

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS INFORMAL SOLICITATION FOR THE RESPITE MINISTRY GRANT

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

I. STATEMENT OF INTENT:

The State of Tennessee, Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, hereinafter referred to as the Department, intends to award non-recurring grants for the fiscal year 2025 (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025). These funds are to be awarded to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations across the state on a competitive basis for the purpose of developing and implementing respite programs for individuals and families with intellectual and developmental disabilities. These programs should establish a safe place of rest for the individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. The maximum award possible for each grant shall be \$25,000. Because the funds shall be non-recurring,

they are to be used primarily for start-up costs for the program. Recurring operations will be funded solely by the applicant on an ongoing basis.

II. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- A. Submission of Grant Application:
 - 1. The Department is asking for applications to be submitted digitally, via email, to:

Braden Odom Director of Special Projects Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities E-mail: braden.odom@tn.gov

- 2. The grant application shall be received at the above listed e-mail addresses no later than 4:00 p.m. (Central Standard Time), June 14, 2024
- Submissions must be labeled:
 Applicant Name * Request for Applications Respite Ministry Grant *
- 4. Applicants may include files and attachments to their submission in addition to the answers requested in the application form.
- B. <u>Schedule for Grant Application Evaluation and Award:</u>

1.	Release of Request for Applications	April 22, 2024
2.	Pre-response conference	May 6, 2024
3.	Final date for written questions from Applicants	May 31, 2024
4.	Application due date to the State	June 14, 2024
5.	Evaluation Team completes the evaluation and submits	July 26, 2024
	recommendations	
6.	Notification and clarifications between the Department and	July 29, 2024
	prospective Grantees completed	

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1.	Projected grant start date	October 1, 2024

Note: The Department reserves the right to adjust this schedule as it deems necessary, at its sole discretion.

C. All communications in reference to this Notice shall be directed to:

Braden Odom Director of Special Projects Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities E-mail: <u>braden.odom@tn.gov</u>

D. Grant Duration:

This grant funding shall be available from October 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

*Subject to change dependent on applications received.

DI. Funds Available:

Funds shall be distributed based on the Rating Sheet. The Rating Sheet shall be used to evaluate applications by no less than three (3) individuals who are active in advocating for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities but shall receive no direct benefit from these grants. Each Grantee may be awarded a maximum of \$25,000 from the Department to be used for the purpose of developing and maintaining a respite program for individuals and families with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Because the funds will be non-recurring, they are to be used primarily for start-up costs for the program. Recurring operations will be funded by the applicant on an ongoing basis.

III. SCOPE OF SERVICES REQUESTED:

A. Services to be Provided or Procured:

See Attachment A - Proforma Grant Contract

B. Primary Focus:

The primary focus of the grant is to provide a place of rest where individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families can engage directly with members of their community. It is the Department's expectation that Applicants have a general plan for building and implementing their respite program. However, the Department has a list of partners that will provide training, consulting, and assistance to help Grantees build programs for their organizations.

IV. GRANT APPLICATION FORMAT:

1. The grant application must address all portions of this notice as set forth herein; however, proposers may retype and/or duplicate the forms for grant application submission, provided the revised format remains in order prescribed and addresses all the Department's required information which appears in the Department's prepared forms.

- 2. The Department reserves the right to request clarification or corrections to grant applications, to reject any and all grant applications or to cancel this Notice in its entirety at the Department's sole discretion. Any grant application received which does not meet these General Instructions may be considered to be "Non-Responsive" and the grant application may be rejected. Any rejection or acceptance of applications is at the sole discretion of the Department.
- 3. The Department reserves the right to further clarify and/or negotiate with the best evaluated grant applications, subsequent to award recommendation but prior to contract execution, if such is deemed necessary at the discretion of the Department.
- 4. The grant application must be no more than ten (10) pages in total. However, applicants may include up to ten (10) attachments to their application to further address portions of the application.

V. MODIFICATIONS FOR GRANT:

Any and all changes made to an awarded grant must be submitted to the Department for approval prior to implementing changes.

VI. SUBJECT TO FUNDS AVAILABILITY:

The award of a grant contract under this Request for Applications is subject to the appropriation and availability of State and/or Federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

PROGRAM APPLICATION

APPLICANT NAME:

APPLICANT ADDRESS:

DIRECTOR:

APPLICATION PREPARED BY:

POSITION OF PREPARER:

PHONE NUMBER OF PREPARER:

E-MAIL ADDRESS OF PREPARER:

FEDERAL EMPLOYER ID NUMBER:

501(c)(3)?

Confirm that your organization has been recognized as a nonprofit organization by the Internal Revenue Service under IRC Section 501(c)(3)

IDENTIFICATION OF NEED

In this section, explain the need you have seen within your organization or community that lead you to develop a respite/disability program. Outline the number of families you have seen in need of this program, and why you believe the development of a program at your organization will provide rest to those families.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

In this section, describe what services, programs, and offerings your organization will provide for individuals and families with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Explain how these services/offerings will provide rest for the people you are serving, and where they will take place. In addition, provide an estimate as to when and how often these services will be available for the individuals you are serving. Finally, estimate the number of qualified staff/volunteers that will assist in the program.

HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

In this section, provide an outline for how your organization will ensure the health and safety of all individuals involved in this program. Confirm that your facilities are ADA compliant and that your building codes are compliant with applicable codes and regulations. Lastly, confirm that your staff/volunteers have experience and/or training supporting individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities, and explain the process by which additional new staff/volunteers will be trained to support the individuals they will be serving.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL RESOURCES

In this section, provide a brief explanation of how much funding you are requesting and how you plan on using the grant funding. Provide estimates of the expenditures you plan on accruing (Please make these estimates as accurate as reasonably possible, but we understand that you may not know the exact dollar amounts for every purchase). Finally, provide an outline of how you plan on making this program financially self-sustaining after grant funding is expended (this can be through tithes, donations, etc.).

POINTS 25

POINTS 25

POINTS 5

POINTS 30

POINTS 15

SCORE CARD

Applicant Name

Applicant	Contact	Information
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Application Components

Rubric Items	Maximum Score	Score
Non-profit 501(c)(3) status	5	
Identification of Need	25	
Program Description	30	
Health & Safety Protocols	25	
Budget/Financial Resources	15	
Total	100	

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DIDD Evaluator:

GRANT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND GRANTEE NAME

This Grant Contract, by and between the State of Tennessee, Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, hereinafter referred to as the "State" and Contractor Legal Entity Name, hereinafter referred to as the "Grantee," is for the provision of the Respite Ministry Grant, as further defined in the "SCOPE OF SERVICES."

The Grantee is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Grantee Place of Incorporation or Organization: Location Grantee Edison Vendor ID # Number

A. SCOPE OF SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES:

- A.1. The Grantee shall provide all services and deliverables ("Scope") as required, described, and detailed in this Grant Contract.
- A.2. The Grantee shall implement a program that provides respite opportunities for individuals and families with intellectual and developmental disabilities. These opportunities may include day programs, respite events, programming during other services or program offered by the organization, or any combination of those offerings. The purpose of these programs shall be to provide rest for the families and caretakers of those with disabilities while simultaneously educating and caring for the individuals with disabilities.
- A.3. The program shall be available to any person(s) living with an intellectual or developmental disability and their family or caretakers. The Grantee shall not refuse service to any individuals or families living with intellectual or developmental disabilities unless they pose an imminent threat to the physical safety of a staff member, volunteer, or participant in the program.
- A.4. The Grantee shall provide three (3) updates about the development of the program to the Department. These updates will be due February 1, and May 1 and June 30. In addition to any information the Department specifically requests, these updates will include:
 - a. A proposed timeline for the program being established and offered to the public
 - b. The number of attendees/participants the program is serving or planning on serving
 - c. An overview of the education and activities offered during the program(s)
 - d. Updates on buildings/facilities that will affect the development of the program
 - e. Budget expenditures accrued thus far
- A.5. The Grantee is encouraged to consult with nonprofit organizations already offering similar programs during the development stage of the program to determine the best methods in which to serve the families and individuals within the Grantee's organization.
- A.6. During the Term of the Grant Contract, the Grantee shall develop a plan for the continued operation of this respite program after the expiration of the Grant Contract. This plan will be submitted to the State during the Term of the Grant Contract. The Grantee understands that the funding provided through the Grant Contract is for purposes of providing start-up costs for the program, and not recurring operational costs.
- A.7. The Grantee shall ensure that each of its personnel and volunteers involved with the program that provides respite opportunities for individuals and families with intellectual and developmental disabilities have fully completed the training outlined in Attachment A (Grantee's

application) prior to the personnel or volunteer engaging in the program for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

- A.8. <u>Incorporation of Additional Documents</u>. Each of the following documents is included as a part of this Grant Contract by reference or attachment. In the event of a discrepancy or ambiguity regarding the Grantee's duties, responsibilities, and performance hereunder, these items shall govern in order of precedence below.
 - a. this Grant Contract document with any attachments or exhibits (excluding the items listed at subsections b. and c., below);
 - b. the State grant proposal solicitation as may be amended, if any;
 - c. the Grantee's proposal (Attachment B) incorporated to elaborate supplementary scope of services specifications.

B. TERM OF GRANT CONTRACT:

- B.1. This Grant Contract shall be effective on September 1, 2024 ("Effective Date") and extend for a period of ten (10) months after the Effective Date ("Term"). The State shall have no obligation for goods or services provided by the Grantee prior to the Effective Date.
- B.2. <u>Term Extension</u>. It is understood and agreed that the State may extend the Term an additional period of time, not to exceed one hundred-eighty (180) days beyond the expiration date of this Grant Contract, under the same terms and conditions. In no event, however, shall the maximum Term, including all extensions or renewals, exceed a total of sixty (60) months.

C. PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- C.1. <u>Maximum Liability</u>. In no event shall the maximum liability of the State under this Grant Contract exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) ("Maximum Liability"). The Grant Budget, attached and incorporated hereto as Attachment A, shall constitute the maximum amount due the Grantee under this Grant Contract. The Grant Budget line-items include, but are not limited to, all applicable taxes, fees, overhead, and all other direct and indirect costs incurred or to be incurred by the Grantee.
- C.2. <u>Compensation Firm</u>. The Maximum Liability of the State is not subject to escalation for any reason unless amended. The Grant Budget amounts are firm for the Term and are not subject to escalation for any reason unless amended, except as provided in Section C.6.
- C.3. <u>Payment Methodology</u>. The Grantee shall be reimbursed for actual, reasonable, and necessary costs based upon the Grant Budget, not to exceed the Maximum Liability established in Section C.1. Upon progress toward the completion of the Scope, as described in Section A of this Grant Contract, the Grantee shall submit invoices prior to any reimbursement of allowable costs.
- C.4. <u>Travel Compensation</u>. Reimbursement to the Grantee for travel, meals, or lodging shall be subject to amounts and limitations specified in the "State Comprehensive Travel Regulations," as they are amended from time to time, and shall be contingent upon and limited by the Grant Budget funding for said reimbursement.
- C.5. <u>Invoice Requirements</u>. The Grantee shall invoice the State no more often than monthly, with all necessary supporting documentation, and present such to:

Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Fiscal Services UBS Tower, 8th Floor 315 Deaderick St., Nashville, TN 37243 DIDD.invoicing@tn.gov

- a. Each invoice shall clearly and accurately detail all of the following required information (calculations must be extended and totaled correctly).
 - (1) Invoice/Reference Number (assigned by the Grantee).
 - (2) Invoice Date.
 - (3) Invoice Period (to which the reimbursement request is applicable).
 - (4) Grant Contract Number (assigned by the State).
 - (5) Grantor: Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.
 - (6) Grantor Number (assigned by the Grantee to the above-referenced Grantor).
 - (7) Grantee Name.
 - (8) Grantee Tennessee Edison Registration ID Number Referenced in Preamble of this Grant Contract.
 - (9) Grantee Remittance Address.
 - (10) Grantee Contact for Invoice Questions (name, phone, or fax).
 - (11) Itemization of Reimbursement Requested for the Invoice Period— it must detail, at minimum, all of the following:
 - i. The amount requested by Grant Budget line-item (including any travel expenditure reimbursement requested and for which documentation and receipts, as required by "State Comprehensive Travel Regulations," are attached to the invoice).
 - ii. The amount reimbursed by Grant Budget line-item to date.
 - iii. The total amount reimbursed under the Grant Contract to date.
 - iv. The total amount requested (all line-items) for the Invoice Period.
- b. The Grantee understands and agrees to all of the following.
 - (1) An invoice under this Grant Contract shall include only reimbursement requests for actual, reasonable, and necessary expenditures required in the delivery of service described by this Grant Contract and shall be subject to the Grant Budget and any other provision of this Grant Contract relating to allowable reimbursements.
 - (2) An invoice under this Grant Contract shall not include any reimbursement request for future expenditures.
 - (3) An invoice under this Grant Contract shall initiate the timeframe for reimbursement only when the State is in receipt of the invoice, and the invoice meets the minimum requirements of this section C.5.
- C.6. <u>Grant Budget and Revisions to Grant Budget Line-Items.</u> Expenditures, reimbursements, and payments under this Grant Contract shall adhere to the Grant Budget.
 - a. The Grantee may vary from a Grant Budget line-item amount by up to twenty percent (20%) of the line-item amount, provided that any increase is off-set by an equal reduction of other line-item amounts. The net result of any changes to Grant Budget line-item amounts shall not result in funding for a line-item that was previously funded at zero dollars (\$0.00) or increase the total Grant Contract amount detailed by the Grant Budget.
 - b. The Grantee may request in writing Grant Budget line-item revisions exceeding the limitation set forth in section C.6.a., above, giving full details supporting the Grantee's request, provided that such revisions do not result in funding for a line-item that was previously funded at zero dollars (\$0.00) and do not increase the total Grant Contract amount. Grant Budget line-item revisions may not be made without prior, written

approval of the State in which the terms of the approved revisions are detailed. Any approval of a revision to a Grant Budget line-item greater than twenty percent (20%) shall be superseded by a subsequent revision of the Grant Budget by Grant Contract amendment.

