

## Content

Title :	OCAC Directions for Hosting Taiwan Youth and Overseas Expatriate Bridging Program Subsidy 
Date :	2022.03.21
Legislative :	1.The whole 7 articles promulgated by OCAC order Qiao-Zong-Qi-Zi No.1110700293 on March 21, 2022, and effective immediately.
Content :	<p>I. Purpose: The Overseas Community Affairs Council (hereinafter referred to as the OCAC) has promulgated the directions for encouraging overseas groups or individuals to participate in the Taiwan Youth and Overseas Expatriate Bridging Program (hereinafter referred to as the Bridging Program), which aims to increase Taiwanese youths' understanding of the government' s overseas community affairs, establish the connection between overseas compatriot communities and them, broaden their international vision, and enhance their international exchange opportunities.</p> <p>II. Applicant Eligibility: Overseas Reception units (including groups and individuals) with capabilities of guest reception, enthusiasm and experience in organizing activities similar to the Bridging Program, must be recommended by overseas representative offices of the ROC (Taiwan) (hereinafter referred to as overseas offices) and be approved of by the OCAC.</p> <p>III. Subsidy items and amount: 1. The expenditures of guest reception for OCAC-approved Taiwanese youths participating in the Bridging Program during their visits overseas. 2. The subsidy amount is subject to the OCAC' s annual budget plan and be regulated in other relevant guidelines.</p> <p>IV. Subsidy application: 1. In accordance to relevant annual guidelines, when an applicant applies for a subsidy, the Application Form and Proposal (as shown in Attachments 1 and 2) should be submitted to overseas offices. Subsidy application will be transferred to the OCAC through overseas offices, and be approved of by the OCAC. 2. When the same case applies for a subsidy to more than two agencies, the content of all expenditure and the items and amount applied to each agency for must be listed. In the case of misrepresentation or falsehood, the OCAC can revoke the subsidy.</p> <p>V. Disbursement verification: 1. Disbursement procedures: the subsidy will be paid the whole amount at once. A subsidized unit should submit the following documents to overseas offices for disbursement verification within one month of the day after the Bridging Program finished: Income and Expenditure List for OCAC Public Funds Subsidizes for Groups and Individual (as shown in Attachment 3), the original receipts of the expenditure of the subsidy amount, Subsidy Implementation Form (as shown in Attachment 4), Result Report (as shown in Attachment 5), and other documents required by relevant annual guidelines. The submitted documents will be</p>

transferred to the OCAC for the approval process through overseas offices.

If the submission is overdue for write off before the last day of the fiscal year (December 31), the OCAC reserves the right to cancel the subsidy.

2. Matters needing attention:

A. When a subsidized unit handles disbursement verification, the use of the expenditures and all total amounts must be listed. If the same case receives subsidies from more than two agencies, the actual subsidy items and amount received from each agency must be listed.

B. If a subsidized unit encounters any of the following circumstances, subsidy should be re-calculated according to the basis listed below:

a. When the total expenditure of the activity is larger than or equal to estimated total income, the actual expenditure is 30% or more less than expenditure, and the OCAC subsidy totals USD5,000 or more (or EUR3,800,

JPY190,000, AUD4,800, or NTD150,000), the subsidy amount should be re-calculated according to the originally approved subsidy proportion (the approved subsidy amount as a proportion of originally estimated expenditure).

b. When the total expenditure of the activity is smaller than total income, the subsidy amount should be re-calculated according to the originally approved subsidy proportion.

C. A subsidized unit who encounters any of the following circumstances shall be penalized. The OCAC has the right to impose subsidy revocation, subsidy cancellation, subsidy deduction, returning of acquired or overpaid subsidies, and up to 5 years' rejection of future applications, depending on the gravity of the situation.

a. When overseas offices verify improper behavior on the part of the subsidized units, such as violating local regulations or engaging in activities unrelated to the purposes of the Bridging Program, and refusing to refrain from such acts, they should report to the OCAC.

b. If the OCAC finds out that the subsidy has been used for a purpose other than the approved Application Form and Proposal, or results are poor, false, or inflated reporting.

c. Submitting documents that are confirmed by the OCAC to contain incorrect information or involve copyright infringement.

D. A subsidized unit should bear responsibility based on the principle of good faith for the balance and the validity and authenticity of the payments that were made in accordance with the expenditure receipts submitted, as well as liability for any falsehoods.

VI. In case of major government policy changes or the legislature' s eliminating or reducing of budgets that lead to difficulty in providing subsidies, the OCAC is entitled to notify the subsidized units of the termination of subsidizing.

VII. Please refer to “Directions for Central Government Agencies subsidizing or Donating to Civil Groups or Individuals” and relevant regulations and directions for matters not included in the Directions.

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Attachments : Attachment 1-5.pdf

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Data Source : Overseas Community Affairs Council, Republic of China (Taiwan) Laws and Regulations Retrieving System