

Head Start Grantee Competition  
Communities within Los Angeles County, California  
HHS-2013-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-0481

The following questions have been received as of August 13, 2012. The answers have been provided by the Office of Head Start.

**Question:** We are a current Head Start Grantee in Los Angeles County, California. Our approved service area includes several cities in eastern LA County, one of those cities being the City of San Gabriel. I noticed that in the recompetition for “Communities within Los Angeles County, California”, HHS-2013-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-0481, in the “Grantee Profile” document that there are two sites listed that are in the City of San Gabriel.

The City of San Gabriel is NOT one of the communities that is part of the recompetition. The recompetition is for the communities that have been served by the current grantee. The City of San Gabriel has never been part of the current grantee’s service area.

The current grantee had been temporarily approved to operate these two sites within our service area by Region IX, on condition that if the current grantee ever gave up or lost either site, they could not re-establish that site. Also, the current grantee could not establish any new sites in our service area. Region IX confirmed, as part of this exception for the current grantee, that the City of San Gabriel is part of our service area.

My organization would like to have these sites, in its service area, operated by my agency. We would not want to have a new grantee (whether a re-funded by the current grantee or another agency) be given these sites in our service area as a result of this recompetition. How can this be accomplished? Must the organization apply in the application process to be awarded these two sites, including the funding to serve the children at these sites? Or could these sites, and the funding for them, be awarded to the organization independently of the recompetition application to eliminate having a newly funded grantee intrude on our service area?

The sites are: Dewey (525 Dewey Ave., San Gabriel, 91776-3901), and Marshall (1817 Jackson Ave., San Gabriel, CA 91776-4007).

San Gabriel is not one of the cities listed as part of this recompetition on pages 56 – 58 of the application announcement.

It would appear to us that reverting these sites to my organization is consistent with the original decision of Region IX that if the current grantee

ever gives up or loses these sites, that the current grantee cannot return to the sites (and, essentially, that they would revert to the organization).

**Response:** Your agency does not need to apply for its existing service area. Existing grantees with service areas that overlap or are adjacent to service areas being competed will be taken into account when funding is awarded.

**Question:** Just to clarify, all facilities listed in the Grantee's Profile with addresses in the zip code 90250 are located in the City of Hawthorne. That tells us that we are to eliminate the facilities included on the Grantee profile that are located in Hawthorne.

We are requesting a clarifying answer as to whether or not Hawthorne has intentionally the list. If we are NOT to apply for Hawthorne we need to adjust our proposed plans and needs assessment as soon as possible.

(Hawthorne is a City in Los Angeles with huge need, and has been served by LACOE for many years. It has its own school district as well. It has been omitted from the list and we are certain it is an error).

**Response:** These communities were left out of the FOA in error.

**Question:** The following communities, which are identified by the current grantee are NOT listed in the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA):

- Baldwin Park
- Sunland (This is a distinct community from "Sun Valley")
- Lomita
- Hawthorne
- Duarte

**Response:** OHS will add Baldwin Park, Sunland, Lomita, Hawthorne, and Duarte to FOA HHS-2013-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-0481.

**Question:** The following communities, which are currently being served by by the current grantee, are also NOT listed on the FOA:

- South El Monte
- Diamond Bar

**Response:** Service areas are assigned to another grantee. OHS will not add South El Monte and Diamond Bar to FOA HHS-2013-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-0481.

**Question:** We are unclear on what the FOA means by “Holly Glen Park.” Does ACF mean the entire City of Hawthorne? Please explain.

**Response:** Funding Opportunity Announcement HHS-2013-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-0481 will add Hawthorne City, which includes Holly Glen Park.

**Question:** The communities listed on the FOA are communities where the current grantee actually has operating centers. However, the communities are not inclusive of the entire geographic areas from which the current grantee draws families. Please clarify the extent to which the areas should be identified for services in the FOA.

**Response:** The FOA lists communities within Los Angeles County for the purpose of identifying recruitment and service areas.

**Question:** We would like to request clarification in regards to application: HHS-2013-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-0481, it is our understanding that the city of Baldwin Park is also serviced under this grant. However, it is not listed as a community of Los Angeles in the application. We were wondering if perhaps it may have been incorrectly identified as Baldwin Hills. Can you please provide clarification.

**Response:** Both Baldwin Park and Baldwin Hills are part of this service area. The funding opportunity announcement has been modified to include Baldwin Park.