



**Request for Applications - ENTREPRENEURSHIP ASSISTANCE CENTERS - REIMAGINE
WORKFORCE PREPARATION GRANT PROGRAM**

Addendum # 1 - Questions & Answers

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The following is a list of responses to questions submitted by prospective respondents (“Respondents”) to the Request for Applications - ENTREPRENEURSHIP ASSISTANCE CENTERS - REIMAGINE WORKFORCE PREPARATION GRANT PROGRAM

No.	Question	Answer
1	Our question is can we get EAC designation as part of this process (or after the fact, or in parallel)?	<p>This Request for Applications (RFA) are for organizations that are already designated as Entrepreneurship Assistance Centers (EAC) and have the capacity to provide the services outlined in the solicitation.</p> <p>New York State conducts a competitive RFA process to select and designate up to 24 organizations as EAC for a period of up to three (3) years, provided the EAC’s performance is deemed satisfactory by Empire State Development (ESD), in ESD’s sole discretion, at each annual evaluation. The current EAC designation expires in 2024.</p> <p>Please visit this link to learn more about the requirements to become an EAC.</p>
2	How can I become a designated EAC?	<p>New York State conducts a competitive Request for Applications (RFA) process to select and designate up to 24 organizations as Entrepreneurship Assistance Centers (EAC) for a period of up to three (3) years, provided the EAC’s performance is deemed satisfactory by Empire State Development (ESD), in ESD’s sole discretion, at each annual evaluation. The current EAC designation expires in 2024.</p> <p>Please visit this link to learn more about the requirements to become an EAC.</p>
3	Could you please clarify what it means to be a "Designated EAC"?	<p>A designated Entrepreneurship Assistance Centers (EAC) constitutes organizations that have been selected to operate and manage the EAC program after responding to New York State’s competitive Request for Applications (RFA) process. Empire State Development (ESD) designates up to 24 organizations as EAC for a period of up to three (3) years, provided the EAC’s performance is deemed satisfactory by ESD, in ESD’s sole discretion, at each annual evaluation. The current EAC designation expires in 2024.</p> <p>Please visit this link to learn more about the requirements to become an EAC.</p>