- c. Any increase in the total Grant Contract amount shall require a Grant Contract Amendment.
- C.7. <u>Disbursement Reconciliation and Close Out</u>. The Grantee shall submit any final invoice and a grant disbursement reconciliation report within ninety (90) days of the Grant Contract end date, in form and substance acceptable to the State.
 - a. If total disbursements by the State pursuant to this Grant Contract exceed the amounts permitted by Section C of this Grant Contract, the Grantee shall refund the difference to the State. The Grantee shall submit said refund with the final grant disbursement reconciliation report.
 - b. The State shall not be responsible for the payment of any invoice submitted to the state after the grant disbursement reconciliation report. The State will not deem any Grantee costs submitted for reimbursement after the grant disbursement reconciliation report to be allowable and reimbursable by the State, and such invoices will NOT be paid.
 - c. The Grantee's failure to provide a final grant disbursement reconciliation report to the state as required shall result in the Grantee being deemed ineligible for reimbursement under this Grant Contract, and the Grantee shall be required to refund any and all payments by the state pursuant to this Grant Contract.
 - d. The Grantee must close out its accounting records at the end of the contract period in such a way that reimbursable expenditures and revenue collections are NOT carried forward.
- C.8. <u>Indirect Cost</u>. Should the Grantee request reimbursement for indirect costs, the Grantee must submit to the State a copy of the indirect cost rate approved by the cognizant federal agency or the cognizant state agency, as applicable. The Grantee will be reimbursed for indirect costs in accordance with the approved indirect cost rate and amounts and limitations specified in the attached Grant Budget. Once the Grantee makes an election and treats a given cost as direct or indirect, it must apply that treatment consistently and may not change during the Term. Any changes in the approved indirect cost rate must have prior approval of the cognizant federal agency or the cognizant state agency, as applicable. If the indirect cost rate is provisional during the Term, once the rate becomes final, the Grantee agrees to remit any overpayment of funds to the State, and subject to the availability of funds the State agrees to remit any underpayment to the Grantee.
- C.9. <u>Cost Allocation</u>. If any part of the costs to be reimbursed under this Grant Contract are joint costs involving allocation to more than one program or activity, such costs shall be allocated and reported in accordance with the provisions of Department of Finance and Administration Policy Statement 03 or any amendments or revisions made to this policy statement during the Term.
- C.10. <u>Payment of Invoice</u>. A payment by the State shall not prejudice the State's right to object to or question any reimbursement, invoice, or matter in relation thereto. A payment by the State shall not be construed as acceptance of any part of the work or service provided or as approval of any amount as an allowable cost.
- C.11. <u>Non-allowable Costs</u>. Any amounts payable to the Grantee shall be subject to reduction for amounts included in any invoice or payment that are determined by the State, on the basis of

audits or monitoring conducted in accordance with the terms of this Grant Contract, to constitute non-allowable costs.

- C.12. <u>State's Right to Set Off</u>. The State reserves the right to deduct from amounts that are or shall become due and payable to the Grantee under this Grant Contract or any other contract between the Grantee and the State of Tennessee under which the Grantee has a right to receive payment from the State.
- C.13. <u>Prerequisite Documentation</u>. The Grantee shall not invoice the State under this Grant Contract until the State has received the following, properly completed documentation.
 - a. The Grantee shall complete, sign, and present to the State an "Authorization Agreement for Automatic Deposit (ACH Credits) Form" provided by the State. By doing so, the Grantee acknowledges and agrees that, once this form is received by the State, all payments to the Grantee under this or any other grant contract will be made by automated clearing house ("ACH").
 - b. The Grantee shall complete, sign, and return to the State the State-provided W-9 form. The taxpayer identification number on the W-9 form must be the same as the Grantee's Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number referenced in the Grantee's Edison registration information.

D. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- D.1. <u>Required Approvals</u>. The State is not bound by this Grant Contract until it is signed by the parties and approved by appropriate officials in accordance with applicable Tennessee laws and regulations (depending upon the specifics of this Grant Contract, the officials may include, but are not limited to, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the Commissioner of Human Resources, and the Comptroller of the Treasury).
- D.2. <u>Modification and Amendment</u>. This Grant Contract may be modified only by a written amendment signed by all parties and approved by the officials who approved the Grant Contract and, depending upon the specifics of the Grant Contract as amended, any additional officials required by Tennessee laws and regulations (said officials may include, but are not limited to, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the Commissioner of Human Resources, and the Comptroller of the Treasury).
- D.3. <u>Termination for Convenience</u>. The State may terminate this Grant Contract without cause for any reason. A termination for convenience shall not be a breach of this Grant Contract by the State. The State shall give the Grantee at least thirty (30) days written notice before the effective termination date. The Grantee shall be entitled to compensation for authorized expenditures and satisfactory services completed as of the termination date, but in no event shall the State be liable to the Grantee for compensation for any service that has not been rendered. The final decision as to the amount for which the State is liable shall be determined by the State. The Grantee shall not have any right to any actual general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever of any description or amount for the State's exercise of its right to terminate for convenience.
- D.4. <u>Termination for Cause</u>. If the Grantee fails to properly perform its obligations under this Grant Contract in a timely or proper manner, or if the Grantee violates any terms of this Grant Contract ("Breach Condition"), the State shall have the right to immediately terminate the Grant Contract and withhold payments in excess of compensation for completed services or provided goods. Notwithstanding the above, the Grantee shall not be relieved of liability to the State for damages sustained by virtue of any Breach Condition and the State may seek other remedies allowed at law or in equity for breach of this Grant Contract.

- D.5. <u>Subcontracting</u>. The Grantee shall not assign this Grant Contract or enter into a subcontract for any of the services performed under this Grant Contract without obtaining the prior written approval of the State. If such subcontracts are approved by the State, each shall contain, at a minimum, sections of this Grant Contract pertaining to "Conflicts of Interest," "Lobbying," "Nondiscrimination," "Public Accountability," "Public Notice," and "Records" (as identified by the section headings). Notwithstanding any use of approved subcontractors, the Grantee shall remain responsible for all work performed.
- D.6. <u>Conflicts of Interest</u>. The Grantee warrants that no part of the total Grant Contract Amount shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Grantee in connection with any work contemplated or performed relative to this Grant Contract.

