



Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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The following questions were submitted in advance of the pre-application question and answer (Q & A) period, as well as during the Q & A period. The answers below were provided by the Clark County Manager's Office and the Clark County Finance Department. **These answers are applicable to job training services, household assistance, and services to disproportionately impacted communities.**

These answers are based on the United States Department of Treasury's (Treasury) Interim Final Rule. Treasury's [Interim Final Rule](#) details recipients' compliance responsibilities and provides additional information on eligible and restricted uses of Fiscal Recovery Funds and reporting requirements. It is Clark County's responsibility for determining eligibility and monitoring use of awarded funds.

Treasury was previously [seeking comments](#) on all aspects of the Interim Final Rule. All comments received are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Final guidance from Treasury will be forthcoming. Recipients are required to comply with all future guidance from Treasury.

Treasury has published a FAQ document regarding the Fiscal Recovery Funds. The document will be updated periodically in response to questions received from stakeholders. The latest document can be accessed at: <https://bit.ly/3wVC4kM>.

Due to the future guidance from Treasury, answers to these FAQs could change. As applicable, Clark County will update these FAQs once future guidance is released. All updates will be posted on the Clark County website.

If you have an additional question(s) related to the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds, please email CCFiscalRecoveryFunds@ClarkCountyNV.gov.

General Pre-Application Questions:

- 1. If an organization has more than one (1) project, should they submit one (1) application for everything or multiple applications?**

An organization that has more than one (1) project may submit multiple applications to ensure that Clark County receives information about each project due to the character limits on the pre-applications.

2. Which application should I submit?

If you are providing household assistance, job training, or services to disproportionately impacted communities, you should submit the ZoomGrants pre-application. The ZoomGrants pre-application is available at: <https://bit.ly/3kE1lxv>.

If you are going to address concerns related to public health, safety, water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, you should submit the infrastructure pre-application. The infrastructure pre-application is available at: <https://bit.ly/3izOgTd>.

If you have an eligible use as defined in Treasury's [Interim Final Rule](#) but are unsure of what application to complete, please email CCFiscalRecoveryFunds@ClarkCountyNV.gov.

3. What is the response length for the open-ended questions on the pre-applications?

The open-ended questions are limited to 300 words. Be concise as possible while still providing a description of the valuable components of the program.

4. The pre-application is noted as "required." Does this mean that an organization that does not submit this pre-application, or is not invited to submit an application after review, will not be eligible for any future funds from this or related programs?

It is anticipated that there will be a roll out of applications over the recovery period. Clark County may award Fiscal Recovery Funds through December 31, 2024.

In the pre-application, please specify the estimated needs over a period of time. This will allow the County Commission to determine the priorities and uses of the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Note, if your organization is seeing an immediate need (e.g., queue of applications for food assistance) and are out of funding, please identify that in your application.

Eligibility Questions:

5. If our organization does not have a certificate of good standing from the Nevada Secretary of State or a Nevada State Business License, are there other documents that we can submit instead (e.g., 501 (c) (3) letter)?

No. Applicants who do not possess either of these documents should apply for a Nevada State Business License and note the status of the business license application in their application for Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Timeline Questions:

6. Is there any idea on when the first (1st) award will be for planning purposes?

On August 3rd, 2021, the Clark County Board of County Commissioners (County Commission) will meet to review the information collected from the pre-application process, the community surveys, and the neighborhood meetings. The information will be

reviewed to determine the priorities for the use of the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds. A second (2nd) meeting to determine the priorities is set for August 16th, 2021.

The County Commission is scheduled to adopt the recovery plan at a special meeting on August 24th, 2021.

At this time, it is unknown if any awards will be made with the adoption of the recovery plan. There could be an additional request for final applications by the end of August.

Note, if your organization is seeing an immediate need (e.g., queue of applications for food assistance) and are out of funding, please identify that in your application.

7. What is the full application timeframe?

The pre-application for household assistance, job training, and services to disproportionately impacted communities deadline is July 26, 2021. No extensions will be provided.

The pre-application for public health, safety, water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure deadline is July 28, 2021. No extensions will be provided.

Following submission of the pre-applications, Clark County will report a summary of the applications received to the County Commission. Once the recovery priorities are defined by the County Commission the County will review each submission and process them in the order they are received.

Further information, including the formal application process will be provided following the pre-application review.

8. The guidance document seems to indicate that not all pre-applications will be invited to apply for a future application. How will the pre-application be scored and reviewed, and by whom?

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The County Commission is scheduled to adopt the recovery plan at a special meeting on August 24th, 2021.

Following the determination of the priorities by the County Commission, an evaluation committee will be established to review the pre-applications based on the recovery priorities. The composition of the evaluation committee has not been established at this time.

Funding Questions:

9. At this time, is the County setting a minimum or maximum amount per award, the number of estimated awards, or total program funding?

