



Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative Technical Assistance Grant (FY 2023-2024) Frequently Asked Questions

If you have any question not covered by this document, please submit a help desk request in NOVA or email mthuston@cccco.edu.

1. What are the IEPI Technical Assistance funds priority?

Since the purpose of this grant is to help the Board of Governors and the Chancellor's make progress towards the Vision for Success, funds should prioritize the program objectives of the Institutional Effectiveness Technical Assistance Program as specified in the RFA section *Objectives, Procedures, and Activities*.

2. How will each application be scored?

Each application will be scored based on *Need, Objectives, Procedures/Activities, Project Management/ Institutional Commitment, Budget, and Overall Feasibility of the Project* as detailed in the RFA section *Scoring Criteria*. Applicants must score an average of 75 points out of 100 possible points on the application criteria.

3. Will there be future opportunity for annual renewals of the IEPI Technical assistance Grant?

Yes. The performance period of the Technical Assistance Grant is for fiscal year 2023-24 with the opportunity of up to four (4) additional annual renewals.

4. What are expected responsibilities of the Grantee and CCCC to develop, monitor, measure and implement a framework of data analysis, policies and procedures designed to make progress on the *Vision for Success* goals and commitments?

In collaboration with the Chancellor's Office, the grantee will be responsible for initiating programming and activities that target the IEPI Technical Assistance Program objectives and support college/districts achieve goals in the *Vison for*

Success. In addition, the grantee is responsible for providing evaluation and data analysis to measure activities and work that is being done through the Technical Assistance grant to advance the Vision for Success.

5. How will the grant funding be disbursed?

The grantee will receive \$7.5M in funding for the year(12months) July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. If contract renewed, you still receive an additional \$7.5M for that following fiscal year. **Note:** The chancellor's Office has the right to adjust the grant budget based on availability.

6. As single-college district, only our college would apply for the Technical Assistant grant. If we apply and are awarded, the entire 7.5 million will be for one college?

When you submit your application, you will identify your Lead Institution applying, since you are a single college district your district will take on the role of fiscal agent solely. If awarded the \$7.5M you will manage these funds to implement your plan for system-wide technical assistance.

7. Does program management infrastructure need to be in place already for a college district to apply? Or can we design the program to implement the infrastructure to support the grant activities?

Yes, your district/college should already have the infrastructure to manage this project. An applicant should have the operational and physical capacity to implement, manage the project and achieve the performance objectives of the grant.

8. How long should the application/proposal be?

The RFA itself outlines the application instructions. There isn't a required length since you will be submitting the application into NOVA.

9. For the match, can the institution use benefits supported by district budget as part of the match?

Yes. The match requirement may be met through real, in-kind, or a combination of real and in-kind match.

10. Quarterly reporting can also be completed through a technical assistance dashboard that tracks progress and deliverables.” Does such a dashboard now exist? Is that NOVA?

Yes. Once a grantee is awarded, the college/district will utilize NOVA to submit quarterly reports.

11. What colleges have obtained the grant in the past?

Santa Clarita Community College District has served as the fiscal agent for the IEPI Technical Assistance grant from FY 2014-2015 to current FY 2022-23.