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Senior Companion Program Replacement and Expansion Opportunity: Tour of the Notice of Funding Opportunity – Selection Criteria Review

Fiscal Year 2024

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Poll #1

Question 1:
Did you attend our last live event, **Identifying Priority Areas in Your Community**?

Question 2:
Have you accessed the training and technical assistance resources and webinars on the funding opportunity webpage?

Poll #2

How confident do you feel in your current level of knowledge relating to **selection criteria** for the Senior Companion Program Replacement and Expansion Funding Opportunity?

5- Very Confident

4- Confident

3- Neutral/Not sure

2- Not confident

1- Not very confident

Important Dates

Applications are due no later than **Thursday, February 1, 2024, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.**

Successful applicants will be issued awards by **June 2024.**

Successful applicants will be notified by **April 2024.**

Contact Information

For questions related to this funding opportunity, contact FGPSCPReplacement@americorps.gov.

For details on this opportunity and to see other opportunities available through AmeriCorps, visit the AmeriCorps Funding Opportunities website.

Key Terms

1. **Geographic Service Area:** The counties in which volunteer stations are located and services are provided.

2. **Focus Area:** One of a set of six core priority issue areas identified in the Serve America Act where AmeriCorps focuses national service and measures its impact.

3. **Service Activity:** The service performed by AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers that supports an identified community need and aligns with AmeriCorps Seniors funding priorities and focus areas.

4. **Sponsor:** A public agency or private non-profit organization, either secular or faith- based, that receives Senior Companion Program funding and is legally responsible for stewarding grant funds. *Also referred to as grantees.*

5. **Volunteer Service Year:** Equal to 1,044 hours of volunteer service activity per year. The standardized stipend cost per **VSY** is calculated by multiplying the number of hours served by the current cost per hour for the stipend (1,044 hours x $4.00 per hour). VSYs are also used in the work plans.

Key Terms

6. **Volunteer Station:** A public agency, secular or faith-based private non-profit organization, or proprietary health care organization that accepts the responsibility for assignment and supervision of AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers.

7. **Output**: A type of measure that tabulates, calculates, or records the actual products or services delivered by a program, such as students receiving tutoring or houses built.

8. **Outcome**: A type of measure that indicates progress toward achieving the intended result of a program, which usually represents a change in the situation of beneficiaries of service, such as increased social support or improved capacity for independent living.

9. **Performance Measures:** A set of standardized outputs and outcomes to help grantees and AmeriCorps track the impact of national service.

10. **Work Plan:** A plan that shows how the project will address a specified community need. Includes a description of the community need and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteer service activities, the chosen performance measures, and how the impact of service activities will be measured.

Funding Priorities and Primary Focus Area

Primary Focus Area and Funding Priorities

The Senior Companion Program focuses on **Healthy Futures**.

Grants must establish programming that engages adults fifty-five (55) years and older to serve as volunteers who **help older adults live independently**. Activities may include providing support and/or facilitating access to services and resources that contribute to independent living.

Senior Companion Program Funding Priorities

Primary Focus Areas and Funding Priorities

Priority consideration* will be given to:

- Projects that propose to raise public awareness about the challenges and needs of family caregivers and the role of older adult volunteers. Innovative service projects that can be executed by older adults will be given priority consideration. These projects can include those that:
  - Advance partnerships that promote greater engagement for older adult support for family caregivers.
  - Optimize well-being of family caregivers by strengthening services and supports, e.g., services to help caregivers manage their own health/emotions/physical stress, helping to find and secure other trustworthy/affordable services or supports, and those that prevent caregiver isolation.
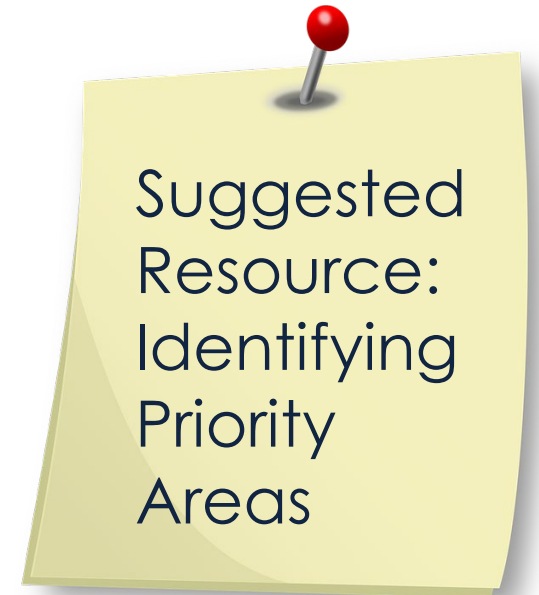
Senior Companion Program Funding Priorities

Primary Focus Areas and Funding Priorities

Funding Priorities Continued…

- Develop volunteer roles that integrate older adults as volunteers who serve as part of a care coordination for clients and ongoing support for family and other caregivers.
- Develop interventions where elders can support caregivers in tribal communities.
- Spur innovations that engage older adults in intergenerational activities that help increase access to information and services for caregivers.

