

## **Start-up and Expansion Grants At-Risk Afterschool Meals and Summer Meals Program Announcement**

State funds are available for Start-up and Expansion Grants for At-Risk Afterschool Meals and Summer Meals Program. There is \$461,671 in grant funds available for Sponsors during the 2015- 2017 biennium. These funds are awarded through the Oregon Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs (ODE CNP).

The At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program, Summer Food Service Program, and the Seamless Summer Option are Federal programs that reimburse Sponsors for serving nutritious meals to participants through age 18. Sponsors include school districts, government agencies, and non-profit organizations. All sites must pass sanitation and fire safety inspections and demonstrate capability to operate the Program.

Grant funds are available up to a maximum of \$20,000 per Sponsor. Details on the application periods are listed below. Grant applications for At-Risk Afterschool Meals and Summer Meals Program will be accepted for all funding rounds.

### **Round One Applications**

Open: December 2, 2015

Close: December 30, 2015 (Funds must be expended by June 10, 2016)

### **Round Two Applications**

Open: March 9, 2016

Close: March 31, 2016 (Funds must be expended by September 23, 2016)

### **Round Three Applications**

Open: September 14, 2016

Close: October 5, 2016 (Funds must be expended by February 1, 2017)

Grant applications will be considered for costs that support the start-up or expansion of at-risk afterschool or summer meal sites. Examples of allowable costs include:

- Foodservice equipment purchases
- Modifications needed to pass sanitation inspections and/ or inspection fees
- Staffing costs for outreach and increasing participation
- Enrichment or education activities
- Transportation costs for summer meals

Grant recipients must be a current sponsor or be in the process of applying with ODE CNP to participate in the At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program, Summer Food Service Program, or Seamless Summer Option Program.

Grantees may request an advance of up to 50% of the approved grant funds. The final grant payment will be released when a final report and all grant itemized expense receipts are submitted and approved by ODE CNP.

To apply, visit: <http://www.ode.state.or.us/search/page/?id=4013>

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