Frequently Asked Questions 2024

Question: How is this grant funded?

Answer: ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding.

https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/american-rescue-plan-act/arpa-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/

Question: I noticed that the grant guidelines have been revised from saying that customers had to be enrolled in WIOA to customers must be keyed in NCWorks.

Can you clarify what the keying expectations are if funds are used on customers as well as required documentation to collect from customers?

Answer: The steps will be very similar to the current ARPA Reentry grant. Specific intake questions and proposed services will be addressed in NCWorks online based on the selected grantee's proposed programs. Once we setup the new grant in NCWorks online, it will not take long to update keying instructions and staff privileges.

For examples of current ARPA grant guidelines in NCWorks online, go to the staff online resources and pull down the latest ARPA keying instructions.

ARPA Grants Guide 11/7/2023
Creating ARPA Reports 4/10/2024

Question: What is the Target Group for the reentry grant?

Answer: Justice-Involved Adults, 18+ years of age

Question: Are there any unallowable costs to be mindful of, such as equipment and I.T.?

Answer: Please review DWS's financial policies which can be found on the website. While they may not be specific to ARPA, they can provide some basic guidelines. There are also some ARPA FAQs online, but make sure they speak to allowable and unallowable costs. The link is provided below.

https://www.commerce.nc.gov/american-rescue-plan-act-arpa-state-fiscal-recovery-funds-grants-local-workforce-development-boards

Refer to 2 CFR 200. ARPA falls under the Uniform Guidance, and it speaks to equipment and IT.

https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-2/subtitle-A/chapter-II/part-200