

McGovern-Dole FY2022 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Questions and Answers

Week of April 25, 2022 – Final Q&A document

- 1. Q: Despite following USDA Guidance and applying earlier, some of our proposed subrecipients have not yet been issued their Unique Entity Identifier numbers. What should we do if these UEI numbers are not issued by the Application deadline date on Friday, May 6?**

A: The McGovern-Dole FY 2022 NOFO states under Section C, Part 2. Eligibility Criteria (page 12) that “All subrecipients listed in the proposal must have a current Unique Entity Identified (UEI) number”. USDA recognizes that despite following instructions to begin UEI registration processes early, a number of new subrecipients are experiencing delays in received their UEIs through the U.S. Government system. In recognition that these particular delays are beyond the Applicant’s, subrecipient’s or USDA’s control, USDA is prepared to accept applications on May 6 that provides proof of a UEI for the proposed subrecipient is still in pending status. An example of proof would be a screenshot of the application receipt. Note, that all subrecipient organizations must also have an active SAM registration and an UEI before the subaward is signed, unless the organization has an exemption approved by FAS under 2 CFR Section 25.110 (d).

Note that this flexibility on UEI for subrecipients is ONLY for proposed subrecipients listed in the Proposals. All prime Applicants must have an active registration in the SAM database at www.sam.gov – pending or expired registrants are not eligible AND all prime Applicants must include valid Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) in the organizational unit section of Block 8 of the SF-424. These requirements for prime Applicants must be met by the closing date of the announcement and will not be waived.