At this time, the County has not set a minimum or maximum amount per award, the number of estimated awards, or the total program funding. It was determined to not set such thresholds in order to understand and access the needs of the community.

In addition, some smaller non-profit organizations may not have the infrastructure in place to meet the reporting requirements as outlined in the [Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds Application Instructions and Guide](#). However, there could be less restrictive funding available at a future date.

10. Are we obligated to stick to the funding amount we request in the pre-application in the final proposal?

No. Clark County recognizes the requested funding amount in the pre-application may change with the final proposal.

11. Will the funds cover programs, as well as construction of a facility?

Construction of a facility may be an eligible use under the Treasury's [Interim Final Rule](#). If you have identified construction of a facility as part of your program, please include how the facility will contribute to the recovery of the community and the estimated timeline.

Further information related to eligible uses is available in the [Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds Application Instructions and Guide](#) and in the [Compliance and Reporting Guidance: State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Manual](#) published by Treasury.

12. Can the grant partially over indirect costs to administer the grant?

Treasury's [Interim Final Rule](#) and guidance and the Uniform Guidance outline the types of costs that are allowable. Recipients may use funds for administering the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds program, including costs of consultants to supportive effective management and oversight, including consultation for ensuring compliance with legal, regulatory, and other requirements.¹

Indirect costs are general overhead costs of an organization where a portion of such costs are allocable to the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds award such as the cost of facilities or administrative functions like a director's office.²

Each category of cost should be treated consistently in like circumstances as direct or indirect, and recipients may not charge the same administrative costs to both direct and indirect cost categories, or to other programs. If a recipient has a current Negotiated

¹ Recipients also may use the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds directly for administrative costs to improve efficacy of programs that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency. 31 CFR 35.6 (b) (10).

² 2 CFR 200.414 Indirect Costs.

Indirect Costs Rate Agreement (NICRA) established with a Federal cognizant agency responsible for reviewing, negotiating, and approving cost allocation plans or indirect cost proposals, then the recipient may use its current NICRA. Alternatively, if the recipient does not have a NICRA, the recipient may elect to use the de minimis rate of 10 percent of the modified total direct costs pursuant to 2 CFR 200.414 (f).

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13. With the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds, are non-profit agencies allowed to apply for funding to purchase real property to provide the services?

Any purchase of equipment or real property with the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds must be consistent with the Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart D. Equipment and real property acquired under this program must be used for the originally authorized purpose. Consistent with 2 CFR 200.311 and 2 CFR 200.313, any equipment or real property acquired using the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds shall vest in the non-Federal entity. Any acquisition and maintenance of equipment or real property must also be in compliance with relevant laws and regulations.

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14. Will any funding be committed based on these pre-applications, or will all organizations submitting a pre-application be required to complete a full application?

Although the County Commission may allocate funding for specific programs with the approval of the recovery program, a full application will be required by all applicants receiving an award of Fiscal Recovery Funds.

15. If we are requesting funds for construction and associated programs that will be provided in the new facility, should there be separate applications for each construction and program service?

If you are requesting funds for construction and associated programs, you should submit a separate application for the facility and an application for each program. In your construction application, you should list all programs that would be supported by the construction of the facility.

Qualified Census Tract Questions:

16. Does our organization need to be located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT)?

No, your organization does not need to be located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT).

Under the guidance for the Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds, local governments have been afforded greater discretion in designated low-income areas. There are approximately 100 of these QCTs within Clark County. This additional discretion is intended to allow local governments to address systematic public health and economic challenges that hinder these communities. Treasury will presume that types of eligible programs and services are eligible uses when provided in a QCT, to families and individuals living in QCTs. Which of the following eligible uses does your program best align with?

Note, if you select one (1) of the evidence-based eligible uses, you must comply with page 26 of Treasury's Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Compliance and Reporting Guidance. More information is available at: <https://bit.ly/3hnSloN>.

Clark County is available for assistance in determining the data to support the services provide in QCTs.

For more information on QCTs, visit: <https://bit.ly/3AtUe0f>.

17. For question two (2) on the pre-application, do those eligible uses need to be in a QCT?

For the eligible uses listed on question two (2), those do not need to be provided in a QCT. For the eligible uses listed on question three (3), those services do need to be provided in a QCT.

More information related to the eligible uses is available in the [Clark County Fiscal Recovery Funds Application Instructions and Guide](#).

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Stakeholder Questions:

18. Are Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) institutions eligible to apply at this time?

The pre-application is designed for those programs that will provide household assistance and eligible services to disproportionately impacted communities.

There is a separate application for other community stakeholders to complete for potential investments in public health, safety, water, sewer, and broadband. If you would like more information about this separate application, please email CCFiscalRecoveryFunds@ClarkCountyNV.gov.