*To receive priority consideration, applicants must show that the priority area is a **significant** part of the program focus and intended outcomes and must include a high-quality program design.
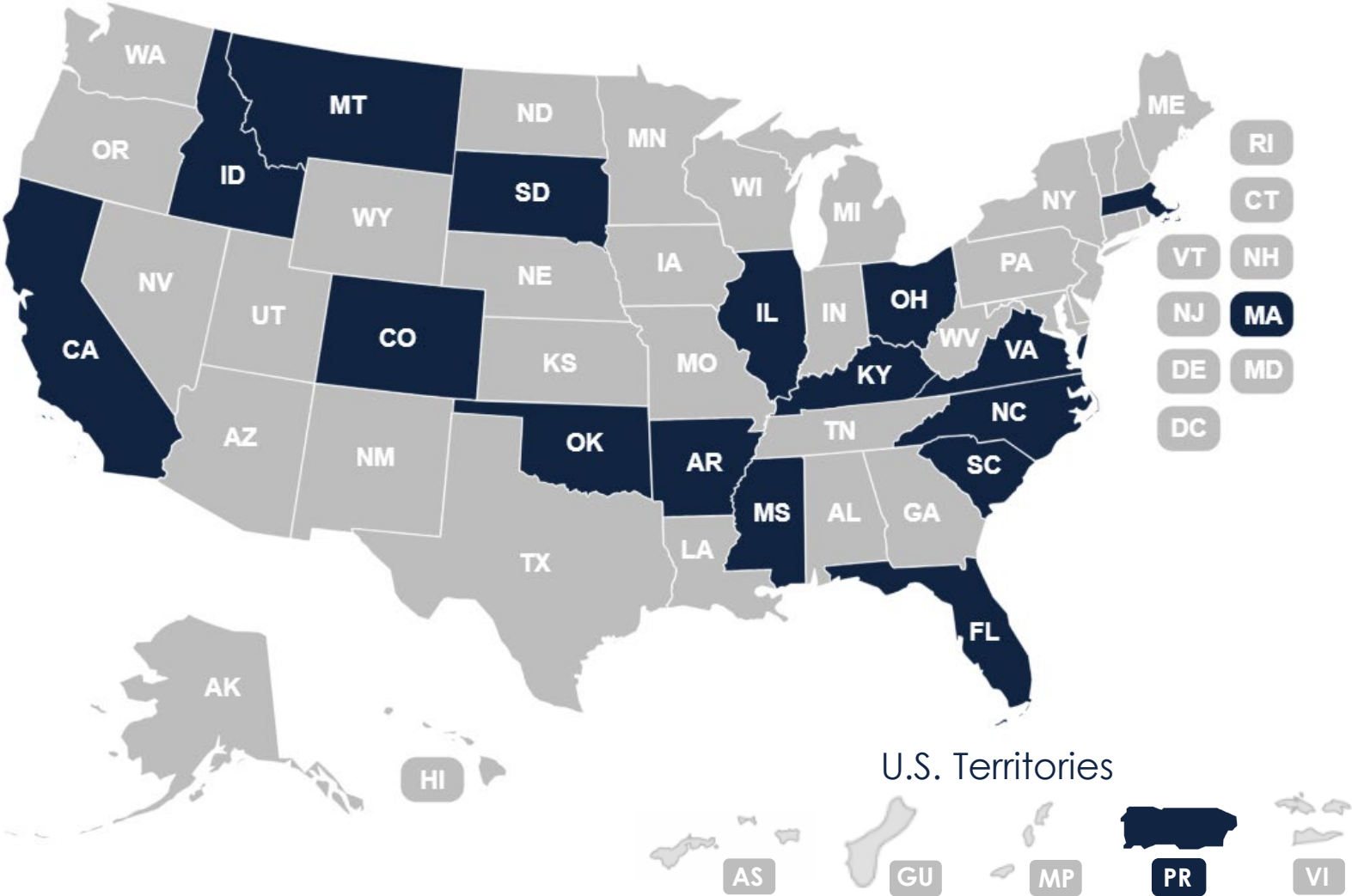
Suggested Resource: Identifying Priority Areas

AmeriCorps [Funding Opportunities](#) website.

