

# Administrative Office of the Courts

## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

NOFA #: N20-0005-25G

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### Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO)

#### **Conflict Resolution Project Grants**

MACRO's Conflict Resolution Projects Grant Program provides funding for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) programs or projects which support and further its mission to develop, improve, and expand high quality alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services in Maryland's courts, communities, criminal and juvenile justice programs, state and local government agencies, as well as schools and universities for the benefit of the general public.

#### **Grant Purpose**

These grants are being offered to benefit the courts and people of Maryland with the goal of increasing efficiency in the courts, expanding access to justice, and preventing conflicts from escalating into violence or litigation.

Categories for funding consideration:

- **Starting or Expanding an ADR Program**
- **Mediator/ADR Practitioner Quality**
- **Public Conflict Resolution Education**
- **Conflict Resolution Services**
- **ADR-related Research**

Activities MACRO will not fund:

MACRO will not fund religious, political, or lobbying activities.

#### **Eligible Applicants**

**Courts and local government agencies, non-profits, institutions of higher education**

#### **Availability and Awards of Funds**

The availability of funds is contingent upon the provision of funds in the Maryland Judiciary budget by the Maryland General Assembly for Fiscal Year 2019. Applicants who are awarded funding will receive notice in early June of 2018.

**Funding Cycle: July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020**

**Application Forms Available**

### APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION

**Application Due: Tuesday, March 26, 2019**

Documents: Scanned PDF submitted by email only  
Email: Subject Line: "NOFA#, Applicant Name"  
*(Please submit emails with the Subject Line as described.)*  
Delivery Address: [MACROgrants@mdcourts.gov](mailto:MACROgrants@mdcourts.gov)

#### **Grant Submission Checklist**

*The following documents must be submitted as one scanned file:*

- Signed Application and Narrative Project Description
- Performance Goals Statement
- Proposed Budget with Justification

#### **Additional Terms & Requirements**

The following terms and conditions apply to all applications and awards associated with this NOFA.

- Maryland Judiciary General Grant Conditions
- FY2020 Special Grant Conditions for Conflict Resolution Projects

#### **TECHNICAL SESSIONS**

The following sessions are available for grant applicants to ask questions MACRO's Conflict Resolution Grants.

##### **Community Conferencing**

January 28, 2019 – 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

##### **Courts and Other ADR Projects**

February 5, 2019 – 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Contact [MACROgrants@mdcourts.gov](mailto:MACROgrants@mdcourts.gov) to obtain meeting location/web-link.

*(Attendance is NOT mandatory.)*

#### **Successful Applicant Tools & Tips**

- **Read the entire application, General Conditions, and the Special Grant Conditions for Conflict Resolution Grants.**
- If needed, seek guidance with department staff prior to the application deadline.
- Provide a justification for each budget line item.
- **Review your application packet before submission.**

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