

South Carolina Commission on National and Community Service Financial Management Survey

This survey is intended to collect information about the capacity of organizations to manage federal grant funds. Information from the survey will be used to assess an organization's structure and capacity-building needs and identify any appropriate technical assistance and/or resources to strengthen operations. Responding organizations are advised to ensure that the person or persons completing this form are those responsible for, and with sufficient knowledge of, the organization's financial management functions.

Organization Name: _____

EIN: _____

DUNS Number: _____

Throughout this survey, documents are identified and copies requested. Provide copies of the most recent versions of all referenced and requested documents. Check boxes to indicate which documents are attached. If you do not provide a document, please explain why it is not being provided. If necessary, attach additional sheets in order to provide full responses to all questions.

I. Documents, Policies and Procedures

A. Public Disclosure Documents

- Internal Revenue Service Form 990 "Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax" including all applicable schedules and attachments; if Form 990 filing can be downloaded, provide the website address:

- Audited financial statements including auditor's Management Letter (single audit, or other audits if not subject to federal audit requirements).
- List of federal, state, or local government grants, cooperative agreements, contracts, and subgrants/sub-contracts awarded to the organization in the last two years including the identifying award numbers, amounts and awarding

B. Governance

- Organizational Chart identifying: (a) key staff by name and title; (b) all budget and accounting office staff; (c) any staff with responsibility to approve, record or reconcile financial records of any type; (c) identify all individuals permitted to approve payroll; (b) all staff positions listed on the grant budget submitted to CNCS; and (d) all governing boards or councils, with membership names and titles listed.

C. Organizational Policies and Procedures

The list of policies below is designed to identify some of the most critical policies for administration of a federal grant. If you are a first time recipient of federal funds, your organization may not yet have these and other appropriate policies in place. As a recipient of federal funds, you are required to have a full complement of financial, programmatic, and administrative policies, as well as internal controls in place, as applicable.

Please indicate whether the organization has written policies and procedures in the following areas.

<u>Provided</u>		<u>Item</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Table of Contents for Personnel/Employee Handbook/Manual
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Table of Contents for Financial/Internal Controls Policy Manual
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Sub-award monitoring and oversight policy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Timekeeping Guide or Policy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Travel Guide or Policy, including purchase/travel credit card use
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Procurement Guide or Policy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Standards for Use of Federal Funds Policy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Code(s) of Conduct/Ethics applicable to employment/purchasing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Document Retention Policy

II. General Information

1. What year was the organization established? _____
2. When did the organization receive its first federal grant or contract (enter year of award or “none” if this CNCS grant is first federal grant awarded)? _____.
3. How many employees work for the organization (in full-time equivalents)?

<input type="checkbox"/> Fewer than 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-49	<input type="checkbox"/> 50-99
<input type="checkbox"/> 100-249	<input type="checkbox"/> 250-500	<input type="checkbox"/> > 500
4. What was the organization’s total budget for the last completed fiscal year?

<input type="checkbox"/> \$0 - \$499,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000 - \$999,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1 M - \$4,999,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$5 M - \$9,999,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 M - \$24,999,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 M or more
5. What percentage of the total budget for the last completed fiscal year came from federal and state grants and contracts?

<input type="checkbox"/> 0 – 10%	<input type="checkbox"/> 11 – 20%	<input type="checkbox"/> 21 – 30%
<input type="checkbox"/> 31 – 40%	<input type="checkbox"/> 41 – 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> 51 - 60%
<input type="checkbox"/> 61 – 70%	<input type="checkbox"/> 71 – 80%	<input type="checkbox"/> 81% or more

III. Financial Management

6. Identify the type of accounting system (cash or accrual): _____

7. Indicate whether the Board has the following committees, and whether they are permanent or ad-hoc.

- | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Executive Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent | <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent | <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audit Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent | <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other – List Below: | | |
| _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent | <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc |
| _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent | <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc |

8. Do any paid employees serve as voting members of the Board of Directors, Tribal Council, or other governing body?

- Yes No

9. Identify key financial staff and incumbents' experience. Provide position descriptions (PD), indicating Yes (attached) or No (does not exist); if a PD does not exist explain why. If financial management services are contracted, enter "outsourced" and describe the outsourced services; provide copy of contract and the vendor qualification requirements.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Total Years Experience Performing Similar Duties</u>	<u>Position Description Attached?</u>
10a. Chief Financial Officer or equivalent _____	_____	_____
10b. Bookkeeper / Accountant or equivalent _____	_____	_____
10c. Other key financial staff positions, list below:		