Funding Priorities

Primary Focus Areas and Funding Priorities

- Organizations leading service in communities with **concentrated poverty**, **rural** communities, **tribal** communities, and those organizations **serving historically underrepresented and underserved individuals**, including but not limited to communities of color, immigrants and refugees, people with disabilities, people who identify as part of the LGBTQIA+ community, and religious minorities.

- Projects that propose to serve states listed in **Appendix A: Priority States and Territories**.

- Organizations that serve people with **arrest and conviction records** and provide **meaningful reentry opportunities**.

- Programs that support **civic bridgebuilding projects** (meaning projects that foster respect among diverse communities, strengthen relationships across lines of difference, forge a sense of common civic purpose, and seek to solve a community program and diminish polarization) and provide training in civic bridgebuilding skills and techniques to AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers.

Appendix A: Priority States and Territories

Primary Focus Areas and Funding Priorities

U.S. Territories

*Applicants are not limited to this list of states and territories to apply for, but AmeriCorps Seniors is prioritizing projects that designate counties in these states and territories due to relinquishments.

*Applicants can apply for one or more counties.

D.2.b. Page Limits

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Section D. Application And Submission Information

Applications may not exceed **17** double-spaced pages (based on the eGrants print out).

Count Towards Page Limit:	**Do Not Count** Towards Page Limit
• SF-424 Face Sheet • Executive Summary • Narratives	• Budget • Performance Measures/Work Plans • Other Required Additional Documents

AmeriCorps strongly encourages applicants to print out the application from the "Review and Submit" tab in eGrants prior to submission to confirm the application does not exceed the page limit.

General Recommendations for Project Narratives

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Lead from your program strengths and be explicit.

Be clear and succinct.

Avoid circular reasoning.

Avoid simply stating that the criteria will be met.

Don't make assumptions.

Avoid overuse of acronyms.

Use a proofreader.

Follow the instructions and discuss each criterion in the order they are presented in the instructions.

Suggested Resource: Grant Application Instructions

AmeriCorps Funding Opportunities website.

Section E.1. Selection Criteria

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Applications should include a well-designed plan with clear and compelling justifications for receiving the requested funds. Reviewers will assess the quality of applications by using the selection criteria described below and will rate them accordingly.

Categories/Subcategories	Percentage
Executive Summary (not scored but evaluated for following instructions)	**0**
Program Design	**30**
• Strengthening Communities	19
• Recruitment and Development	11
Organizational Capability	**30**
• Program Management	8
• Organizational Capability	22
Other	**11**
• Cost-Effectiveness and Budget Adequacy	4
• Evaluation	7
Work Plan/ Performance Measures	**18**
Budget Section 1 and Section 2	**11**

Resource: Notice of Funding Opportunity

AmeriCorps Funding Opportunities website.

Section E.1.a. Executive Summary
(Not Scored, Evaluated for Following Instructions)

Executive Summary Template

"The [**Name of the organization**] proposes to have [**number of unduplicated**] AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers who will [**specific service activities**] in [**the locations the AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will serve**]. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will serve [**XX number volunteer service hours (VSY)**] each year. The primary focus area of this project is Healthy Futures. [(*If applicable*) Other priorities include [**List priority areas to be addressed.]** AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will be responsible for [**fill in the anticipated outcome(s)**]. The AmeriCorps investment of $ [**fill in the annual AmeriCorps grant amount or the requested amount**] will be supplemented by $ [**fill in the anticipated level of non-AmeriCorps resources**]."

Executive Summary Template (continued)

"The __A__ proposes to have __B__ AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers who will __C__ in __D__. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will serve __E__ each year. The primary focus area of this project is Healthy Futures. [(*If applicable*) Other priorities include [__F__.] AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will be responsible for [fill in the anticipated outcome(s)]. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will be responsible for __G__. The AmeriCorps investment of $__H__ will be supplemented by $__I__."

