

COPE Proposal

What is the Coalition Partnership Empowerment (COPE) Proposal?

The Coalition Partnership Empowerment project will equip coalitions with the training they need to become sustainable, transformative forces in their communities. At the end of the funding cycle, coalitions will be able to apply to be a Drug Free Community (DFC). Note that no two applicants will be approved within the same zip code.

What will the funding cover?

The funding will cover travel and training fees for two coalition members to attend the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) Mid-Year Conference, CADCA Forum Conference, and an Arkansas-specific CADCA training. It will also pay for a CADCA membership for the coalition. Any additional funding may be used for educational materials. The amount may not exceed \$25,000.

What are the requirements for a coalition to apply?

- Must be an Arkansas 501(C)3 non-profit organization or partner with a legal entity that is eligible to receive funding (More information on following page)
- Must be comprised of community-based organizations/entities/individuals united for the common purpose of providing substance use prevention, treatment, and/or recovery options for individuals with substance use disorders within the covered jurisdiction
- Must be in existence for at least six-months.
- Must have a mission statement
- Must establish an evaluation protocol to measure and report outcomes

What do I need to include in my application?

- Approval signatures from any mayor and county judge for the areas you will predominantly serve
- Information about your coalition's membership and activities
- A detailed, line-item budget. There is a sample budget included in the application

Can your coalition apply for settlement funding for another project?

Yes, you can also submit a general proposal or a naloxone hero proposal at www.arorp.org/funding-opportunities/.



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If two coalitions are in the same zip code, can they both apply?

Yes, they can both apply under the following conditions:

- Both apply with a Memorandum of Agreement/Understanding to collaborate with each other
- They have one or both of the following stipulations:
 - One coalition works exclusively with a unique population (i.e.-Spanish speaking, LGBTQI+, etc.)
 - Coalitions serve different geographic areas (i.e.-school district within the zip code, cover multiple zip codes, cover a portion of the zip code, etc.)

Can two coalitions share a 501c3?

For the DFC application, no. However, for the COPE application, two coalitions may apply with the same 501c3 on the condition that these coalitions will have separate 501c3's by January 1, 2024.