10. Who is responsible for approving / accepting the annual independent audit? (Check all that apply)

- | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audit Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Board Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors | <input type="checkbox"/> Chief Executive |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chief Financial Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify): | |

11. Financial reports prepared for executive staff: Identify by frequency and type(s):

Report Type	Is Report Compared to Projections?	Frequency
_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/>

12. **Identify who approves the organization's operating budget and fundraising plan; e.g., Board of Directors. Enter "None" if no approval process. Enter "N/A" if no operating budget or fundraising plan.**

Annual Operating Budget Approved By: _____

Fundraising Plan Approved By: _____

IV. Financial Controls

13. **Identify the accounting system name and software including version:** _____

14. **Does the organization maintain a chart of accounts?**

Yes No

If yes, attach copy of chart of accounts.

15. **Does the organization perform job cost center accounting?** Yes No

(A job cost accounting system allows you to record budgets, revenues and expenses by cost centers, jobs, grants, and activities)

16. **How often do you post transactions to the accounting system ledger(s)?**

Daily Weekly Monthly Annually Other: _____

17. **Are at least two original signatures required on checks greater than dollar threshold (determined by the organization) from any bank account(s) that are used for the receipt and/or disbursement of funds, including from federal sources?**

Yes No

If yes, what is the dollar threshold? _____

18. **Does the organization use an automated payroll system?** Yes No

If yes, identify system and provider name: _____

19. **Does the organization follow a review and approval procedure when disbursing payroll?** Yes No

20. **Is Board approval required for any of the following financial transactions?**

Opening / Closing Bank Accounts	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Buying / Selling Property	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Opening Lines of Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Financial Investment / Divestment	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Assigning Credit Cards	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Other specify:	_____	

21. **Has the organization issued loans to an employee or officer of the organization or forgiven / written-off any loan or debts in the last year?** Yes No

22. Who is authorized to write-off any debt owed the organization as a bad debt?

- Accountant Chief Financial Officer CEO/Executive Director Board Committee
 Board Chair Other, specify: _____

23. How often does the organization experience cash flow deficits?

- Weekly Monthly Quarterly Annually None in last 2 years

V. Organizational Policies and Procedures

24. How are the organization's policies and procedures shared with employees? (Check all that apply)

- e-mail Memorandum Employee Handbook Management Informs
 Orientation and training Intranet Staff meeting Other: _____
 There is no existing procedure

25. When training has been provided to staff on the following topics?

<u>Subject Area</u>	<u>Within 1 year</u>	<u>Within 2</u>	<u>Within 3</u>	<u>> 3 years ago</u>	<u>Never</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial/Accounting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Grant Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel/HR Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Risk Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Cybersecurity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Fraud, Waste, Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Audit Related	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

26. What would increase the financial capacity and expertise of the organization? (Check all that apply)

- Additional Staff Computerized Accounting System Financial Training Professional Certifications
 Other, specify: _____

27. What training and technical assistance do you believe would benefit your organization and enhance its ability to administer federal grant awards? (Check all that apply)

- Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards
 CNCS (AmeriCorps, Volunteer Generation Fund, etc.) Regulations
 Programmatic performance metrics and management
 Budget development and execution
 Federal cash management
 Documenting in-kind and matching contributions
 Avoiding common audit findings
 Other:

Preparer's Comments/Explanations: *Please present any clarifications or similar remarks/information here:*

The total number of attachments is _____. *Please number attachments in sequence.*

Preparer Certification

By my signature below, I certify that the above information is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Signature of Preparer

Date

Printed Name and Title of Preparer

Telephone

Email

On the lines below, identify anyone else involved in the preparation of this survey by name and position title.

Privacy Statement -- In compliance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the following information is provided: The collection of this information is authorized by the provisions of the National and Community Service Act of 1990, by the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993, and the Serve America Act of 2009. The primary purpose of the information is to determine if appropriate systems are in place to manage federal grant funds or, if not, to identify training and technical assistance a new grantee may need to develop and implement appropriate systems. CNCS requires new grantees which have never before received CNCS funds to complete the form. Completion of this survey is required as an element of CNCS' risk assessment process. The information provided will be maintained and treated confidentially. However, appropriate federal, state, and local law enforcement entities may request and obtain this information under certain circumstances. Otherwise, the information provided will not be disclosed without express written permission.

Receipt Record:

Date Received: _____ **SC Service Commission Staff Print Name and Signature:** _____



