

CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY (Authority)
Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program
STAFF SUMMARY

Grantee: University of Southern California, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry 925 W 34 th Street. Los Angeles, CA 90089 (Los Angeles County)	Authority Meeting Date: February 27, 2025 Resolution Number: SDC 2025-13 Total Recommended Amount: \$ 3,403,111.00
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Region: Los Angeles
County to be Served: Los Angeles

Project: Renovate and expand an existing facility to develop a dental clinic with eleven operatories of which three are new dental operatories

Summary of Project:

The University of Southern California, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry (Grantee) plans to renovate an existing dental clinic by adding additional square footage and remodeling the interior. The renovated dental clinic, having three new dental operatories and eight remodeled dental operatories, in Los Angeles County, will provide dental services for adult special health care needs patients, who have disabilities that prevent them from receiving routine or specialty care due to their physical, developmental, or cognitive condition. The renovations and the new equipment, such as a bariatric dental chair and wheelchair lift, will optimize space and improve accessibility. Additionally, the Grantee provides dental students with a hands-on learning experience, fostering the growth of a more skilled dental workforce capable of serving patients with special health care needs. The Grantee anticipates the expanded dental clinic will serve approximately 1,200 special health care needs patients annually. Upon completion of the project, special health care needs patients will constitute 50 percent or more of the total number of patient visits of those receiving dental services in the project paid for with grant funds. Grant funds will be used for construction and renovation expenses and the purchase of equipment and furnishings. Additional leveraged funding will be used to cover expenses that exceed the grant award amount. Staff evaluated the plan and has determined that the project is likely to be feasible and sustainable.

Summary of Amounts:

Applicant	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
University of Southern California, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry	\$4,263,483.00	\$3,403,111.00 ¹

Legal Review:

The Grantee did not disclose any information regarding its financial viability or legal integrity that warranted specialized consideration.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Authority approve Resolution Number SDC 2025-13 for a Final Allocation in an amount not to exceed \$3,403,111.00 for University of Southern California, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry, subject to the conditions in the resolution.

¹ Some costs were deemed ineligible.

RESOLUTION NO. SDC 2025-13

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH
FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY APPROVING
EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF GRANT FUNDING UNDER
THE SPECIALTY DENTAL CLINIC GRANT PROGRAM
TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, HERMAN OSTROW
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY OF**

WHEREAS, The California Health Facilities Financing Authority (the “Authority”), a public instrumentality of the State of California, is authorized by the provisions of the Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program (“Program”) (Section 2.00, Chapter 43, Statutes of 2022 (SB 154); Section 47, Chapter 45 Budget Act of 2022 (AB 178); and Section 2.00, Chapter 12, Statutes of 2023 (SB 101)) and implementing guidelines (“Guidelines”) to award grants to support the construction, expansion, modification, or adaptation of specialty dental clinics in California to increase access to oral health care for the special health care needs populations; and

WHEREAS, the University of Southern California, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry (“Grantee”) qualifies as an eligible applicant under the Program Guidelines.

WHEREAS, Authority staff reviewed the application submitted by the Grantee against the eligibility requirements pursuant to the Program in accordance with all relevant authority and recommends the approval of a grant in an amount not to exceed \$3,403,111.00 for the eligible project (the “Project”), as described in the Grantee’s application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the California Health Facilities Financing Authority as follows:

Section 1. The Authority hereby approves a grant not to exceed the amount of \$3,403,111.00 to the Grantee to complete the Project within a grant period that ends on August 31, 2028. Within this grant period, Grantee shall provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff demonstrating that the Project shall be operational on or before October 31, 2027, and funding shall not be disbursed if the Grantee is unable to provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff. Grantee must submit all disbursement requests, including required supporting documentation, to the Authority no later than February 29, 2028.

Section 2. For and on behalf of the Authority, the Executive Director and the Deputy Executive Director, in the absence of the Executive Director, are hereby authorized and directed to do all of the following:

(a) Approve any non-material changes in the Project described in the application submitted to the Authority. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to require the Authority to provide additional funding, even if more grants are approved, exceeding available funding. Any notice to the Grantee shall indicate that the Authority shall not be liable to the Grantee in any manner whatsoever should that funding not be available for any reason whatsoever.

(b) Allocate funding not to exceed those amounts approved by the Authority for the Grantee.

(c) Execute and deliver to the Grantee any and all documents necessary to complete the transfer of moneys that are consistent with the Program.

(d) Do any and all things and to execute and deliver any and all documents that the Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director, in the absence of the Executive Director, deems necessary or advisable to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution and the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 3. All funding from this grant shall be used in support of the Grantee's Project, as described in the Program application and Exhibit A to this Resolution.

Section 4. This resolution shall repeal on August 31, 2028, unless extended by action of the Authority prior to that date.

Date Approved: _____

EXHIBIT A

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proceeds of the grant will be used by the University of Southern California, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry (“Grantee”) as follows:

The Grantee must add at least three (3) new dental operatories and renovate eight (8) existing dental operatories for a total of eleven (11) dental operatories, in the Los Angeles Region, to provide dental services to the Special Health Care Needs Populations as defined in the Program Guidelines Section 1(z) which include “*children and adults who have disabilities that prevent them from receiving routine or specialty care due to their physical, developmental, or cognitive condition*” and as further detailed in its application or as mutually agreed upon by the Grantee and the Authority under applicable authority. Upon completion of the project, Special Health Care Needs Populations patients must constitute at least 50 percent of the Facility’s Caseload, with the requirement applicable only to Facilities financed with Grant funds. The Grantee may use grant funds to finance eligible costs in support of the Grantee’s Project as stated in Section 3 of the Program Guidelines¹.

Summary of Amount:

Project	Approved Grant Amount
University of Southern California, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry	\$3,403,111.00
Total	<u>\$3,403,111.00</u>

¹ All capitalized terms used in the Resolution are defined in Section 1 of the Program Guidelines.