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TEFAP Reach and Resiliency: *Overview of Round 2 Grant*

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**The Emergency
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Agenda for Today's Webinar

- **Overview of Grant Initiative**
 - Background
 - Technical grant information
 - Important dates
 - Allowable uses of funding
 - Stakeholder involvement
- **Questions and Answers**

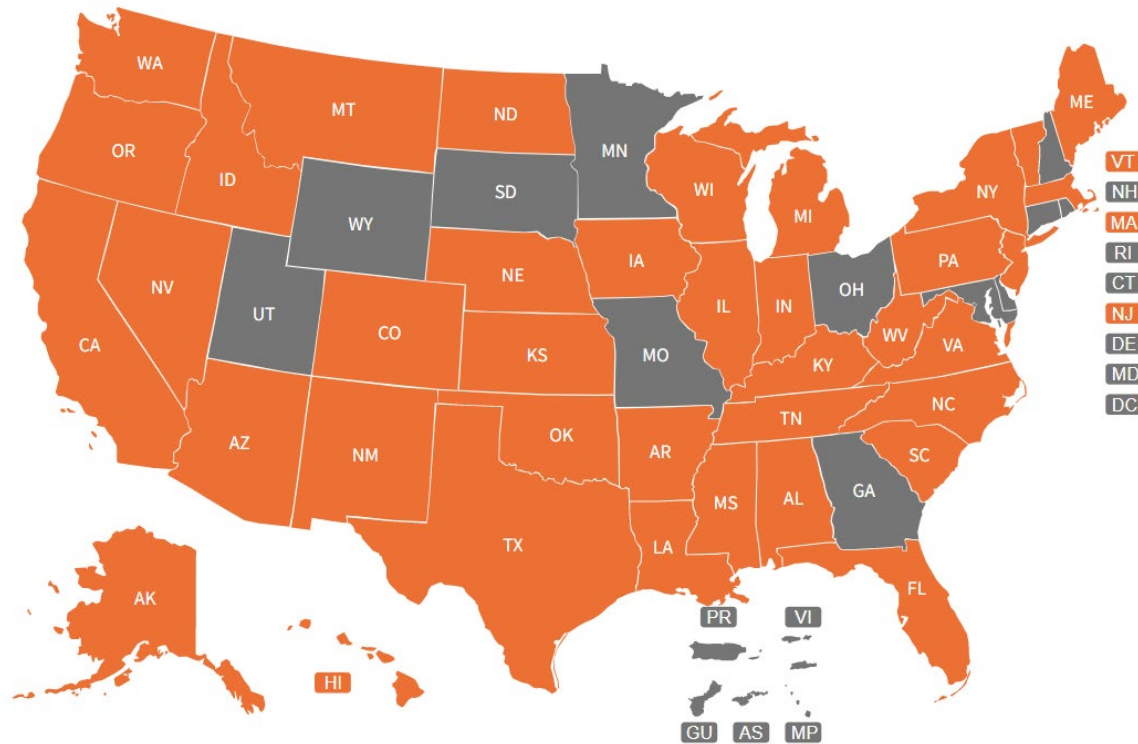
Background



- **June 2021** – USDA investment announcement
- **December 2021** – Round 1 Request for Applications (RFA) published
- **June 2022** – Round 1 awards
- **December 2022** – Round 2 RFA published



Reach and Resiliency – Round 1



<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tefap/reach-resiliency-grant>

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Round 2 Request for Applications



The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Reach and Resiliency – Round 2 Grants

Fiscal Year 2023 Request for Applications (RFA)

Catalog for Federal Domestic Assistance Number (CFDA): 10.568

Release Date: December 5, 2022
Application Due Date: March 6, 2023
Anticipated Award Date: July 2023

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Form RFA (01-21)

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Key Objective of Round 2 Grant



Expand TEFAP's reach into remote, rural, Tribal, and/or low-income areas that are underserved by the program.

