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Chat Room Q&A

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Chat Room Q&A for NCC

- ❖ *Cash Match is not required for VOCA Year 1, but does it make you more competitive?*
 - Cash match should not be submitted as part of the budget. However, applicants will need to address sustainability of the program beyond VOCA in other sections.

- ❖ *For Personnel Expenses, will the Crime Commission require employees to be broken out or can we submit a total personnel budget?*
 - The personnel budget should be broken out to have an individual line item for each position.

- ❖ *Do you have a template for the budget that can be used outside of AmpliFund as we put it together and then plug the items into the portal when we're ready?*
 - FG&P can provide a budget template to be used outside of AmpliFund that will be posted on the NCC grant announcement website. (ncc.nebraska.gov/grant-apps)

Are we supposed to request the full 2 year amounts? And if so, do we include a match amount for Year 2?

- You will only request funds/budget for Year 1.

- ❖ *Can a Victim Witness Director position be funded in part by more than one NCC grant ex. VOCA and STOP? Asking because VOCA funding dropped.*
 - Yes, positions can be funded by multiple grants (as eligible/applicable to the various programs).

- ❖ *In the STOP funding announcement, it says victim services' state award exempts non-profits for match. So, if I have victim services and law enforcement, do I only need to match for the law enforcement?*
 - Correct – funds awarded for victim services are exempt from match. The 25% match requirement would only apply to law enforcement.

- ❖ *Do you have a scoring rubric for grants?*
 - Grants are reviewed according to various eligibility and programmatic criteria, but not necessarily with a scoring rubric.

- ❖ *So how does non-profit status apply to county government victim witness units operating out of county attorney offices?*
 - **Non-profit status does not apply to government entities.**

- ❖ *With funds being cut this year, will priority be given to certain applications/amounts requested?*
 - **All grants will be competitively reviewed according to the criteria detailed in the funding announcement. Funding priority may be given to identified priority areas.**

- ❖ *Regarding the IRS Form 990, the instructions state, "Organizations that have federal 501c3 tax status will be considered in compliance with this requirement to the extent that the organization files IRS Form 990 or equivalent, as several sources already provide searchable online databases of such financial statements." Are we to additionally publish our financial statements on our website or is just filing it with the IRS enough if we are a 501c3 organization?*
 - **In addition to filing with the IRS, 990s must be published online (either on your agency website or another publicly searchable site).**

- ❖ *The county now has a new treasurer and new head official. How can I change this or do I need to do so in the current grant cycle?*
 - **The new contacts can be noted in this application for the upcoming grant. Contacts should also be changed for the current grant via a Project Change Request.**

- ❖ *You stated Table 3 may not need to be completed. Is Table 2 required?*
 - **Tables 1 and 2 are required.**

Chat Room Q&A for AmpliFund

- ❖ *Can two people work on different sections of the application?*
 - **Yes, multiple people can work on different sections of the application.**
- ❖ *If multiple people work on an app, do they use the same login? Please explain how multiple users can work on the same application.*
 - **Each individual should use their own login – we review how to add additional users before the end of the training. ([See webinar recording @ 54:40 mark](#))**
- ❖ *Can you type the answers on a Word document and copy and paste the answers into the sections?*
 - **Answers can be typed into Word and copy and pasted into the application.**
- ❖ *Are the login details different for the AmpliFund application for those of us who are using AmpliFund for grant management currently?*
 - **When clicking on the link to the application and clicking the 'Apply' button, it will take you to your log-in screen. Use your existing AmpliFund Username and Password to log in and begin applying.**
- ❖ *Can you still edit after "marking complete" before submitting?*
 - **To edit any section that has been Marked as Complete, you can go back and press the button to "mark it as incomplete," make your edits, and then "Mark as Complete" again.**