- **A**: Name of the organization
- **B**: Number of unduplicated AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers
- **C**: Specific service activities
- **D**: Locations AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will serve
- **E:** Number of volunteer service hours (VSY)
- **F**: (*Optional*) Other priorities to be addressed
- **G**: Anticipated outcome(s)
- **H**: Annual AmeriCorps grant amount or the requested amount
- **I**: Anticipated level of non-AmeriCorps resources

Executive Summary Sample

The **ABC Senior Service Center** proposes to have **25** AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers **provide companionship and respite services to older adults in their homes** at the **Lake View Senior Center in Crystal County, VA**. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will be trained in best practices related to family support and respite care. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will serve **28 volunteer service years (VSY)** each year. The primary focus area of this project is **Healthy Futures**. *Other priorities include programming that focuses on aging in place, access to care, and raising awareness about the importance of respite care*. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will be responsible for **reducing isolation and providing respite services for 150 older adults**. The AmeriCorps investment of **$250,000** will be supplemented by **$50,000** private-sector funds.

Section E.1.b. Program Design
(30 Percent)

E.1.b.i. Strengthening Communities (19 Percent)

Section E.1.b. Program Design

Applications should:
- describe the community need.
- provide details on the proposed communities served by the project.
- outline the project and interventions that address the need.
- provide rationale for engaging volunteers to deliver interventions.
- list organization's diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility and describe how they are embedded in program implementation.

Suggested Resource: Identifying Priority Areas in Your Community

AmeriCorps Funding Opportunities website.

E.1.b.ii. Recruitment and Development (11 Percent)

Section E.1.b. Program Design

Applications should:
- describe the plan to recruit volunteers. Include:
  - how the recruitment plan is supported in the budget.
  - plans to recruit volunteers best suited to serve the community; for example, volunteers with geographic or demographic representation.
- detail plans to ensure volunteers receive training.
- describe a plan to retain and recognize volunteers. Include:
  - strategies to foster an inclusive culture.
  - plans to keep volunteers engaged.

Section E.1.c. Organizational Capacity (30 Percent)

E.1.c.i Program Management (8 Percent)

E.1.c. Organizational Capacity

Applications should:
- describe plans to develop volunteer stations to provide meaningful service opportunities that address stated community needs.
- describe volunteer station management plans. Include how you will ensure volunteer stations are:
  - providing guidance and training to volunteer station supervisors and volunteers.
  - meeting program regulations, priorities, and expectations.
  - providing training and assistance to volunteer station staff that fosters the creation of safe, inclusive spaces for volunteers of all identities, backgrounds, talents, and capabilities.

E.1.c.ii Organizational Capability (22 Percent)

E.1.c. Organizational Capacity

Applications should:
- provide applicant's experience developing and implementing internal policies and operating procedures.
- describe the organizational infrastructure to ensure sound programmatic and fiscal oversight.

E.1.c.ii Organizational Capability (Continued)

E.1.c. Organizational Capacity

Applications should:
- describe the extent to which the organization has sufficient policies, procedures, controls, and staff training in place to prevent, detect, and mitigate the risk of fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement: This can include how you will:
  - assess appropriate segregation of duties, internal oversight activities, measures to prevent timekeeping fraud, etc.
  - report, without delay, any suspected criminal activity, waste, fraud, and abuse to both the AmeriCorps Office of Inspector General and AmeriCorps.
  - prevent and detect non-compliance and enforce compliance with AmeriCorps rules and regulations including those related to prohibited activities and criminal history checks at the grantee and service site locations
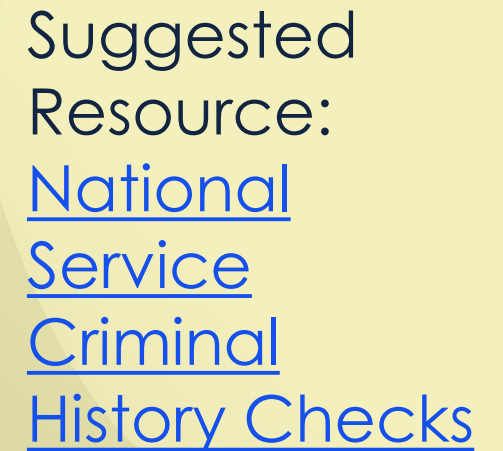
Suggested Resources:
- Segregation of Duties Worksheet
- Office of Monitoring website

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E.1.c. Organizational Capacity

Applications should:

- outline a plan to develop and implement a policy to comply with National Service Criminal History Check regulations.
- list titles and position descriptions for all staff assigned to this project and explain how these positions will ensure the accomplishment of program objectives.
- describe the applicant's experience with and plans to support diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility within their organization.

