

**§ 2523.40 For what purposes should Federal agencies use AmeriCorps program funds?**

AmeriCorps funds should enable Federal agencies to establish programs that leverage agencies' existing resources and grant-making powers toward the goal of integrating service more fully into agencies' programs and activities. Agencies should plan to ultimately support new service initiatives out of their own budgets and appropriations.

**§ 2523.50 What types of funds are Federal agencies eligible to receive?**

Federal agencies may apply for planning and operating funds subject to the terms established by the Corporation in § 2521.20 of this chapter, except that operating grants will be awarded with the expectation that the Federal agencies will support the proposed programs from their own budgets once the Corporation grant(s) expire.

**§ 2523.60 May Federal agencies enter into partnerships or participate in consortia?**

Yes. Such partnerships or consortia may consist of other Federal agencies, Indian Tribes, subdivisions of States, community based organizations, institutions of higher education, or other non-profit organizations. Partnerships and consortia must be approved by the Corporation.

**§ 2523.70 Will the Corporation give special consideration to Federal agency applications that address certain needs?**

Yes. The Corporation will give special consideration to those applications that address the national priorities established by the Corporation. The Corporation may also give special consideration to those applications that demonstrate the agency's intent to leverage its own funds through a Corporation-approved partnership or consortium, by raising other funds from Federal or non-Federal sources, by giving grantees incentives to build service opportunities into their programs, by committing appropriate in-kind resources, or by other means.

**§ 2523.80 Are there restrictions on the use of Corporation funds?**

Yes. The supplantation and non-displacement provisions specified in part 2540 of this chapter apply to the Federal AmeriCorps programs supported with such assistance.

**§ 2523.90 Is there a matching requirement for Federal agencies?**

No. A Federal agency is not required to match funds in programs that receive support under this chapter. However, Federal agency subgrantees are required to match funds in accordance with the requirements of § 2521.30(g) and § 2522.240(b)(5) of this chapter.

**§ 2523.100 Are participants in programs operated by Federal agencies Federal employees?**

No. Participants in these programs have the same employee status as participants in other approved AmeriCorps programs, and are not considered Federal employees, except for the purposes of the Family and Medical Leave Act as specified in § 2540.220(b) of this chapter.

**§ 2523.110 Can Federal agencies submit multiple applications?**

No. The Corporation will only consider one application from a Federal agency for each AmeriCorps competition. The application may propose more than one program, however, and the Corporation may choose to fund any or all of those programs.

**§ 2523.120 Must Federal agencies consult with State Commissions?**

Yes. Federal agencies must provide a description of the manner in which the proposed AmeriCorps program(s) is coordinated with the application of the State in which the projects will be conducted. Agencies must also describe proposed efforts to coordinate AmeriCorps activities with State Commissions and other funded AmeriCorps programs within the State in order to build upon existing programs and not duplicate efforts.