

SENATE BILL 105: 2021 Appropriations Act, Sec. 9B.9: Competitive Grant/Nonprofit Organizations

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OVERVIEW: Section 9B.9.(a) of S.L. 2021-180, as amended by Section 3.1 of S.L. 2022-6, provides that of the funds appropriated in the 2021 Appropriations Act to the Division of Central Management and Support, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), for each year of the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, specified amounts must be allocated to nonprofit organizations.

Section 9B.9.(b) of the act requires DHHS to continue administering a competitive grants process for nonprofit funding and to administer a plan that includes the following specified minimum criteria:

- A request for application (RFA) process to allow nonprofits to apply for and receive State funds on a competitive basis.
- A requirement that nonprofits match a minimum of 15% of the total amount of the grant award.
- A requirement that the Secretary prioritize grant awards to those nonprofits that can leverage non-State funds in addition to the grant award.
- A process that awards grants to nonprofits that have the capacity to provide services on a statewide basis and that support specified State health and wellness initiative.
- A process that ensures that funds received do not supplant existing funds for health and wellness programs and initiatives.
- A process that allows grants to be awarded to nonprofits for up to two years.
- A requirement that the initial disbursement of the grants be awarded no later than 30 days after certification of the State budget for the respective fiscal year.
- A requirement that nonprofits awarded grants use no more than 15% of their total proposed expenditures for administrative costs.

Section 9B.9.(c) of the act instructs the Secretary of DHHS to announce the recipients of the competitive grants and to allocate funds to the grant recipients as specified in this section no later than July 1 of each year. The Secretary of DHHS must submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services on the grant awards by September 1 of each year.

Section 9B.9.(d) of the act requires each nonprofit organization receiving funding under this section in the respective fiscal year to submit a written report of all activities funded by State appropriations no later than December 1 of each fiscal year to the Division of Central Management and Support.

Section 9B.9.(e) of the act allocates the following in each year of the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium: \$350,000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters; \$1,625,000 (and \$1,600,000 in Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funds) to Triangle Residential Options for Substance Abusers, Inc.; \$2,750,000

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to Boys and Girls Clubs; \$250,000 to Cross Trail Outfitters; \$250,000 to North Carolina Senior Games; and \$250,000 to Special Olympics North Carolina.

This section became effective July 1, 2021.