



# SEID Grant Program Match Requirements

The Southeast Crescent Regional Commission's (SCRC) county economic designations determine the percentage of match required for SCRC funded projects. SCRC expects a recipient of a SEID grant to contribute its own resources to a project to the extent it can do so and to seek other non-SCRC funding assistance.

## ***SCRC's statute has match requirements on grants as described below:***

For projects in SCRC-designated transitional counties or isolated areas of distress, SCRC's federal contribution to a project may not exceed 50%.

For projects in SCRC-designated distressed counties, SCRC's federal contribution may not exceed 80%.

## **Attainment Counties**

SCRC funding is not available for projects located in SCRC designated attainment counties unless the project is located in an isolated area of distress or part of a multi-county project. In accordance with SCRC's authorizing statute, 40 U.S.C. §15501(d)(3)(B) and §15702(c)(2)(B), the participation of an attainment county in a multi-county project must also bring significant benefits to areas of the region outside of the attainment county – "interstate or multicounty benefits".

## **Regional Projects**

Multi-county or multi-state projects are considered regional projects. SCRC's contribution is raised to 60% (transitional/isolated areas of distressed/attainment counties) or 90% (distressed) for regional projects. These projects must include three or more counties or two or more states to qualify for an increased SCRC contribution and lower match requirements.

***To determine match requirements for regional projects, take the average match of the counties benefiting from the project.*** Applicants can meet their cost share/match requirement via cash and/or in-kind contributions by non-SCRC sources. Matching sources may be non-federal, other federal\* or a combination of sources.

Additional information regarding these requirements can be found in the [Notice of Funding Available \(NOFA\)](#) on pages 17 and 18.

## **\*\*\*Federal Funding Ceiling**

If a project uses funds from multiple federal sources (including SCRC), no more than 80% of the total project cost can be funded, (e.g., if an applicant receives \$100,000 from a federal source, such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the total project cost is \$200,000, the total SCRC award cannot exceed \$60,000). It is important for applicants to check with other federal sources, as each federal agency may have its own restrictions. See 40 U.S.C §15506(e).

**Example 1: Single County Project** (Attainment counties are not eligible)

Dream County, SC (Distressed county, SCRC will contribute 80% of total project cost. The match is 20%.)

Total Project Cost is \$450,000, SCRC will contribute 80% or \$360,000. The match required is \$90,000, or 20%.

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**Example 2: Project with Two Counties** (Attainment counties are not eligible)

Hope County, SC (Distressed county, SCRC will contribute 80% of total project cost. The match required is 20%.)

Prosperity County, SC (Transitional county, SCRC will contribute 50% of total project cost. The match is 50%.)

Average Match = (Hope County Match + Prosperity County Match)/Total Number of Counties

Average Match = (.20 + .50)/2 = .35 or 35%

Total project cost is \$750,000, SCRC will contribute 65% or \$487,500. The match required is 35% or \$262,500.

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**Example 3: Project with Three or More Counties or Two or More States** (Attainment counties are eligible if its participation will bring significant interstate or multicounty benefits to a region.)

Hope County, SC (Distressed county, SCRC will contribute 90% of total project cost. The match is 10%.)

Prosperity County, SC (Transitional county, SCRC will contribute 60% of total project cost. The match is 40%.)

Dream County, SC (Distressed county, SCRC will contribute 90% of total project cost. The match is 10%.)

Wish County, NC (Transitional county, SCRC will contribute 60% of total project cost. The match is 40%.)

Lead County, NC (Attainment county, SCRC will contribute 60% of project cost. The match is 40%.)

Match = (.10 + .40 + .10 + .40 + .40)/5 = .28 or 28%

The total project cost is \$900,000, SCRC will contribute 72% or \$648,000. The match required is 28% or \$252,000)