



## Response to Questions

NEK-PCE

*March 10, 2021*

**Update:** The Letter of Intent is no longer required. If you have not submitted a Letter of Intent, you are still eligible to apply for this grant.

- 1. We are a Hydro and aquatic center located in Woodsville NH, We are a border community on the Connecticut River, serving both VT and NH. Are we eligible to apply for this grant?**

This grant covers the towns listed on page 7 of the RFA:

- ***St. Johnsbury service area:*** Barnet, Burke, Concord, Danville, East Haven, Granby, Groton, Guildhall, Kirby, Lunenburg, Lyndon, Maidstone, Newbury (including Wells River), Newark, Peacham, Ryegate, St. Johnsbury, Sheffield, Sutton, Topsham, Victory, Walden, Waterford, Wheelock
- ***Newport service area:*** Albany, Averill, Avery's Gore, Barton (including Orleans), Bloomfield, Brighton (including Island Pond), Brownington, Brunswick, Canaan, Charleston, Coventry, Derby, Ferdinand, Glover, Holland, Irasburg, Jay, Lemington, Lewis, Lowell, Morgan, Newport City, Newport Town, Norton, Troy, Warner's Grant, Warren's Gore, Westfield, Westmore

You would need to be able to show that the program you propose would impact community members of the towns listed above. You will need to demonstrate that the amount of funds requested in the budget be proportional to the needs/populations impacted.

2. **On page 8 of the RFA it states: All materials created under subawards funded through this RFA that are intended for use with the public, such as surveys, prevention toolkits, or educational materials (including but not limited to posters, flyers, brochures, presentations, videos) will be made available for use under the terms of a Creative Commons AttributionNonCommercial-ShareAlike 4.0 International License and submitted with the appropriate semi-final or final performance report. Does this include proprietary products of the grantee?**

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3. **Budget:**

- a. **Clarifying that the limit on indirect is 10%**

The indirect rate is limited to de minimis rate of 10% unless another rate has been federally negotiated.

- b. **One of the Unallowable costs: Costs incurred by advisory councils or committees are unallowable unless authorized by statute, the Federal awarding agency or as an indirect cost where allocable to Federal awards. See §200.444, applicable to States, local governments, and Indian tribes. We have been known to use Advisory Groups to inform our work, and we have budgeted for stipends for Advisory Group members to offset their time spent in the Group. Is this not an allowable budget expense?**

A stipend can be no more than a value of \$30.00 and it can NOT be cash – must be the value in either an item or gift card, etc.

- c. **Is travel an allowable expense, related to grant activities?**

Yes.

- d. **To clarify: the grant request can be for up to \$25K, but the budget can be for more than that as long as there is a match from another source and the request remains at \$25K or lower.**

Please present a budget for no more than \$25,000.

Subaward recipients are not required to obtain a financial match from another source, but if you will be using other funds to help achieve project goals, please

include the source and amount in your budget narrative and note whether those funds are already secured or if the request is still pending. If still pending, explain briefly what changes in budget/scope would be required if you do not receive those additional funds.

**4. Is the timing in the grant correct as listed--projects to be completed and funds to be spent by September 15<sup>th</sup> 2021?**

Yes that is correct. We wish there was more time for projects but our funder has that limit with these funds.