

# **Local Food Purchase Assistance**

**Commodity Procurement Program** 

# Guidelines for Submitting Applications and Amending Agreements for LFPA Plus

States, territories, and federally recognized tribal governments may apply for additional funding available under LFPA Plus. A complete overview of submission requirements is available in the <u>LFPA Plus Request</u> <u>for Applications</u>.

#### **Key Points for LFPA Plus Applications:**

- Due Date: May 12, 2023
- Submit to LFPA@usda.gov with the subject line "LFPA Plus Application Submission"
- Up to \$464 million is available from funds authorized by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC).
  - States and territories: Funding available for States and territories is provided in the TEFAP Allocation Worksheet of Section 2.5 in the LFPA Plus RFA.
  - Tribal Governments: Up to \$100 million will be available for new Tribal agreements and amendments to existing agreements.
- Funding is intended to primarily cover food procurement. Food purchases must be of unprocessed or minimally processed foods, and must meet the definitions of domestic and local, as defined in Section 1.2.1 of the LFPA Plus RFA.
- States, territories, and tribal governments with existing LFPA agreements may apply for additional funding under LFPA Plus by submitting an amended Project Narrative (see further guidance on p. 2).
- Tribal governments and territories who did not participate in the first round of LFPA funding may submit a new application to participate in LFPA Plus (see further guidance on p. 4).

# **Recipients with Existing LFPA Agreements**

States, territories, and tribal governments with existing LFPA agreements may apply for additional funding under LFPA Plus by submitting an amended Project Narrative.

#### **Amended Project Narrative**

- The amended Project Narrative will be completed using the **NEW** template <u>LFPA Plus Project</u> Narrative for Amended Agreements.
- Recipients must describe how the following sections will change with additional funding available under LFPA Plus: Executive Summary, Project Beneficiaries, Work Plan, Outcome Indicators, and Budget
- Recipients may request to extend their period of performance by 1 year.

#### **Budget**

- Three budget tables must be completed, as described below:
  - Recipients may propose changes to the budget previously approved in the first round of LFPA funding. Funding previously approved in the first round was authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).
  - Recipients must indicate the funds requested under the new LFPA Plus funding. The new LFPA Plus funding is authorized by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC).
  - Recipients must provide a summary of their final, combined budget that includes funding from both ARPA and CCC.
- See next page for an example.



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### **Recipients with Existing LFPA Agreements - Example of Budget**

#### **Budget with funds authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)**

Expense Category	Federal Funds	Federal Funds	
	Original Amount	Revised Amount	
Personnel	\$15,000	\$30,000	
Fringe Benefits	\$5,000	\$10,000	
Travel			
Equipment			
Supplies			
Procurement/Contractual/Subawards	\$25,000	\$50,000	
Other (specify)			
Funds used for food procurements	\$350,000	\$250,000	
Funds used for food storage	\$50,000	\$75,000	
Funds used for food transportation	\$50,000	\$75,000	
Direct Costs Subtotal	\$495,000	\$490,000	
Indirect Costs	\$5,000	\$10,000	
Total Budget with funds authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act	\$500,000	\$500,000	

#### Additional funds authorized by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC)

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Expense Category	Federal Funds		
Funds used for food procurements	\$400,000		

#### **Combined Budget with ARPA and CCC Funds**

Expense Category	Federal Funds		
Personnel	\$30,000		
Fringe Benefits	\$10,000		
Travel			
Equipment			
Supplies			
Procurement/Contractual/Subawards	\$50,000		
Other (specify)			
Funds used for food procurements	\$250,000 (ARPA) + \$400,000 (CCC) = <b>\$650,000</b>		
Funds used for food storage	\$75,000		
Funds used for food transportation	\$75,000		
Direct Costs Subtotal	\$490,000		
Indirect Costs	\$10,000		
<b>Total Budget</b> (Funds authorized by ARPA + CCC)	\$500,000 (ARPA) + \$400,000 (CCC) = <b>\$900,000</b>		

## **Applications from New Tribal Governments and Territories**

Tribal governments and territories who did not participate in the first round of LFPA funding may submit a new application to participate in LFPA Plus.

#### **New Application Template**

- New applications must be completed using the template <u>LFPA Plus Project Narrative for New Applications</u>.
- Additionally, applicants must provide a completed <u>SF-424 and SF-424A</u>.
- Applicants may request a period of performance of up to two years.
- Applicants may refer to Section 4.2 of the LFPA Plus RFA for guidance on completing the SF-424 and the Project Narrative.

#### **Questions? USDA AMS Points of Contact:**

- USDA-AMS Regional Specialists: <a href="https://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food-to-usda/lfpacap/regional-contacts">https://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food-to-usda/lfpacap/regional-contacts</a>
- General inquiries: LFPA@usda.gov
- AMS will host monthly LFPA Workshops/Office Hours which will be a forum for additional questions on LFPA Plus applications. To receive an invitation to the monthly LFPA Workshops/Office Hours, please contact <u>LFPA@usda.gov</u>.



