

2018 Mentorship Program Solicitation

(Solicitation No. 2018-JAII-01)

Questions & Answers

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1.	The solicitation mentions funding "multi-year projects" with an intended maximum grant award of \$100,000. Would that \$100,000 be issued at once, up front or through reimbursements over an extended grant period?	The MassTech Collaborative disburses grant funds on a reimbursement basis in accordance with the budget, payment terms, schedules, and other terms and conditions established in Project Grant Agreements.
2.	What is the total size of the grant pool? How many grants are going to be awarded? In each category?	MassTech has allocated \$475,000 for this solicitation. While MassTech is under no obligation to award this full amount we hope to receive quality proposals that enable us to make numerous awards under both financial tiers.
3.	Can a portion of the grant be applied to strategic planning for the expansion and development of programs?	Yes.
4.	Per page 19, under, the Payments section, subheading Indirect Costs Cost/ Overhead (5, a, ii): Where can we find the instructions for calculating the "applicable regulation" that we should use to calculate our indirect cost? We do not have a government-approved rate.	Applicants who do not have a government approved rate are encouraged to calculate an overhead rate based on actual expenses incurred. MassTech will review these rates for reasonableness before including in a contracted budget.
5.	With regard to the Application Timeline (Pg. 5 Section 4.2) Where on the website will the changes to target dates, answers to questions etc., be posted?	http://masstech.org/2018-mentoring-program-solicitation



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6.	Is there an option to ask for a multi-year award, i.e., 100k per year for fiscal year 2019, 2020 and 2021?	Applications can submit for multi-year projects, however MassTech has no intention of committing to more than \$100,000 for Tier 1 applications and \$25,000 for Tier 2 applications. Follow-on funding requests will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis or through the issuance of an additional solicitation(s).