DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 04268]

HIV and TB Prevention and Care in Eastlands, Nairobi, Kenya; Notice of Intent To Fund Single Eligibility Award

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the intent to fund fiscal year (FY) 2004 funds for a cooperative agreement program to provide a comprehensive AIDS prevention and care program in and around Eastlands, Nairobi, Kenya. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 93.941.

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance will be provided only to the Eastern Deanery AIDS Relief Program (EDARP).

Because of its long history and experience in providing TB and AIDS care in Eastlands, the EDARP is currently the only appropriate and qualified organization to conduct the specific activities needed to achieve the goals of this program. The EDARP has been serving the people of Eastlands and surrounding slums for more than 10 years through provision of TB and AIDS prevention and care. As a faith-based organization building on local church structures and involving volunteers from the church, EDARP has a unique and committed pool of staff, volunteers, and community leaders who can contribute to the success of this project. EDARP has demonstrated an ability to introduce new services when appropriate, including the introduction of VCT in 2001, TB preventive therapy in 2002, PMTCT in 2003, and on a very limited scale, ART in 2004. Because of EDARP's long tradition of serving members of all faiths in this disadvantaged community, EDARP enjoys the trust and confidence not only of the local community but also the local and national government. Thus, no other organization is capable of delivering the described services to this large, resource poor community.

C. Funding

Approximately \$5,000,000 is available in FY 2004 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before August 15, 2004 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimates may change.

D. Where To Obtain Additional Information

For general comments or questions about this announcement, contact: Technical Information Management, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341–4146, telephone: 770–488–2700.

For technical questions about this program, contact: Barbara Marston, MD, Project Officer, Global Aids Program (GAP), Kenya Country Team, National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), PO Box 606 Village Market, Nairobi, Kenya, telephone: 256–20–271–3008, e-mail: emarum@cdcnairobi.mimcom.net.

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Capacity Building To Support Local and Indigenous Organizations Providing HIV Prevention and Care in Kenya

Announcement Type: New. Funding Opportunity Number: PA 04261.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 93.941. Key Dates: Application Deadline: August 9, 2004.

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Authority: This program is authorized under sections 307 and 317(k)(2) of the Public Health Service Act, (42 U.S.C. Sections 242l and 247b(k)(2)), as amended, and under Public Law 108–25 (United States Leadership Against HIV/ AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Act of 2003) (22 U.S.C. 7601).

Purpose: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability for Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 funds for a cooperative agreement program to improve the capacity of, and provide support to, local and indigenous organizations in Kenya to enable them to provide a range of services, including: Voluntary counseling and testing (VCT); prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT); on-going treatment of HIV+ mothers (PMTCT+); prevention education and outreach,

including abstinence and faithfulness education; anti-retroviral treatment (ART); and palliative care.

The Global AIDS Program (GAP) has established field operations to support national HIV/AIDS control programs in 25 countries. The CDC's GAP exists to help prevent HIV infection, improve care and support, and build capacity to address the global AIDS pandemic. GAP provides financial and technical assistance through partnerships with governments, community- and faithbased organizations, the private sector, and national and international entities working in the 25 resource-constrained countries. CDC/GAP works with the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), the Peace Corps, the Departments of State, Labor and Defense, and other agencies and organizations. These efforts complement multilateral efforts, including UNAIDS, the Global Fund to Combat HIV, TB and Malaria, World Bank funding, and other private sector donation programs.

The U.S. Government seeks to reduce the impact of HIV/AIDS in specific countries within sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, and the Americas through the Presidential Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). Through this new initiative, CDC's GAP will continue to work with host countries to strengthen capacity and expand activities in the areas of: (1) Primary HIV prevention; (2) HIV care, support, and treatment; and (3) capacity and infrastructure development, especially for surveillance and training. Targeted countries represent those with the most severe epidemics where the potential for impact is greatest and where U.S. government agencies are already active. Kenya is one of these targeted countries.

To carry out its activities in these countries, CDC is working in a collaborative manner with national governments and other agencies to develop programs of assistance to address the HIV/AIDS epidemic. CDC's program of assistance to Kenya focuses on several areas of national priority, including scaling up of activities and funding for HIV prevention, care, and treatment; improvement of the national blood safety program; and support for the National AIDS and STD Control Program.

CDC Kenya has already been supporting a number of local, indigenous, faith-based, and international organizations to provide HIV prevention education, VCT, PMTCT, and AIDS care services in their communities. Under PEPFAR, CDC