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FUNDING SYNOPSIS

PARTNERSHIPS FOR OPPORTUNITY AND WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION IN COAL-AFFECTED APPALACHIA (POWER)

DEADLINE:

LETTER OF INTENT TO APPLY: MARCH 5TH, 2021

FULL APPLICATION: APRIL 16TH, 2021

GRANTING AGENCY:

APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION

PROGRAM PURPOSE:

PARTNERSHIPS FOR OPPORTUNITY AND WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION (POWER) IS A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM OF THE APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION THAT PROVIDES FUNDING FOR WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION ACTIVITIES IN COMMUNITIES AND REGIONS THAT HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY JOB LOSSES IN COAL MINING, COAL POWER PLANT OPERATIONS, AND COAL-RELATED SUPPLY CHAIN INDUSTRIES.

THE PROGRAM FUNDS PROJECTS THAT:

- WILL PRODUCE MULTIPLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES, SUCH AS PROMOTING REGIONAL ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DIVERSIFICATION, NEW JOB CREATION, AND RE-EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISPLACED COAL-ECONOMY WORKERS
- ARE SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED UNDER STATE, LOCAL, AND/OR REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANS

- HAVE BEEN COLLABORATIVELY DESIGNED BY DIVERSE STATE, LOCAL, AND REGIONAL STAKEHOLDERS

PRIORITY AREAS INCLUDE:

- BUILDING A COMPETITIVE WORKFORCE, INCLUDING STRENGTHENING THE HEALTHCARE SECTOR, AND WORKING TO IMPROVE HEALTH CONDITIONS THAT AFFECT ECONOMIC VITALITY
- ENHANCING ACCESS TO AND USE OF BROADBAND SERVICES
- STRENGTHENING SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESPONSE
- FOSTERING ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITIES
- DEVELOPING INDUSTRY CLUSTERS IN COMMUNITIES

FUNDS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS TO ASSIST COMMUNITIES AND REGIONS IN DEVELOPING PLANS AND STRATEGIES FOR TRANSFORMING THEIR ECONOMIC STRUCTURES.

ELIGIBILITY:

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS INCLUDE:

- LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS
- TRIBES OR A CONSORTIUM OF TRIBES
- STATES, COUNTIES, CITIES, OR OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF A STATE, INCLUDING A SPECIAL PURPOSE UNIT OF A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENGAGED IN ECONOMIC OR INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, OR A CONSORTIUM OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
- INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR A CONSORTIUM OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION
- PUBLIC OR PRIVATE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS OR ASSOCIATIONS

PROJECTS SHOULD BENEFIT ONE OR MORE OF THE COUNTIES IN THE [APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION SERVICE AREA](#).

AWARD MAXIMUM:

- UP TO \$50,000 FOR PLANNING GRANTS
- \$400,000 - \$2,500,000 FOR BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT PROJECTS
- \$400,000 - \$1,500,000 FOR ALL OTHER IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS



MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT:

UNDER POWER FY21, APPLICANTS FOR AN ARC GRANT MUST DEMONSTRATE A MATCHING SHARE FROM NON-ARC SOURCES THAT IS IDENTIFIED AND FORTHCOMING TO THE PROJECT. MATCHING SOURCES MAY BE NON-FEDERAL, OTHER FEDERAL, OR A COMBINATION OF SOURCES, INCLUDING IN-KIND SOURCES. THE MAXIMUM SHARE OF ARC ASSISTANCE IS DETERMINED BY THE ARC CLASSIFICATION OF THE COUNTY (OR ALL COUNTIES) SERVED BY THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY. APPLICANTS MAY REQUEST UP TO 80% OF THE TOTAL PROJECT COST WHEN THE COUNTY SERVED BY A PROJECT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS ECONOMICALLY “DISTRESSED” ACCORDING TO ARC’S FY21 CLASSIFICATION. A TABLE SUMMARIZING ARC’S ECONOMIC DESIGNATIONS AND THE MAX.

TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE:

TBD

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF AWARDS:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

[HTTPS://WWW.ARC.GOV/ARCS-POWER-INITIATIVE/](https://www.arc.gov/arcs-power-initiative/)