Eligible Applicants for Round 2 Grant



- Only TEFAP State agencies are eligible to apply
- Any other organizations interested in participating in should contact their TEFAP State agency

Available Funding for Round 2 Grant



- **\$60.58 million nationally**
- State agencies are able to apply for a maximum amount of funding outlined for their State/Territory in Appendix B of the RFA
- They may indicate interest in additional funds as well

Maximum Eligible Funding Amounts – Round 2

Excerpt from Appendix B: Maximum Eligible Funding Amounts

REGION/STATE	MAXIMUM ELIGIBLE FUNDING AMOUNT FOR ROUND 2 TEFAP REACH AND RESILIENCY GRANT
NORTHEAST	
Connecticut	\$836,841
Maine	\$456,515
Massachusetts	\$1,136,262
New Hampshire	\$508,074
New York	\$3,089,697
Rhode Island	\$526,367
Vermont	\$360,909
Virgin Islands	\$426,189
TOTAL-NERO	\$7,340,854
MID-ATLANTIC	
Delaware	\$527,253
District of Columbia	\$521,014
Maryland	\$1,160,088
New Jersey	\$1,393,223
Pennsylvania	\$2,031,526



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Funding Information for Round 2 Grant

- This grant opportunity is:
 - Competitive
 - Available through a Request for Applications (RFA) on the Grants.gov web portal
- There are no:
 - Cost sharing requirements
 - Matching requirements
 - Pass-through requirements



Important Dates for Round 2 Grant

- **Letter of Intent deadline:** January 4, 2023
- **Application deadline:** March 6, 2023
- **Anticipated award date:** July 2023
- **Anticipated period of performance:** July 2023 – June 2025

Allowable Uses of Funding



- Activities must focus on expansion of TEFAP into remote, rural, Tribal, and/or low-income areas that are currently underserved
- Activities should be informed by relevant data and/or the expert advice of program stakeholders
- Funds can be used for different purposes than TEFAP admin

Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Personnel and Fringe Benefits:

Allowable

- Salaries/benefits of staff directly involved with organizing, managing, or conducting activities outlined in the proposed Round 2 project plan

Unallowable

- Salaries/benefits of staff not directly involved with organizing, managing, or conducting activities outlined in the proposed Round 2 project plan

Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Travel:

Allowable

- In-State travel expenses for those organizing, managing, or conducting project activities
- In-/Out-of state travel expenses for conferences and/or training necessary to carry out the project plan

Unallowable

- Travel to conferences and/or training with no relation to the objective of the grant initiative

Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Materials and Supplies:

Allowable

- Crates, boxes, shelving, thermometers, personal protective equipment, and other supplies necessary for distributing food to underserved populations
- Handouts, flyers, bulletin boards, banners, necessary for reaching underserved populations

Unallowable

- Food used as refreshments during a meeting, activity, or event
- Food for distribution to TEFAP participants or through TEFAP ERAs

Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Equipment:

Allowable

- Forklifts, pallet jacks, refrigerators, freezers, vehicles, IT equipment, and building and warehouse renovations necessary for reaching underserved populations

Unallowable

- Purchase of land or buildings
- Construction of new buildings

Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Contractual:

Allowable

- Contracts to identify underserved areas, or to perform other activities as outlined in the proposed project plan

Unallowable

Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Other:

Allowable

- Subgrants to TEFAP ERAs or other local organizations to carry out allowable activities as outlines in the RFA
 - Training on food distribution, cultural competency, community engagement/organization, racial equity, necessary for reaching underserved populations
 - Translation services
 - Necessary building and warehouse renovations
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Unallowable

- Purchase of land or buildings
- Construction of new buildings

Reach and Resiliency Stakeholders

- Eligible recipients of TEFAP food
- Current TEFAP partner organizations
- New and/or future TEFAP partner organizations
- Other community organizations involved in food security and/or emergency feeding
- Local and/or State governmental agencies

Stakeholder involvement – Round 2

- TEFAP State agencies may provide funds to local agencies through a sub grant process if so they choose
- Reach and Resiliency project plans must be influenced by the expert advice of program stakeholders
- Stakeholders may assist with preparing an application package provided it is ultimately submitted by the TEFAP State agency. FNS encourages State agencies to work collaboratively with program stakeholders as feasible to develop an application package.
- Project plans must detail how the State agency will work program stakeholders to achieve the objective of the grant program

How to get involved

- Determine if your TEFAP State agency will apply to the Round 2 grant
- Discuss if/how your organization can be involved with a TEFAP Reach and Resiliency – Round 2 Grant project
- A list of TEFAP State agency contacts can be found on the FNS website: www.fns.usda.gov

Important Dates



- Official applications from State agencies due :
March 6, 2023
- Estimated start date of period of performance:
July 2023 – June 2025

Questions?

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