Suggested Resource: [National Service Criminal History Checks](#)

Section E.1.d. Other (11 Percent)

E.1.d.i. Cost-Effectiveness and Budget Adequacy (4 Percent):

Section E.1.d. Other
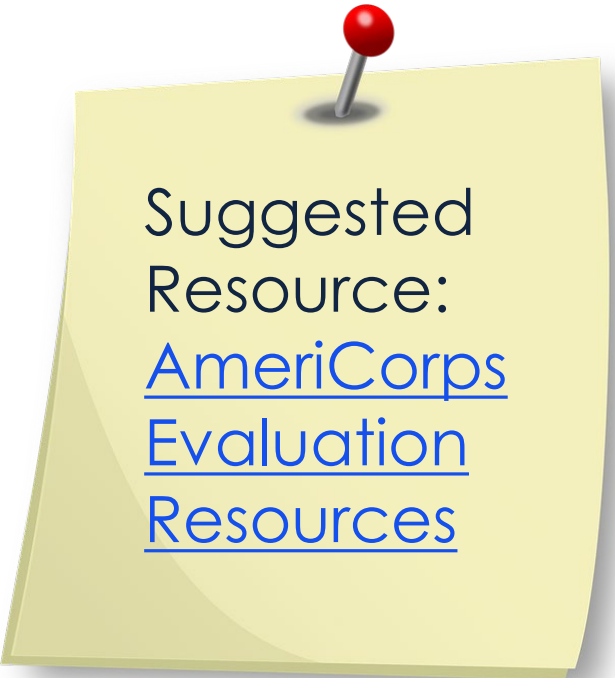
Application should:

- detail plans to secure non-federal support to ensure program sustainability. Include:
    - dedicated grant staff,
    - grant proposal processes,
    - development of in-kind support,
    - fundraising efforts, and
    - other relevant plans.

E.1.d.ii. Evaluation (7 Percent)

Section E.1.d. Other

Applications should:
- describe the data collection system including how it:
    - is sufficient to collect high quality performance measurement data.
    - will use data to track and measure the outputs and outcomes and to make data-informed decisions about the project.

Suggested Resource: [AmeriCorps Evaluation Resources](#)

Section E.1.e. Work Plan and Performance Measures (18 Percent)

Work Plans

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Work Plans - Applications must include work plans that meet the following minimum requirements:

- National Performance Measure outcomes using **Healthy Futures** as the primary focus area.
- Federal funding requests **cannot exceed $9,000 per Volunteer Service Year**.
- For every **$9,000** in annual base federal funding, **at least one** volunteer service year* must be placed in work plan that result in National Performance Measure outcomes in the Healthy Futures focus area.

*Volunteer Service Year (VSY) is a budget term which equals 1,044 hours of volunteer service activity. The standardized stipend cost per VSY is calculated by multiplying the number of hours served by the current cost per hour for the stipend (1,044 hours x $4.00 per hour). See Appendix F: Cost per Volunteer Calculator for more information.

Performance Measures, continued

Section E.1.e. Work Plan and Performance Measures

Work Plans that logically connect the following four major elements to each other and are aligned with National Performance Measures the:

1. community need(s) identified.
2. service activities that will be carried out by AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers.
3. instrument description and data collection plans.
4. target numbers that lead to outcomes or outputs and are appropriate for the total number of volunteers assigned to the performance measure.

Work Plans and Performance Measures, continued

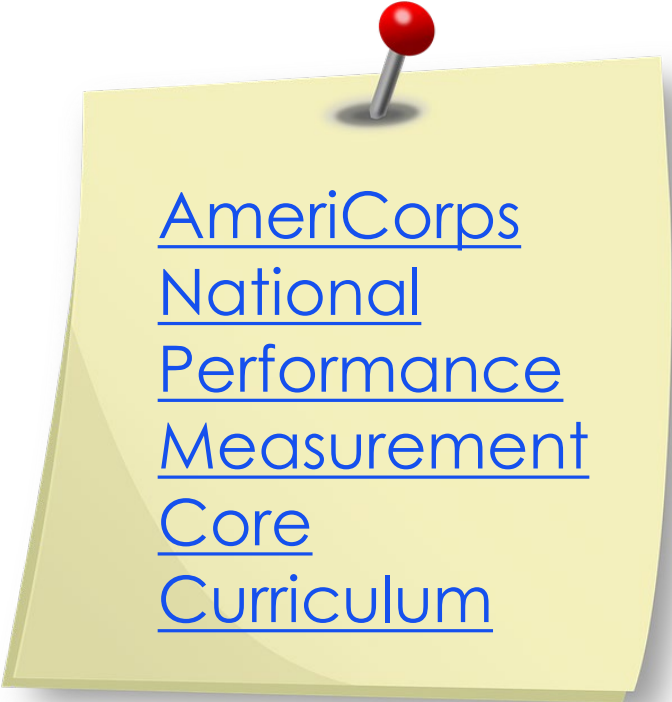Section E.1.e. Work Plan and Performance Measures

