	☐ Job Training and Placement
	D I CREAT L L C L L	
☐ Key to the City	☐ LGBTQ Inclusive Curriculum	☐ Local
☐ NYC Clean Up	☐ Parks Equity	☐ Physical Ed and Fitness
☐ Speakers Initiative	☐ Sports Training and Role Models	Step In and Stop It Initiative
Speakers initiative	for Success (STARS) Initiative	to Address Bystander
	Tot success (STILLES) Illinuity	Intervention
☐ Trans Equity Program	☐ Veteran's Community	☐ Young Women's Leadership
	Development	Development
☐ Youth Build Project Initiative	☐ Youth	☐ LGBTQ Inclusive
		Curriculum
Other (explain)		
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5. Invoicing & Contract Management

Scope of Work

Age Group
□ Pre-K □ Kinder/Elementary School □ Middle School □ High School □ Adult (18+) □ Senior (62+)
Licenses
SACC (School Age Child Care) Lic. # List SACC license number for applicable programs (services to children) and any other applicable license and corresponding license number below: Other License: Lic. #:
Scope of Services
■ Neighborhood Wide ■ Borough Wide ■ City Wide Indicate Neighborhood. If "Neighborhood Wide" was checked, list which neighborhood(s) your programs occur in. (Ex. Bushwick, Soho):

5. Invoicing & ContractManagementScope of Work

ONE DAY EVENTS

Time:

Event Date:

Type of Event

Event Contact Pe	erson						
Contact Telephor E-mail Event Location /	ne /						
	PROG	RAM SO	CHEDUI	LE .			
Program Name							
Site Name (Ex. PS 128)							
Site Address							
Program Schedule Description							
(Brief description of program schedu	l-\						
(Brief description of program schedu	ie)						
Projected Participant Enrollment	Projected Daily Participant Volunteers in the program (Y/N) Attendance (ADA)			(Y/N)			
Start &	End Dates, D	avs of the W	eek and Hour	s the program i	s in session*		
					essions/week ar	nd # of hours/	week
Program Start Date				Program			
				End Date			
# of hours per week				Sessions			
-				per week			
Program Hours** (ex. 3 p.m6 p.m.)	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

^{**}Indicate program <u>hours, and</u> add 'X' underneath the days of the week that the program is in operation for the hours indicated. Use additional lines as needed.

5. Invoicing & ContractManagementScope of Work

DEMOGRAPHICS

Provide unduplicated enrollment numbers for all activities excluding one day events.

All 'TOTAL' rows should be equal.

Ethnicity	#
Hispanic/Latino(a)	
Non- Hispanic/Latino(a)	
TOTAL	

Race	#
White/Caucasian	
Black/African American	
Asian	
Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander	
American Indian / Alaska Native	
Other	

Ages	#
0-4	
5-9	
10-13	
14-16	
17-24	
24+	

Borough	#
Bronx	
Brooklyn	
Manhattan	
Queens	
Staten Island	
Citywide*	
*Please do not include	

Gender	#
Male	
Female	
Non-Conforming Gender	

TOTAL

5. Invoicing & Contract Management Budget

BUDGET

NARRATIVE OF HOW FUNDING/BUDGET WILL BE USED (Please include every line item that has funds allocated in your DISCRETIONARY budget.)				
Total Contract Amount:	Fill in total amount awarded in Discretionary funding			
Funds will be used for:				
Personnel Services				
☐ Salaries and Wages	☐ Fringe Benefits	Central Insurance Program (CIP)		
Non-Staff Services				
Consultants	Subcontractors	☐ Stipends		
☐ Vendors	Fiscal Conduit			
Other Than Personnel Services				
Consumable Supplies	Equipment Purchase	Equipment Other		
Space Cost	☐ Travel	Utilities & Telephone		
Other Operational Costs	☐ Van Maintenance	Fiscal Agent Services		



5. Invoicing & Contract Management Budget

PERSONNEL

*If you selected Salaries and Wages. List the names and tittles of the salaried employees allocated to this contract. In case of staff change during FY, indicate name of currently employed staff.

Full Name	Title (List Internal Title & DYCD	FT/PT
	Budget Title	

Full Name	Title (List Internal Title & DYCD Budget Title	FT/PT



5. Invoicing & Contract Management Budget

Detail of Other Operational Costs (Line 3710 in Budget)

Category	Amount	
Admissions Fees		
Audit Fees		
Awards		
Bank Charges		
Computer Set Up/Wiring Costs		
General Liability Insurance		
Food and Refreshments		

Category	Amount	
Participant T-Shirts/Uniforms		
Postage		
Printing		
Publication Fees		
Sporting/Recreational/Program Supplies		
Subscription Costs		
Other (list in detail):		

(Attach additional pages as needed)



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- 1. A copy of your Bank Statement
- 2. A voided check or a letter from your bank.

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Timeline = 6 weeks, January - February

Complete Procedural Requirements for Award Clearance

Timeline = February - June

- Address all application requirements and documents for City Council Clearance.
- Request a PASSPort Account.
- Submit an HHS Prequalification (PQL) Application in PASSPort.
- Complete the online Capacity Building Training.
- □ Check Award Designations
 - □ Check Schedule C (Timeline = June July)
 - ☐ Check City Council Transparency Resolution (Timeline = July May)
- □ Check the Discretionary Award Tracker

Timeline = July – End of Fiscal Year (June 30th)

- Confirm Discretionary Award Status.
- Identify pending Procedural Requirements.
- □ Complete Contracting Tasks in PASSPort

Timeline = After Award Clearance

- □ Complete Vendor Document Submission.
- Complete Vendor Final Review.
- Complete DocuSign E-Signature Transaction.
- □ Contract Management
 - □ Submit Budget.
 - □ Submit Invoices (upon contract registration).
 - ☐ Get paid!



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