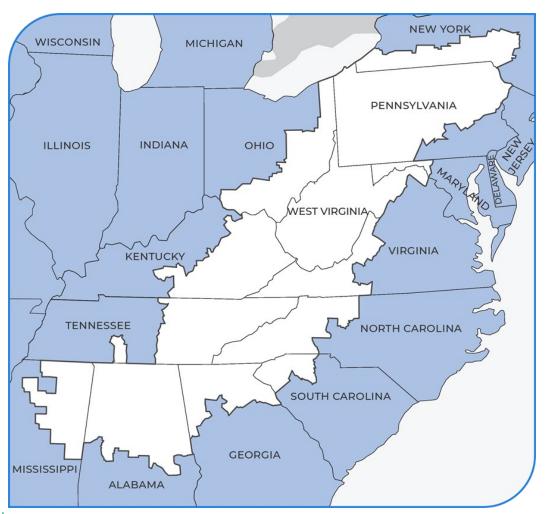


Appalachian Regional Commission



ARC VISION STATEMENT

Appalachia is a region of great opportunity that will achieve socioeconomic parity with the nation

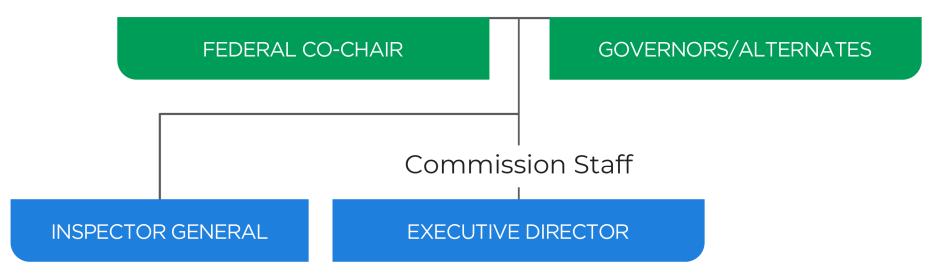
ARC MISSION STATEMENT

To innovate, partner and invest to build community capacity and strengthen economic growth in Appalachia



Federal-State Partnership

The Commission





What does ARC do?



Strengthen Businesses and Entrepreneurs



Develop a Workforce Ecosystem



Build Critical Infrastructure



Invest in Culture and Tourism



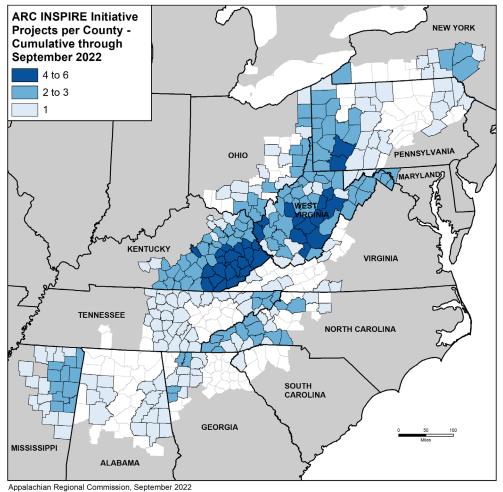
Foster Leadership and Community Capacity

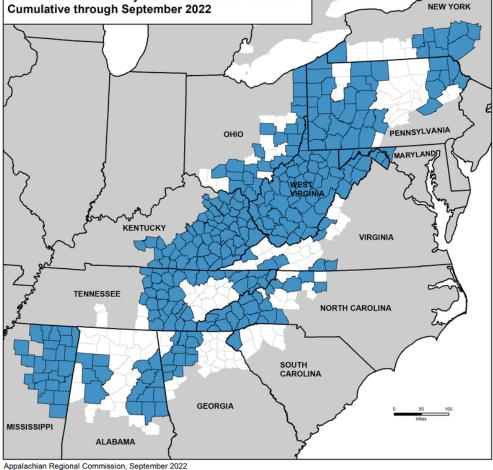






INSPIRE Counties Served





289 Counties Served by ARC's INSPIRE Investments -

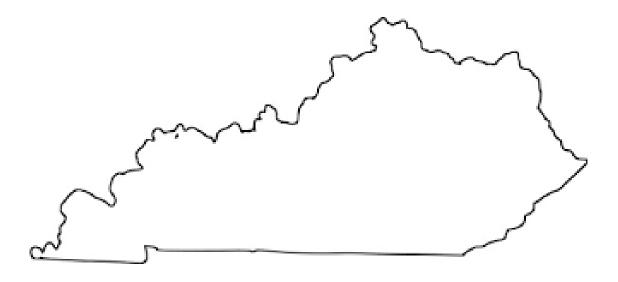






Kentucky INSPIRE Grantees (April 2021 – September 2022)

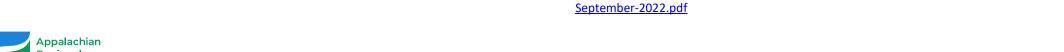
- 1. The Appalachian Artisan Center of Kentucky, Inc.
- 2. The Center for Rural Development
- 3. City of Manchester, KY
- 4. The Millard College
- 5. Pike County Health Department
- 6. Good Environment, LLC
- 7. AppalReD Legal Aid
- 8. Backroads of Appalachia, Inc
- 9. Blue Grass Community Action Partnership
- 10. Kentucky River Community Care, Inc.
- 11. Federation of Appalachian Housing Enterprises, Inc. (FAHE)
- 12. Kentucky Rural Health Information Technology Network
- 13. KCEOC Community Action Partnership, Inc.
- 14. Raven Cares, Inc.

