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**Administration of the Water Utility Relief Program for the City of St. Louis**  
**24RFP027 Question and Answer #1 dated 7/1/24**

*Please note the following questions and answers for the Water Utility Relief Program Administration Request for Proposals that is due 7/ 25/24. Also note that the last day to submit questions is 7/8/24.*

- 1) QUESTION: Section IV – Submission & Deadline, Page 6 - Is the Water Services Division looking for one agency to administer all or are you expecting to make multiple awards?  
a) ANSWER: The Professional Services Agreement Selection Committee has the freedom to select one or multiple vendors.
  
- 2) QUESTION: Section IV – Submission & Deadline, Page 6 - When do you anticipate awarding funds / when the project would start?  
a) ANSWER: Before any funds are released a contract will need to be negotiated so it is not possible to fully answer that question at this time as that is a part of the contract negotiation process. The project start date will be agreed upon between the vendor and the Water Services Division.
  
- 3) QUESTION: Section V – Required Qualifications & Certifications, #5 Fee Proposal, Page 7 - The RFP does not give an indication of the amount of total funds available for the program. It only states the number of households delinquent and by how much. What is the amount of funds available? Is there a maximum or minimum amount? Because funding is via ARPA, do you prefer the timeline to expend funds to households by September 2026? -  
a) ANSWER: The City of St. Louis has \$1M allocated for this project with no more than 10% to be used for administrative fees.
  
- 4) QUESTION: Is there preference for applicants to have a city-wide focus versus a particular geographic focus area within the city?  
a) ANSWER: Vendors should have the capacity to serve residents of the City of St. Louis.

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