The Grantee acknowledges, understands, and agrees that this Grant Contract shall be null and void if the Grantee is, or within the past six months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee or if the Grantee is an entity in which a controlling interest is held by an individual who is, or within the past six months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee.

- D.7. Lobbying. The Grantee certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that:
 - a. No federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
 - b. If any funds other than federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Grantee shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
 - c. The Grantee shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into and is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. § 1352.

D.8. <u>Communications and Contacts</u>. All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications required or contemplated by this Grant Contract shall be in writing and shall be made by certified, first class mail, return receipt requested and postage prepaid, by overnight courier service with an asset tracking system, or by email or facsimile transmission with recipient confirmation. All communications, regardless of method of transmission, shall be addressed to the respective party as set out below:

The State:

Braden Odom, Director of Special Projects

Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities 315 Deaderick St., Nashville, TN 37243 <u>braden.odom@tn.gov</u> Telephone #615-295-6825

The Grantee:

Grantee Contact Name & Title Grantee Name Address Email Address Telephone # Number FAX # Number

A change to the above contact information requires written notice to the person designated by the other party to receive notice.

All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications shall be considered effectively given upon receipt or recipient confirmation as may be required.

- D.9. <u>Subject to Funds Availability</u>. This Grant Contract is subject to the appropriation and availability of State or Federal funds. In the event that the funds are not appropriated or are otherwise unavailable, the State reserves the right to terminate this Grant Contract upon written notice to the Grantee. The State's right to terminate this Grant Contract due to lack of funds is not a breach of this Grant Contract by the State. Upon receipt of the written notice, the Grantee shall cease all work associated with the Grant Contract. Should such an event occur, the Grantee shall be entitled to compensation for all satisfactory and authorized services completed as of the termination date. Upon such termination, the Grantee shall have no right to recover from the State any actual, general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever of any description or amount.
- D.10. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. The Grantee agrees, warrants, and assures that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Grant Contract or in the employment practices of the Grantee on the basis of any classification protected by Federal, Tennessee State constitutional, or statutory law. The Grantee shall, upon request, show proof of such nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.
- D.11. <u>HIPAA Compliance</u>. The State and the Grantee shall comply with obligations under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health ("HITECH") Act and any other relevant laws and regulations regarding privacy (collectively the "Privacy Rules"). The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Grant Contract.
 - a. The Grantee warrants to the State that it is familiar with the requirements of the Privacy Rules, and will comply with all applicable requirements in the course of this Grant Contract.
 - b. The Grantee warrants that it will cooperate with the State, including cooperation and coordination with State privacy officials and other compliance officers required by the Privacy Rules, in the course of performance of this Grant Contract so that both parties will be in compliance with the Privacy Rules.
 - c. The State and the Grantee will sign documents, including but not limited to business associate agreements, as required by the Privacy Rules and that are reasonably necessary to keep the State and the Grantee in compliance with the Privacy Rules. This

provision shall not apply if information received or delivered by the parties under this Grant Contract is NOT "protected health information" as defined by the Privacy Rules, or if the Privacy Rules permit the parties to receive or deliver the information without entering into a business associate agreement or signing another document.

- d. The Grantee will indemnify the State and hold it harmless for any violation by the Grantee or its subcontractors of the Privacy Rules. This includes the costs of responding to a breach of protected health information, the costs of responding to a government enforcement action related to the breach, and any fines, penalties, or damages paid by the State because of the violation.
- D.12. <u>Public Accountability</u>. If the Grantee is subject to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-4-401 *et seq.*, or if this Grant Contract involves the provision of services to citizens by the Grantee on behalf of the State, the Grantee agrees to establish a system through which recipients of services may present grievances about the operation of the service program. The Grantee shall also display in a prominent place, located near the passageway through which the public enters in order to receive Grant supported services, a sign at least eleven inches (11") in height and seventeen inches (17") in width stating:

NOTICE: THIS AGENCY IS A RECIPIENT OF TAXPAYER FUNDING. IF YOU OBSERVE AN AGENCY DIRECTOR OR EMPLOYEE ENGAGING IN ANY ACTIVITY WHICH YOU CONSIDER TO BE ILLEGAL, IMPROPER, OR WASTEFUL, PLEASE CALL THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S TOLL-FREE HOTLINE: 1-800-232-5454.

The sign shall be on the form prescribed by the Comptroller of the Treasury. The Grantor State Agency shall obtain copies of the sign from the Comptroller of the Treasury, and upon request from the Grantee, provide Grantee with any necessary signs.

