GRANT PROGRAM:
Eligible for Fall 2022 Term "Graduates"

OVERVIEW

As part of the Appalachian Regional Commission's new community capacity building initiative, *READY Appalachia*, another round of topical instruction will be offered in Fall 2022.

A special benefit of the Fall 2022 term for nonprofit organizations based in the ARC region is the opportunity to receive a grant of up to $25,000 after successful completion of a course. The match-free grant can be used for any project identified during the term and implemented within 18 months of receipt of the award.

The simple, two-page grant application can be submitted immediately after successful completion of the Fall 2022 term (mid-late November). Eligible nonprofit organizations must apply for the financial assistance before March 31, 2023.

Content Specialists and the *READY Appalachia's* nonprofit program manager will consult with grant recipients throughout the course of the grant period . This assistance will help ensure the grant's successful implementation and project outcomes.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **Who is eligible for the nonprofit grant?** Any nonprofit organization that successfully completes the Fall 2022 term has the opportunity to submit a grant application. Fall 2022 "graduates" that submit a qualified project application will receive up to $25,000.

2. **When is the project due?** The grant project must be completed within 18 months from the receipt of the award.

3. **What can the grant be used for?** The grant can be used for one or more projects that are identified during the course of instruction. Content specialists will assist with the identification of a qualified project(s).

4. **Is there a match requirement for the grant?** No.

5. **How do I apply for the grant?** The simple, two-page online grant application will be available in September. Applications will be accepted after the Fall term concludes in mid-November.

6. **Can I include more than one project in an application?** Each project should have its own application. This allows the review panel to evaluate the project on its own merit. However, a single organization can only submit one or more application for projects totaling up to $25,000.

7. **When is the grant application due?** The sooner you apply, the more quickly an approval decision can be made. However, the deadline for all nonprofit grant applications is March 31, 2023.

8. **How will the grant funds be dispersed?** Upon approval, ARC will disperse funds via a third-party organization.

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