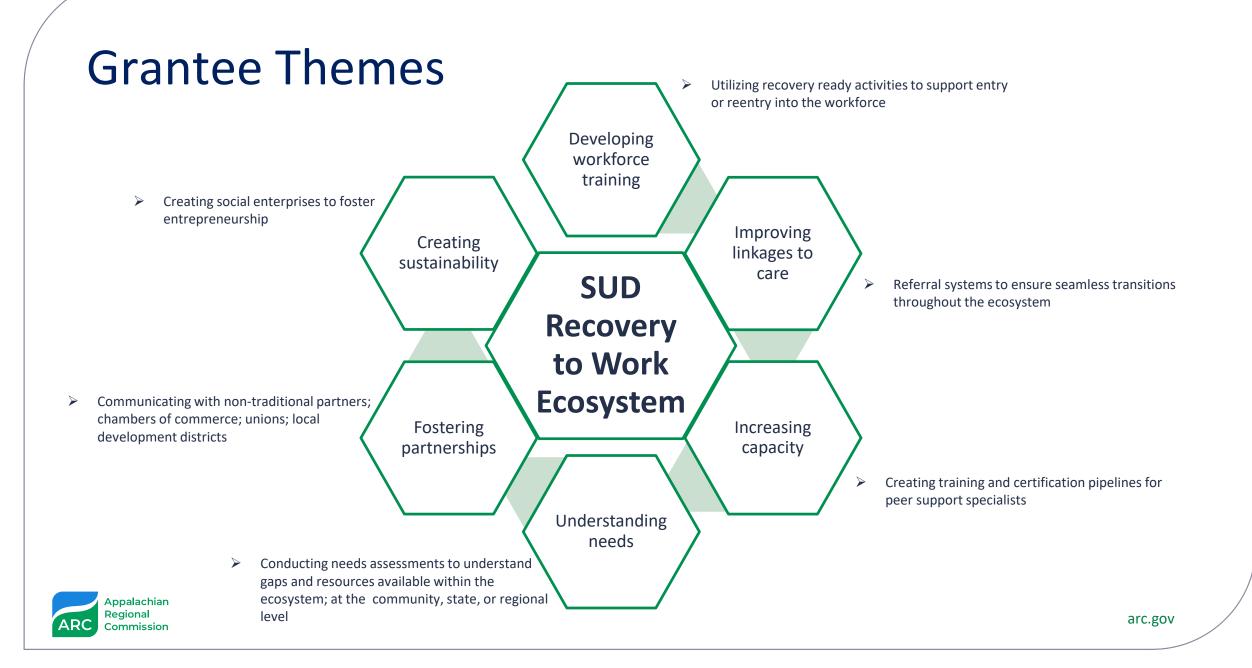


Total Awards: 14

Total INSPIRE Funding: \$5,408,594

INSPIRE Grantees to Date: https://www.arc.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/INSPIRE-Award-Summaries-As-of-





INSPIRE Round 4 Request for Proposal (RFP)

Date	Activity	
Round 4 Release	January 17, 2023	
Pre-Application Workshop (virtual)	February 15, 2023 at 10am ET	
Letters of Intent Due	February 21, 2023 by 5pm ET	
Grant Writing Workshop (virtual)	March 2, 2023 at 9am ET	
Final Application Due	March 17, 2023 by 5pm ET	
Funding Announcement	September 2023	

[✓] ARC INSPIRE Webpage: https://www.arc.gov/sud/



✓ INSPIRE How to Apply Page: https://www.arc.gov/inspire-initiative-application-information/

Key Dates

Important Dates

Request for Proposals Open: January 17, 2023

Pre-Application Workshop: February 15, 2023

Letters of Intent Due: February 21, 2023

Applications Due: March 17, 2023

Application Portal: https://my.reviewr.com/site/INSPIRE2023

Email the LOI to: SUD@arc.gov

Application Checklist



INvestments Supporting Partnerships In Recovery Ecosystems (INSPIRE) Initiative

Request for Proposal Application Checklist

Note: This checklist aims to serve as a helpful guide and "table of contents" for your application package. Please read the entire request for proposal (RFP) for more information on the detailed requirements needed for successful application to this initiative. Acronyms: IMP = Implementation Grants; PLN = Planning Grants.