- D.13. <u>Public Notice</u>. All notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared and released by the Grantee in relation to this Grant Contract shall include the statement, "This project is funded under a Grant Contract with the State of Tennessee." All notices by the Grantee in relation to this Grant Contract shall be approved by the State.
- D.14. <u>Licensure</u>. The Grantee and its employees and all sub-Grantees shall be licensed pursuant to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations and shall upon request provide proof of all licenses.
- D.15. <u>Records</u>. The Grantee and any approved subcontractor shall maintain documentation for all charges under this Grant Contract. The books, records, and documents of the Grantee and any approved subcontractor, insofar as they relate to work performed or money received under this Grant Contract, shall be maintained for a period of five (5) full years from the date of the final payment and shall be subject to audit at any reasonable time and upon reasonable notice by the Grantor State Agency, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives.

The records shall be maintained in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification, Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) Accounting Standards Codification, or Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Accounting Standards Codification, as applicable, and any related AICPA Industry Audit and Accounting guides.

In addition, documentation of grant applications, budgets, reports, awards, and expenditures will be maintained in accordance with U.S. Office of Management and Budget's *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Audit Requirements, and Cost Principles for Federal Awards*.

The Grantee shall also comply with any recordkeeping and reporting requirements prescribed by the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury.

The Grantee shall establish a system of internal controls that utilize the COSO Internal Control -Integrated Framework model as the basic foundation for the internal control system. The Grantee shall incorporate any additional Comptroller of the Treasury directives into its internal control system.

Any other required records or reports which are not contemplated in the above standards shall follow the format designated by the head of the Grantor State Agency, the Central Procurement Office, or the Commissioner of Finance and Administration of the State of Tennessee.

- D.16. <u>Monitoring</u>. The Grantee's activities conducted and records maintained pursuant to this Grant Contract shall be subject to monitoring and evaluation by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives.
- D.17. <u>Progress Reports</u>. The Grantee shall submit brief, periodic, progress reports to the State as requested.
- D.18. <u>Annual and Final Reports</u>. The Grantee shall submit, within three (3) months of the conclusion of each year of the Term, an annual report. For grant contracts with a term of less than one (1) year, the Grantee shall submit a final report within three (3) months of the conclusion of the Term. For grant contracts with multiyear terms, the final report will take the place of the annual report for the final year of the Term. The Grantee shall submit annual and final reports to the Grantor State Agency. At minimum, annual and final reports shall include: (a) the Grantee's name; (b) the Grant Contract's Edison identification number, Term, and total amount; (c) a narrative section that describes the program's goals, outcomes, successes and setbacks, whether the Grantee used benchmarks or indicators to determine progress, and whether any proposed activities were not completed; and (d) other relevant details requested by the Grantor State Agency. Annual and final report documents to be completed by the Grantee shall appear on the Grantor State Agency's website or as an attachment to the Grant Contract.
- D.19. <u>Audit Report.</u> For purposes of this Section, pass-through entity means a non-federal entity that provides a subaward to a subrecipient to carry out part of a federal program.

The Grantee shall provide audited financial statements to the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury ("Comptroller") if during the Grantee's fiscal year, the Grantee: (1) expends seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) or more in direct and indirect federal financial assistance and the State is a pass-through entity; (2) expends seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) or more in state funds from the State; or (3) expends seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) or more in federal financial assistance and state funds from the State, and the State is a pass-through entity.

At least ninety (90) days before the end of its fiscal year, the Grantee shall complete the Information for Audit Purposes ("IAP") form online (accessible through the Edison Supplier Portal) to notify the State whether or not Grantee is subject to an audit. The Grantee should submit only one, completed form online during the Grantee's fiscal year. Immediately after the fiscal year has ended, the Grantee shall fill out the End of Fiscal Year ("EOFY") form (accessible through the Edison Supplier portal). If the Grantee is subject to an audit, Grantee shall obtain the Comptroller's approval before engaging a licensed, independent public accountant to perform the audit. The Grantee may contact the Comptroller for assistance identifying auditors.

The audit contract between the Grantee and the Auditor shall be on a contract form prescribed by the Comptroller. The Grantee shall be responsible for payment of fees for an audit prepared by a licensed, independent public accountant. Payment of the audit fees by the Grantee shall be subject to the provision relating to such fees contained within this Grant Contract. The Grantee shall be responsible for reimbursing the Comptroller for any costs of an audit prepared by the Comptroller.

All audits shall be performed in accordance with the Comptroller's requirements, as posted on its web site. When a federal single audit is required, the audit shall be performed in accordance

with U.S. Office of Management and Budget's Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

A copy of the audit report shall be provided to the Comptroller by the licensed, independent public accountant. Audit reports shall be made available to the public. The Grantee shall also submit a copy of the audit report to the State.

D.20. <u>Procurement</u>. If other terms of this Grant Contract allow reimbursement for the cost of goods, materials, supplies, equipment, or contracted services, such procurement shall be made on a competitive basis, including the use of competitive bidding procedures, where practical. The Grantee shall maintain documentation for the basis of each procurement for which reimbursement is paid pursuant to this Grant Contract. In each instance where it is determined that use of a competitive procurement method is not practical, supporting documentation shall include a written justification for the decision and for use of a non-competitive procurement. If the Grantee is a subrecipient, the Grantee shall comply with 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.317—200.327 when procuring property and services under a federal award.

