



Technical Assistance Call #1

OPERATION AMERICORPS TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE #1

NOTICE OF FUNDING



Operation AmeriCorps resources and priorities

- Focus on transformational change
- Open only to tribal and local governments
- Chief Executive (Mayor, etc) must be highly engaged
- AmeriCorps as the implementation tool to reach a holistic goal that would be a game changer
- Two year project period

Keys for Successful Applicants



- New project or scaling existing strategy
- Importance of outcomes and measurement
- Connect with existing AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and Social Innovation Fund grantees
- Demonstrate community support and funding

Operation AmeriCorps Overview

- AmeriCorps State and National, AmeriCorps VISTA, and AmeriCorps NCCC in a single grant offering:
 - AmeriCorps State and National grant funds
 - AmeriCorps VISTA members
 - AmeriCorps NCCC teams
- Funding Priorities:
 - Priority 1: Post high pathways for all graduates
 - Priority 2: Projects in any of CNCS's 6 focus areas

Review Process

What	Who	When	Content
Part One (Concept Paper)	Any eligible applicant	January 13, 2015 5 p.m. Eastern	Program Design
Notification of finalists	CNCS will notify selected applicants	February 17, 2015	5-10 applications selected as finalists
Part Two (Full Application)	Finalists	March 9, 2015 5 p.m. Eastern	Program Design, Org Capacity, Budget

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Stage	Technical Assistance
Part One (Concept Paper)	TA Calls
Part Two (Full Application)	TA Module provided to finalists upon selection

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Stage	Additional Resources
Part One (Concept Paper)	OperationAmeriCorps@cns.gov FAQs
Part Two (Full Application)	Individual calls with finalists

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Notice of Intent



- December 29, 2014 at 5 p.m. Eastern
- Allows competition planning
- Can better share updates with pool
- May need to apply via commission

Page Limits



Item	Page limits
Part One (Concept Paper)	10 pages
Part Two (Full Application)	18 pages
Logic model	3 pages (separate from full application)

SELECTION CRITERIA



- Selection criteria and rubric available
- Part One: Program Design
 - Pages 3-4 of Notice of Funding
- Part Two: Full application
 - Page 4 of Notice of Funding
 - Notice of Funding Attachment 5: Step

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Submissions



- eGrants
- Start early!
- National Service Hotline
 - 800-942-2677
 - Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Eastern

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