



2017 Volunteer Generation Fund Grant Competition

Technical Assistance Call
May 18, 2017

Agenda

- Fund History/Background
- Notice Overview
- Questions

Fund History/Background

- **2009** SAA Passage creates the VGF Fund
- **Purpose** To help NGOs recruit, manage & support volunteers
- **2010-13** 19 state commission grantees
- **2014-17** 17 state commission grantees

Notice of Funding Highlights



IMPORTANT:
PLEASE READ
THE ENTIRE
NOTICE OF
FUNDING!

Deadlines



- Tuesday, June 6, 5pm EST: Notice of Intent to Apply due
 - Not required, but encouraged
 - Information on submitting Notice of Intent found on page 5, including link to Survey Monkey for NOI submission

Deadlines



- **Thursday, July 6, 5pm EST:**
Applications due
- **September: Results announced**

Funding Priorities



- Programs that are likely to generate significant, measurable improvements in the number of volunteers generated and retained from **specific demographic groups** such as youth service, generational/family volunteering, skill-based volunteering or senior volunteering
- Initiatives that specifically recruit, train and deploy volunteers as a strategy to **address a clearly identified pressing community need or to address education**
- Activities that specifically recruit **skill-based and pro-bono volunteers.**

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Performance Measure Requirements

- Two capacity building outputs and outcomes are required, and
- At least one other performance measure output
 - May be applicant determined
- You must enter volunteers, MSYs, hours, and \$ in the resource allocation section of the performance measures. Enter 0.1 for all resource allocations in the performance measures module. The reporting for volunteers and hours will be done through the measures rather than through the resource allocations.

Required Performance Measure

- G3-3.4: number of organizations that received capacity building services from CNCS supported organizations or national service participants.
- G3-3.3: number of organizations implementing three or more effective volunteer management practices as a result of capacity building service provided by CNCS supported organizations or national service participants.

Performance Measure Requirements

One of the following pairs:

- G3-3.1: number of community volunteers recruited by CNCS-supported organizations or national service participants; and
- G3-3.7: hours of service contributed by community volunteers who were recruited by CNCS-supported organizations or national service participants.

or

- G3-3.2: number of community volunteers managed by CNCS-supported organizations or national service participants; and
- G3-3.8: hours of service contributed by community volunteers who were managed by CNCS-supported organizations or national service participants.

Performance Measures

- Recruited: Enlisted or enrolled as a direct result of an intentional effort to do so.
- Managed: Includes training, direction, coordination and supervision of the community volunteer by the CNCS-supported organization or national service participant in tasks, duties and services for the intended purpose of supporting or enhancing the program delivery model

Project Period



- Three year project period
- Initial award one year
- Funding for the second and third year of the project period is dependent upon:
 - Satisfactory performance
 - Availability of Congressional appropriations

Match and Page Limits



- Match requirements increase with each year and are as follows:
 - 20% in the first year
 - 30% in the second year
 - 40% in the third year
 - 50% in the fourth year and any later year in which a recipient receives a VGF grant.
- Page Limits:
 - 15 pages as they print from eGrants
 - Does not include budget or performance measures

Technical Assistance



- Frequently Asked Questions
 - Questions can be submitted to volunteergeneration@cns.gov
 - Answers posted in the FAQs
 - Notice website: www.nationalservice.gov/vgf

Application Deadline



Applications due: July
6, 5:00 p.m. Eastern
Time