The Grantee shall obtain prior approval from the State before purchasing any equipment under this Grant Contract.

For purposes of this Grant Contract, the term "equipment" shall include any article of nonexpendable, tangible, personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost which equals or exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

- D.21. <u>Strict Performance</u>. Failure by any party to this Grant Contract to insist in any one or more cases upon the strict performance of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, or provisions of this agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of any such term, covenant, condition, or provision. No term or condition of this Grant Contract shall be held to be waived, modified, or deleted except by a written amendment signed by the parties hereto.
- D.22. Independent Contractor. The parties shall not act as employees, partners, joint venturers, or associates of one another in the performance of this Grant Contract. The parties acknowledge that they are independent contracting entities and that nothing in this Grant Contract shall be construed to create a principal/agent relationship or to allow either to exercise control or direction over the manner or method by which the other transacts its business affairs or provides its usual services. The employees or agents of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

The Grantee, being an independent contractor and not an employee of the State, agrees to carry adequate public liability and other appropriate forms of insurance, including adequate public liability and other appropriate forms of insurance on the Grantee's employees, and to pay all applicable taxes incident to this Grant Contract.

- D.23. Limitation of State's Liability. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in this Grant Contract. In no event will the State be liable to the Grantee or any other party for any lost revenues, lost profits, loss of business, loss of grant funding, decrease in the value of any securities or cash position, time, money, goodwill, or any indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary or consequential damages of any nature, whether based on warranty, contract, statute, regulation, tort (including but not limited to negligence), or any other legal theory that may arise under this Grant Contract or otherwise. The State's total liability under this Grant Contract (including any exhibits, schedules, amendments or other attachments to the Contract) or otherwise shall under no circumstances exceed the Maximum Liability originally established in Section C.1 of this Grant Contract. This limitation of liability is cumulative and not per incident.
- D.24. <u>Force Majeure</u>. "Force Majeure Event" means fire, flood, earthquake, elements of nature or acts of God, wars, riots, civil disorders, rebellions or revolutions, acts of terrorism or any other similar cause beyond the reasonable control of the Party except to the extent that the non-performing

Party is at fault in failing to prevent or causing the default or delay, and provided that the default or delay cannot reasonably be circumvented by the non-performing Party through the use of alternate sources, workaround plans or other means. A strike, lockout or labor dispute shall not excuse either Party from its obligations under this Grant Contract. Except as set forth in this Section, any failure or delay by a Party in the performance of its obligations under this Grant Contract arising from a Force Majeure Event is not a default under this Grant Contract or grounds for termination. The non-performing Party will be excused from performing those obligations directly affected by the Force Majeure Event, and only for as long as the Force Majeure Event continues, provided that the Party continues to use diligent, good faith efforts to resume performance without delay. The occurrence of a Force Majeure Event affecting Grantee's representatives, suppliers, subcontractors, customers or business apart from this Grant Contract is not a Force Majeure Event under this Grant Contract. Grantee will promptly notify the State of any delay caused by a Force Majeure Event (to be confirmed in a written notice to the State within one (1) day of the inception of the delay) that a Force Majeure Event has occurred, and will describe in reasonable detail the nature of the Force Majeure Event. If any Force Majeure Event results in a delay in Grantee's performance longer than forty-eight (48) hours, the State may, upon notice to Grantee: (a) cease payment of the fees until Grantee resumes performance of the affected obligations; or (b) immediately terminate this Grant Contract or any purchase order, in whole or in part, without further payment except for fees then due and payable. Grantee will not increase its charges under this Grant Contract or charge the State any fees other than those provided for in this Grant Contract as the result of a Force Majeure Event.

- D.25. <u>Tennessee Department of Revenue Registration</u>. The Grantee shall comply with all applicable registration requirements contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 67-6-601 608. Compliance with applicable registration requirements is a material requirement of this Grant Contract.
- D.26. <u>Charges to Service Recipients Prohibited</u>. The Grantee shall not collect any amount in the form of fees or reimbursements from the recipients of any service provided pursuant to this Grant Contract.
- D.27. <u>No Acquisition of Equipment or Motor Vehicles</u>. This Grant Contract does not involve the acquisition and disposition of equipment or motor vehicles acquired with funds provided under this Grant Contract.
- D.28. <u>State and Federal Compliance</u>. The Grantee shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations in the performance of this Grant Contract.
- D.29. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Grant Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee, without regard to its conflict or choice of law rules. The Grantee agrees that it will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Tennessee in actions that may arise under this Grant Contract. The Grantee acknowledges and agrees that any rights or claims against the State of Tennessee or its employees hereunder, and any remedies arising there from, shall be subject to and limited to those rights and remedies, if any, available under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 9-8-101 through 9-8-408.
- D.30. <u>Completeness</u>. This Grant Contract is complete and contains the entire understanding between the parties relating to the subject matter contained herein, including all the terms and conditions of the parties' agreement. This Grant Contract supersedes any and all prior understandings, representations, negotiations, and agreements between the parties relating hereto, whether written or oral.
- D.31. <u>Severability</u>. If any terms and conditions of this Grant Contract are held to be invalid or unenforceable as a matter of law, the other terms and conditions hereof shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect. To this end, the terms and conditions of this Grant Contract are declared severable.