 Provide a one-page executive summary of project purpose, goals and strategies, key activities, strategic alignment, collaborative partnerships, organizational capacity, and performance measures. Visit the ARC website for an Executive Summary te



✓ Statement of Need Refer to page 9 (IMP) in RFP for more details

- Describe the service area
- List ARC counties impacted by the project.
- Describe the target population, why this population was selected, and how the applicant plans to recruit this population. Note: Whether your project targets adults and/or youth, the overall program design must address the economic impact of SUD and tie back to workforce entry or reentry
- . Describe community needs as they pertain to the expansion, creation, or improvement
- Identify economic and workforce-related challenges to workforce participation in the
- · Identify any gaps in behavioral health services, training, employment, and provision of support services, including wraparound services for those in recovery, available in the service area. Explain your community's capacity to create a recovery ecosystem to respond to these gaps and connect these responses to the priorities of the INSPIRE

✓ Checklist: https://www.arc.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2023/01/FY-2023-INSPIRE-RFP-Application-Checklist.pdf



Project Description



Overview

- Organizational mission & work
- Meeting target population needs
- Partnership selection
- Meeting workforce needs
- Documentation of need
- Description of expansion or linkages



• Workplan & timeline

 Alignment with business and community



Partnerships • At least 3 partnership letters are required

- Cross sector collaborations
- Robust project team





Strategic Alignment

A couple things to keep in mind...

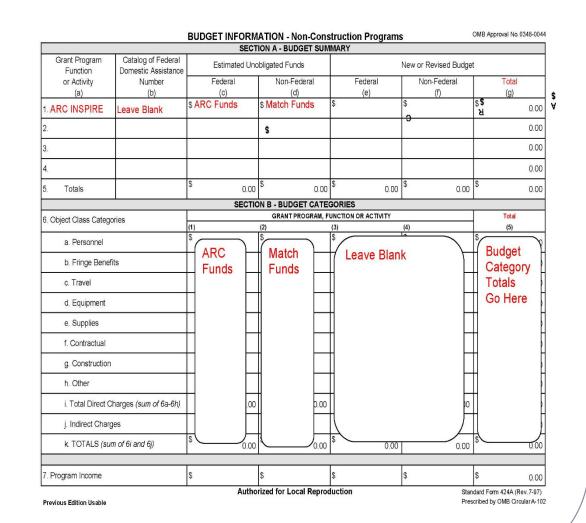
- ✓ Ensure alignment with Goal 2, Building Appalachia's Workforce Ecosystem, of ARC's Strategic Plan
 - Appalachia Envisioned: A New Era of Opportunity—ARC Strategic Plan
 Fiscal Years 2022–2026
- ✓ Ensure alignment with strategy statements of ARC state(s)
 - 13 ARC state strategy statements





Non-Construction Project Budget (SF424A - page 1)

- Project budget expenses must align with the scope of project activities.
- Consistent project costs across SF424A and budget narrative.
- Indirect charges must be included in budget at time of application.
- Standard indirect cost rate for ARC is 10%; may use unrecovered indirect costs as match if ARC approves in advance.
- Program Income (uncommon) ordinarily deducted from award; can be counted towards match with prior approval.





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Budget Narrative

The detailed budget narrative breaks down the budget categories into individual line items for expenses

- Provide written explanation of expenditures and how they align with project scope:
 - ✓ Details on Personnel & Fringe Benefits, Contractual expenses
 - ✓ Purpose of Travel
 - ✓ Itemize Supplies and Equipment
 - ✓ Itemize "Other" budget line items. No "Miscellaneous items" or "Etc."
 - ✓ Include **subtotals for each category**
- Figures should align with SF-424A. Check your math!
- See Appendix 1: Budget Narrative in RFP for required template
 - https://www.arc.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Appendix-1-Budget-Narrative.xlsx

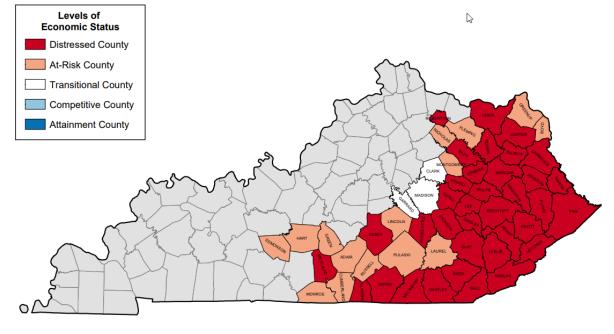


Match Requirements

ARC match rates are determined by county economic status designations -https://www.arc.gov/map/county-economic-status-in-appalachia-fy-2023/

County Designation	Max ARC	Min Match
Distressed	80%	20%
At-Risk	70%	30%
Transitional	50%	50%
Competitive	30%	70%
Attainment	0%	100%

County Economic Status in Appalachian Kentucky, Fiscal Year 2023



KY Map - https://www.arc.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/CountyEconomicStatusFY2023Kentucky-1.pdf

INSPIRE Required Application Forms

Non-Construction Projects:

- ✓ **SF424** (Application for Federal Assistance)- *Include ARC funds and all matching funds*
- ✓ SF424A (Budget)
- ✓ SF424B (Grantee Assurances)
- ✓ Appendix 1: Budget Narrative
- ✓ Appendix 4: Workplan & Timeline
- ✓ Appendix 6: Application Template (for IMP & PLN grants)
- ✓ ARC Memorandum of Understanding

More information, and required documents, can be located here: https://www.arc.gov/inspire-initiative-application-information/



