

Frequently Asked Questions – Coalition Development Grants

Q: Who is eligible to apply for Coalition Development Grants?

Any **coalition** in SC that convenes around addressing health and/or underlying causes of poor health outcomes that does not currently receive funding from Healthy People, Healthy Carolinas (HPHC) or other funding source(s). Additionally, communities formerly funded through Blueprint for Health program are NOT eligible for this portion of SCORH and Wholespire's initiative. This includes towns and cities located in the previously funded communities by the Blueprint for Health program. They are, however, eligible to apply for mini-grants.

Note: Coalitions that are not receiving funds from HPHC, but are located in the same county, would still be eligible to apply.

Q: What if my county/ community has funding from another source for health outcome work, but not for the project I want to implement?

SCORH and Wholespire strive to use an equitable approach to funding communities. As such, communities with fewer resources are more likely to be selected for funding. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Markus Smith (msmith@scorh.net), SCORH's Program Manager of Community Health Transformation to complete a pre-grant consultation.

Q: When will CDGs be available?

October 2021

Q: How often will CDGs be available?

Annually

Q: How do I apply for this funding?

The application for CDGs will be posted at www.scorh.net and www.wholespire.org.

Q: How long do I have to submit an application?

Applications will be accepted October 2021 until November 5. The application link will close November 5, 2021, at 5 p.m.

Q: How much money is available for CDGs?

The coalition development grants are not your traditional grants. Selected coalitions will receive technical assistance to build the capacity of their collaborative through creating an action plan that will inform how the grant funds will be utilized to address health or non-health factors. Once the coalition's action plan has been developed, they will be eligible to receive project funds. Project funds up to \$25,000 will be made available to participating coalitions. Grant periods are expected to be no longer than 18 months. Projects will require a match of at least 10%. Match requirements may be cash, in-kind resources, or a combination.

Q: What can project funds be used for?

Project funds will be provided to aid in the execution of the coalition's action plan.

Funds will not be issued for:

- Doctor, dentist or pharmacist salaries
- Capital campaigns including brick and mortar establishments
- One-time or annual events including sports tournaments, camps or event incentives
- Fundraising events including purchase of tickets or tables, membership drives, raffles or auctions
- Individuals
- Political campaigns or activities that influence legislation
- Advertising
- Activities that influence religious beliefs
- Other grant-making foundations

Q: May I apply for CDGs more than once over 4 years?

No, this funding is made available one time to selected coalitions. Only one coalition will be selected per county.

Q: Are there defined outcomes expected?

Participating coalitions will:

- Aim to improve the capacity of the organization/initiative.
- Improve their knowledge and implementation of policy, systems, and environmental changes.
- Enhance community engagement strategies and partnerships with an equity lens.
- Implement an action plan to leverage available resources to address local health or non-health factors.

Q: What is the timeline for the scalable TA model implementation?

- October 2021: Application launch
- October 13, 2021: Webinar
- Application is due: November 5
- November-December 2021: Notice of Awards
- December 2021 - January 2022: Coalition On-boarding
- February 2022 - August 2022/February 2023 grant implementation (Should not exceed 18 months)

Q: Is an evaluation plan required for my project?

A formal evaluation plan is not required for this application. However, coalitions will be asked to think about the coalition's impact during the grant period. As coalitions develop and implement their action plans, they will receive technical assistance to identify population health and performance metrics associated with the coalition's desired outcomes.