- D.32. <u>Headings</u>. Section headings are for reference purposes only and shall not be construed as part of this Grant Contract.
- D.33. <u>Iran Divestment Act.</u> The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-101, *et seq.*, addressing contracting with persons as defined at Tenn. Code Ann. §12-12-103(5) that engage in investment activities in Iran, shall be a material provision of this Grant Contract. The Grantee certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that it is not on the list created pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106.
- D.34. <u>Debarment and Suspension</u>. The Grantee certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, its current and future principals, its current and future subcontractors and their principals:
 - a. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;
 - have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Grant Contract been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them from commission of fraud, or a criminal offence in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - c. are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed in section b. of this certification; and
 - d. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Grant Contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

The Grantee shall provide immediate written notice to the State if at any time it learns that there was an earlier failure to disclose information or that due to changed circumstances, its principals or the principals of its subcontractors are excluded or disqualified, or presently fall under any of the prohibitions of sections a-d.

- D.35. <u>Confidentiality of Records</u>. Strict standards of confidentiality of records and information shall be maintained in accordance with applicable state and federal law. All material and information, regardless of form, medium or method of communication, provided to the Grant Grantee by the State or acquired by the Grant Grantee on behalf of the State that is regarded as confidential under state or federal law shall be regarded as "Confidential Information." Nothing in this Section shall permit Grant Grantee to disclose any Confidential Information, regardless of whether it has been disclosed or made available to the Grant Grantee due to intentional or negligent actions or inactions of agents of the State or third parties. Confidential Information shall not be disclosed except as required or permitted under state or federal law. Grant Grantee shall take all necessary steps to safeguard the confidentiality of such material or information in conformance with applicable state and federal law. The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Grant Contract.
- D.36. <u>State Sponsored Insurance Plan Enrollment.</u> The Grantee warrants that it will not enroll or permit its employees, officials, or employees of contractors to enroll or participate in a state sponsored health insurance plan through their employment, official, or contractual relationship with Grantee unless Grantee first demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Department of Finance and

Administration that it and any contract entity satisfies the definition of a governmental or quasigovernmental entity as defined by federal law applicable to ERISA.

E. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

E.1. <u>Conflicting Terms and Conditions</u>. Should any of these special terms and conditions conflict with any other terms and conditions of this Grant Contract, the special terms and conditions shall be subordinate to the Grant Contract's other terms and conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

GRANTEE LEGAL ENTITY NAME:

GRANTEE SIGNATURE

DATE

DATE

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF GRANTEE SIGNATORY (above)

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:

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ATTACHMENT A

GRANT BUDGET				
The grant budget line-item amounts below shall be applicable only to expense incurred during the following				
Applicable Period: BEGIN: October 1, 2024 END: June 30, 2025				
POLICY 03 Object Line-item Reference	EXPENSE OBJECT LINE-ITEM CATEGORY	GRANT CONTRACT	GRANTEE PARTICIPATION	TOTAL PROJECT
1. 2	Salaries, Benefits & Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
4, 15	Professional Fee, Grant & Award ²	0.00	0.00	0.00
5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	Supplies, Telephone, Postage & Shipping, Occupancy, Equipment Rental & Maintenance, Printing & Publications	0.00	0.00	0.00
11. 12	Travel, Conferences & Meetings	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	Interest ²	0.00	0.00	0.00
14	Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	Specific Assistance To Individuals	0.00	0.00	0.00
17	Depreciation ²	0.00	0.00	0.00
18	Other Non-Personnel ²	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Capital Purchase ²	0.00	0.00	0.00
22	Indirect Cost	0.00	0.00	0.00
24	In-Kind Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
25	GRAND TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Each expense object line-item shall be defined by the Department of Finance and Administration Policy 03, Uniform Reporting Requirements and Cost Allocation Plans for Subrecipients of Federal and State Grant Monies, Appendix A. (posted on the Internet at: <u>https://www.tn.gov/finance/looking-for/policies.html</u>).

² Applicable detail follows this page if line-item is funded.



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GRANT BUDGET LINE-ITEM DETAIL:

PROFESSIONAL FEE, GRANT & AWARD	AMOUNT
Specific, Descriptive, Detail (Repeat Row As Necessary)	Amount
TOTAL	Amount

INTEREST	AMOUNT
Specific, Descriptive, Detail (Repeat Row As Necessary)	Amount
TOTAL	Amount

DEPRECIATION	AMOUNT
Specific, Descriptive, Detail (Repeat Row As Necessary)	Amount
TOTAL	Amount

OTHER NON-PERSONNEL	AMOUNT
Specific, Descriptive, Detail (Repeat Row As Necessary)	Amount
TOTAL	Amount

CAPITAL PURCHASE	AMOUNT
Specific, Descriptive, Detail (Repeat Row As Necessary)	Amount
TOTAL	Amount