

Planning Grant FAQ

1. What is a planning grant?

Nevada Volunteers issues planning grants to help organizations that wish to start a new AmeriCorps State Program fund the planning process. Planning grants provide staff and consultants to help organizations develop the policies and procedures, and partnerships needed to have a successful AmeriCorps program.

- 2. Is my organization eligible to receive a planning grant from Nevada Volunteers? Nevada Volunteers issues planning grants to public or private nonprofit organizations, faith-based and other community organizations, institutions of higher education, government entities within states or territories (e.g., cities, counties), Indian tribes, labor organizations, partnerships or consortia and intermediaries planning to sub-grant funds.
- **3.** Are 501(c)(4) organizations eligible to apply? No. Organizations that engage in lobbying are not eligible.
- 4. What role does Nevada Volunteers play in the grant process?

Nevada volunteers reviews and selects applicants in a competitive grant process. Once an organization has received a grant, Nevada Volunteers provides oversight and support to ensure that the organization is in compliance with federal regulations.

5. Do organizations who receive planning grants from Nevada Volunteers have to provide matching funds?

Yes. Planning grants have the same matching requirements as all AmeriCorps State grants. For new programs funds must be matched at 24%.

6. Does my organization need to submit a logic model with a planning grant application?

No. Organizations that receive planning grant funding will develop a logic model as part of their planning process.

7. Where can I find additional information to help develop my grant application? On the Nevada Volunteers website,

http://nevadavolunteers.org/americorps/americorps-funding/notice-of-funding-opportunities/ there are technical assistance webinars to help you determine organizational fit and develop your application.