Service activities that are defined in each Work Plan must include the intervention the AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers will implement or deliver, including:
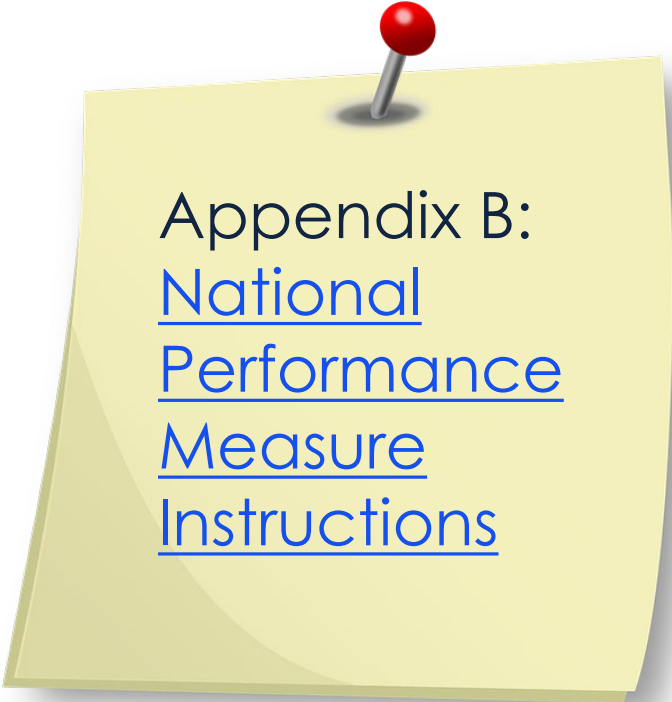
- the **duration** of the intervention (e.g., the total number of weeks, sessions, or months of the intervention).

- the **dosage** of the intervention (e.g., the number of hours per session or sessions per week).

- the **target population** for the intervention (e.g., disconnected seniors/youth, third graders at a certain reading proficiency level).

- the **measurable outputs** that result from delivering the intervention (i.e., number of beneficiaries served, types and number of activities conducted). If applicable, identify which National Performance Measures will be used as output indicators.

- **outcomes** that demonstrate changes in knowledge/skill, attitude, behavior, or condition that occur because of the intervention. If applicable, identify which National Performance Measures will be used as outcome indicators.

Work Plan and Performance Measures Resources

Section E.1.e. Work Plan and Performance Measures

AmeriCorps National Performance Measurement Core Curriculum

Appendix B: National Performance Measure Instructions

Grant Application Instructions

AmeriCorps Funding Opportunities website.

Section E.1.f. Budget Section 1 and Section 2 (11 Percent)

E.1.f. Budget (11 Percent)

The budget demonstrates that costs are reasonable, allocable, allowable, and necessary and conform to the Uniform Guidance.

- The budget is complete with all costs itemized.

- The extent to which match has been secured or the quality of the plan to raise match.

- The extent to which match will deepen the impact of the proposed project.

- The quality of the financial management system.

- Cost per Volunteer Service Year is not more than $9,000.

- Budget includes costs associated with National Service Criminal History Checks, volunteer insurance, and volunteer recognition.

E.1.f. Budget, continued (11 Percent)

Section E. Application Review Information

- The non-AmeriCorps share must be a minimum of 10% of total project costs. If needed, you may request a match waiver.
- All AmeriCorps Seniors grantees must budget for one staff person, primarily the Project Director, to attend the AmeriCorps Seniors annual convening.
  - Grantees may budget for an additional staff member to attend the event if funds permit.
  - The recommended amount for budgeting purposes is $2,000. Long distance travel funds may be re-budgeted later in the year depending on actual training activities.

Budget Resources

Section E. Application Review Information

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Best Practices in Budget Development

Sample Budget Narrative

Grant Application Instructions

Resources available on the AmeriCorps <u>Funding Opportunities</u> website.

Section E.2. Review and Selection Process

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Section E. Application Review Information

Initial Compliance and Eligibility Review → Application Review → Applicant Clarification → Pre-Award Risk Assessment → Integrity and Performance System Information → Selection for Funding

Note: AmeriCorps reserves the right to adjust or make changes to the review process, if unforeseen challenges or urgent circumstances make it impossible, impracticable, or inefficient to conduct the review process as planned. Any such adjustments or changes will not affect the selection criteria (E.1.) that will be used to assess applications.

