

Notice of Grant Opportunity
Illinois Department of Public Health
Hospital Capital Investment Program

In accordance with the requirements of Section 2310-640 of the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law [20 ILCS 2310/2310-640] and 77 Ill. Adm. Code 976.90, notice is given of a grant opportunity from the Illinois Department of Public Health through the Hospital Capital Investment program.

The program allows qualifying hospitals to apply for grants to fund projects to improve or renovate a hospital's physical plant, or to improve, replace or acquire equipment or technology. Projects can include activities to satisfy building code, safety standards, or life safety code; maintain, improve, renovate, expand, or construct buildings or structures; maintain, establish, or improve health information technology; or maintain or improve safety, quality of care, or access to care.

Two types of awards are available: Safety Net and Community Hospital grants. Safety Net grants are for hospitals that meet the eligibility criteria at 77 Ill. Adm. Code 976.60(a). Grant awards range from \$4,600,000 to \$7,000,000. Community Hospital grants are for hospitals that meet the eligibility criteria at 77 Ill. Adm. Code 976.60(b). Grant awards range from approximately \$350,000 to \$1,000,000. The grants' qualifying criteria are at:

<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/077/077009760B00600R.html>

The grant's application materials are at: <http://www.idph.state.il.us/fundop.htm>

Prior to submitting a grant application, hospitals need to submit a letter of intent to the Department. The letter will help determine if a hospital qualifies to apply and will notify the Department of an impending application. The letter must contain identifying information, such as the: hospital name, hospital's owner / operator, project description, and applicant contact information. Specific requirements on the letter of intent are listed at 77 Ill. Adm. Code 976.100 and can be found at:

<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/077/077009760B01000R.html>

The Department's Center for Rural Health administers the grant program. Questions regarding the letter of intent, application or grant program can be directed to:

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Center for Rural Health
535 West Jefferson Street, Ground Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761-0001
217-782-1624
217-782-2547 (fax)
(TTY# 800-547-0466)
DPH.CRH@illinois.gov

Applications must be received by the Department within 120 calendar days of the date of this notice's publication. Applications received after this deadline will not be accepted. Letters of

Intent must be received by the Department at least 10 calendar days prior to the submission of a grant application. The letter can be submitted at any time after this notice's publication. Both the letter and application materials can be submitted to the address listed above or can be sent electronically to the above referenced e-mail address.

Applications are considered public records as allowed by law. Individuals wanting to review applications or obtain copies should contact the Department's Freedom of Information Officer at 217-782-3987 or http://www.idph.state.il.us/about/foia_10.htm