

## Question and Answer Discussion from Webinar on 2019 Network Visioning Funding Opportunity

**Q. If a program is planning to have an overall connected “theme” for all of its intended activities (and all planned activities include DEI), do we need to strictly adhere to the Section One and Section Two divisions in the narrative template, or can our proposal be organized as a single section, with subheadings?**

A. Yes, that's fine. Follow sub-headings, be sure you articulate what you will be doing in DEI space

**Q. The narrative template doesn't indicate that we need to list each activity's timeframe (proposed dates of work within the two year window). Is that correct?**

A. Correct. It would be great to include as description of activities, but we did not call that out in template.

**Q. Is the 25% of effort required to go to DEI/TLK before or after indirect costs?**

A. It would be 25% of the entire award or \$15k of the entire award (\$40k Fed + \$20k match = \$60k). This can translate to \$10k Fed and \$5 k match (or any other combination). It could also translate to \$15k of the Fed side or \$15 k of match...as long as there is a project addressing DEI that costs \$15k (Federal or match) in the submission.

**Q. these are one-time, non-recurring funds? there will be no additional funding in out years for this initiative?**

A. Correct, this a one-time award. Funds are non-recurring. We may be able to do this more permanently but cannot promise beyond FY 2019.

**Q. If our proposal is more than 25% diversity, say 50 or 60%, can we go beyond the 2 page limit noted in the template, provided the entire proposal stays within the maximum 5 page limit?**

A. Yes, that's fine if the proposal stays within max page limit.

**Q. can match be in-kind contributions?**

A. Yes, match must be at least 50% of year one and two; match may be in-kind contributions... same limits as always... each university has guidance

**Q. You noted a start date of Sept. 2019, but that funds link with our omnibus projects, which are on a Feb. 1- Jan 31 cycle. Will these funds end in August 2021 or on the Jan-Feb cycle (I think you had an end date, but the slide was too quick)**

A. The current omnibus runs through February of 2022. These projects will end no later than August 31, 2021 which falls within the existing omnibus.

**Q. If we stretch funds across two years will we get all \$40K at the beginning of Year 1?**

A. yes, using fy 19 funds