E.3. Feedback to Applicants & E.4. Transparency in Grant-making

Section E. Application Review Information

- Each compliant applicant will receive feedback on their application.

- A list of all approved applications will be published on AmeriCorps Funded Grants website within 90 business days after all grants are awarded.

- Submitted program narratives and executive summaries for successful applications will be available upon request via email to AmeriCorpsOGA@cns.gov.

- Further information about funded grants and subgrants is also available in USASpending.gov.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

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Can two or more organizations jointly apply for one grant?

No. One organization must be identified as the sponsor organization. Other organizations can become volunteer stations but would not be considered the grantee. AmeriCorps Seniors does not allow sub-awards.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

How do I know if our agency should apply?

Suggested ways to assess:

1) Do you meet the eligibility requirements in section C.1. Eligibility? **If yes, consider applying.**

2) Can you demonstrate how Healthy Futures focus area support is needed in your community, and your agency is able to meet this need? **If yes, apply.**

3) Are you able to identify one of the other priority areas will be addressed in your application? **If yes, apply. If no, but yes to question 1, then apply. If no to both, then no.**

4) Does data show that there are older adults (aged 55+) in your community that are capable and interested in service? **If yes, then apply.**

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

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If the geographic area I wish to serve is not listed in Appendix A; can I apply for that service area?

Yes, applicants are not limited to this list of states and territories to apply for, but AmeriCorps Seniors is prioritizing projects that designate geographic service areas operating in these states and territories due to relinquishments.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

What ages group can our AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion volunteers serve?

Per the [Section 2551.81](#) of the Code of Federal Regulations, AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program serve only adults, primarily older adults, who have one or more physical, emotional, or mental health limitations and are in need of assistance to achieve and maintain their highest level of independent living.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

How does my organization determine how much federal funding we should apply for?

Applicants can request as much funding as needed to support a successful program. There are two things to consider: number of Volunteer Service Years and amount of match.

- For every $9,000 in federal funding, you must budget for and place one volunteer service year (VSY) in an outcome-based work plan with the **Access to Care objective in the Healthy Futures focus area**.

- Applicants are required to match funds equal to 10% of the total requested one-year program budget. This can be either in-kind or cash match.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

How does my organization determine how much federal funding we should apply for? (continued)

For example, if you think you can recruit 23 volunteers to serve 20 VSYs (or 20,880 hours of service) in outcome-based work plans with the Access to Care objective in the **Healthy Futures** focus area, you can request $180,000 in federal funding. Your grantee share is $20,000, and your total project budget is $200,000.

VSY * $9,000 = Federal Funding	Determine Total Project Budget	Calculate Grantee Share
20 * $9,000 = $180,000	(Federal Share/0.90) = Total Project Budget ($180,000/0.90) = $200,000	Total Project Budget * 0.10 = Grantee Share $200,000 * 0.10 = $20,000

Appendix E: Cost per Volunteer Calculator can be used to determine a minimum number of VSYs for a funding request.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Our organization is currently a grantee and are operating within a temporary geographic service area. Do we need to apply to this opportunity?

Yes. If your organization was granted permission by AmeriCorps to operate within a geographic service area that was not a part of your original project, the new geographic service area needs to be applied for during this opportunity. The application will only be for the new service area and will not have an impact on your current grant. If the application is successful, the original project can be amended to merge both into a single grant.

Without a successful grant application, organizations will not be allowed to operate in temporary geographic service areas beyond June 2024.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Our organization is currently a temporary sponsor of a relinquished project. Do we need to apply to this opportunity?

Yes. If your organization was granted permission by AmeriCorps to operate as a temporary sponsor for a relinquished project, to maintain services as an AmeriCorps grantee, the organization must apply for this opportunity

Without a successful grant application, organizations will not be allowed to operate in temporary geographic service areas beyond June 2024.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

If I am applying for the geographic service area to be permanently added, do we need apply for funding if we do not need it?

No. Applicants can propose the funding level needed to meet the needs of a successful project in the geographic area. There maybe cases where programs are already operating and are requesting to add the geographic service area. If awarded, current grantees may choose to merge the new award into current grants. These cases may not need funds and will apply with a zero budget.

