



**Questions submitted via email Nov 27- Nov 30, and not previously answered.**

- 1) The RFA mentions a Consortium without a Lead Partner is made up of 3 institutions. If one of the three institutions is a recruiting partner, does it count toward the 3-member minimum?

No, a 4-year institution that is partnering with a recruiting partner counts as one legal applicant not two and would apply under one application submitted by the 4-year institution. A Consortium without a Lead Partner is defined as at least 3 legal applicants or individual institutions. If one of the applicants is a recruiting partner, it would not count toward the minimum number of applicants.

- 2) The table on page 15 of the RFA provides examples of supplemental funds noting that the rate is \$738 per fellow per year. However, on the budget spreadsheet, it looks like there is only one line for these funds. Should we total the supplemental funds for both years?

Yes, the Budget Template asks for one funding total. Please use the Calculation and Justification line, under section B. Program Infrastructure Costs to describe the calculation of the number of Fellows for each year.

- 3) Are there any expense category limitations or requirements for the Consortium Lead Partner Institutions' Administrative Supplemental Funding available for this application period?

These supplemental funds are intended to support the administrative management of the Consortium. Generally, the costs associated with managing the Consortium are staffing costs. The Budget Template provided for this funding opportunity is an overall budget, where the Lead Partner would request a total of up to \$50,000 for the two-year grant period. After selection, a more detailed budget will be requested. In general, allowable costs should be consistent with state and campus policies.

- 4) Can you take us through the guidelines on what the fellows can't work on? For example, if there is a proposal for new oil drilling locally, can they go to a local county meeting to advocate against it as climate action? What is ok or not ok in terms of advocacy?

Activities relating to advocacy are not allowed per AmeriCorps rules – 2520.65 What activities are prohibited in AmeriCorps subtitle C programs? a.2. [eCFR :: 45 CFR 2520.65 -- What activities are prohibited in AmeriCorps subtitle C programs?](#)