

## Changes in FY 16 RFA from FY 15

- The countries being solicited have changed to Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, and Liberia.
- FFP is piloting a new programming model called Refine and Implement.
  - This will give partners and FFP a year to refine the implementation of the program. This could include changes to communities and geographic areas, and building better relationships with the host government or community leaders.
  - Studies and analyses will be done during this time period, as well as the M&E workshop, and a gender consultation.
  - This pilot is applicable to DRC and Liberia.
- The sample budget format has been changed from six fiscal years to five.
  - All costs must be associated with a funding source and program element.
  - When entering 202(e) or CDF for cash on FFPMIS, month, country, total request amount, program element, activity, fund type, and modality is needed. For LRP it is country, region/sub-region, commodity, country of purchase, country of origin, commodity metric ton amount, commodity amount, ocean and inland freight, and ITSH.
- FFP is strongly encouraging applicants to consider a geographic focus while targeting and recommends at least all communities within a third level administrative division be targeted instead of selecting a subset in each administrative division.
- The environmental requirements have been updated with new references.
- FFP has added a gender/youth advisor as key personnel and would like their CV alongside Chief of Party.
  - A gender analysis is required within the first year (or during Refine and Implement). A 4-page plan for this analysis should be included as an annex in the application.
  - Applicants should discuss the possible effects activities may have on gender-based violence.
- Applicants are being asked to consider conflict sensitivity in their programming.
- Past performance has been removed as an application section and evaluation criteria. It is now part of a pre-award risk assessment for potentially successful applicants only.
  - Sustainability and exit strategies have replaced past performance as an evaluation criteria.
- ADS Chapter 320 on agency branding and marking guidance has been updated.
- FFP is now supporting applicants signing non-exclusive letters of commitment with local partners, if applicable.