

Shared Commercial Kitchen Grant

Grant Information Session Q+A

Link to RFA:

<https://communityaffairs.dc.gov/publication/ward-7-shared-community-kitchen-grant-rfa>

Grant Application Deadline: January 7th, 2026 at 3:00 PM

Applications must be submitted by e-mail to andrew.costanzo@dc.gov by the application deadline. Applications received after the deadline will not be reviewed.

Are non-profits eligible to apply?

Non-profit organizations are eligible to apply for the Shared Commercial Kitchen grant.

Can applications include partnerships with other organizations?

Grant applications can include partnerships with other organizations. Please review [the RFA's](#) "Section III – Scoring of Applications" (page 10) to review the scoring criteria for proposals that include partnerships.

Will there be multiple grant awards, or just one?

The Office of Planning seeks to make one grant award as a part of the Shared Commercial Kitchen Grant program.

What specific insurance requirements are there?

Please review [the RFA's](#) "Section V – Attachments" section, in the "Attachment D - OP Grant General Terms and Conditions" section under subsection "28. Insurance" (Page 27). This section lists the insurance requirements for the program. Please note that an organization does not need to hold the required insurance by the application deadline on January 7, 2026. The organization can provide quotes or other documentation at the time of submission that they can acquire the required insurance, and if selected as a grantee obtain the required insurance when signing the final grant agreement.

Can insurance costs be included as a line item in the budget?

As listed under "Eligible Grant Activities" on page 3 of [the RFA](#), grant funds may be spent on the procurement of necessary insurance for the shared commercial kitchen. These insurance costs can be included as a line item in the budget. Grant funds may not be used to purchase or

maintain insurance required by the grantee listed in "Section V – Attachments", "Attachment D – OP Grant General Terms and Conditions", subsection "28 - Insurance" (page 27).