If you are requesting zero dollars in funding, ensure you clearly communicate and describe how staffing, volunteers, and programmatic needs will be met in section E.1.d.i. Cost-Effectiveness and Budget Adequacy -enter your response in Other section of eGrants

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Do we need to have a full-time Project Director budgeted in our application?

For new applicants **yes**. Section 2551.25(c) of the Code of Federal Regulations states projects should employ a full-time project director to accomplish project objectives and manage the functions and activities delegate to project staff for Senior Companion projects(s) within its control.

For current AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program grantees applying to permanently add geographic service area, **no.** They don't need to budget for a full-time director, as their current grant has the full-time director already.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Do you have any tips for having a complete application?

1) Read and reread the Notice of Funding Opportunity and make sure you answer each of the questions in Section E.1. Selection Criteria.
2) Include your leadership, board, and financial staff in addressing the items in Section E.1. Selection Criteria.
3) Clearly describe how your proposal addresses each criteria and sub-criteria as outlined in Section E.1. Selection Criteria.
4) Check your Work Plans, ensure there are no blanks.
5) Ensure you are budgeting and programing for at least 1 Volunteer Service Year per $9,000 of funding.
6) Check the math in your budget.
7) Do not exceed 17 pages.

Recap and Knowledge Check

Recap

Priority Consideration

To receive priority consideration, applicants must show that the priority area is a significant part of the program focus and intended outcomes and must include a high-quality program design.

Selection Criteria

- Selection criteria can be found in Section E.1. Selection Criteria of the Notice of Funding Opportunity

- Each application will be reviewed by a panel of AmeriCorps staff members.

Application Deadlines

- Applications are due no later than Thursday, February 1, 2024, at 5:00 pm Eastern Time (ET).

- Successful applicants will be notified by **April 2024**.

- Successful applicants will be issued award by June 2024.

Knowledge Check

What is the Primary Focus of the Senior Companion Program?

Healthy Futures

The executive summary is the highest scored section.

FALSE – This section is not scored but will be evaluated for following instructions.

Applicants are limited to only areas listed in Appendix A

FALSE – Applicants are NOT limited to the states and territories in Appendix A.

Applicant Training and Technical Assistance

Notice of Funding Opportunity Appendices

Appendix Name	Purpose
Appendix A: Priority States and Territories	Applicants are not limited to this list of states and territories to apply for, but AmeriCorps Seniors is prioritizing projects that designate Geographic Service Areas operating in these states and territories due to relinquishments. Applicants can apply for one or more counties in a state.
Appendix B: National Performance Measure Instructions	Guidance for performance measures selection, output and outcome pairings, and required information for Work Plan in eGrants.
Appendix C: Terms and Definitions	Terms and Definitions provides information for terms most used in AmeriCorps Seniors.
Appendix D: Grant Application Instruction	Grant Application Instructions submitting your application in eGrants.
Appendix E: Cost Per Volunteer Calculator	Resource to help applicants determine a minimum number of volunteer service years (VSY) for a funding request.

AmeriCorps [Funding Opportunities](#) website.

Additional Applicant Training and Technical Assistance

Live Events (Requires Registration)	Pre-Recorded
AmeriCorps Seniors in Action: Mobilizing a Generation	Introducing AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps Seniors, and Its Programs
Identifying Funding Priority Areas in Your Community	AmeriCorps National Performance Measures Curriculum
Tour of the Notice of Funding Opportunity – Selection Criteria Review	Best Practices in Budget Development
National Performance Measures and Work Plans	Submitting Your Application in eGrants
Senior Companion Program Office Hours: Budget Q&A	AmeriCorps Due Diligence Review and Compliance Training
Senior Companion Program Office Hours: General and Performance Measurement Q&A	Frequently Asked Questions (*Document*)

For more information, visit the [Funding Opportunity](#) Page.

Additional Applicant Training and Technical Assistance

Next Live Event

National Performance Measures and Work Plans

Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 3:30 p.m. ET.

Senior Companion Program Office Hours

- Budget Q&A, Wednesday, January 17, 2024, 1:30 p.m. ET

- General and Performance Measures Q&A, Thursday, January 18, 2024, 3:30 p.m. ET

- Pre-Submit Questions for webinar

Poll #3

Having attended today's webinar, how confident do you feel in your current level of knowledge relating to **selection criteria** for the Senior Companion Program Replacement and Expansion Funding Opportunity?

5- Much more confident

4- More confident

3- Neutral/Not sure

2- Less confident

1- Much less confident

Questions?

Please enter your questions into the Q&A box.

Thank you for your interest in AmeriCorps Seniors funding opportunities.