

## Questions and Answers Regarding the Teacher Residency Grant RFP

## November 9, 2018

| Question |   | Answer  |
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| 1.       | In-kind match funds- Can professional development services provided by a consulting agency (e.g., NCTR) serve to meet a portion of the "in kind match of mentor teacher costs or other personnel costs" as required in the RFP?   | Matching funds must come from funds provided by the applicant LEA to support the grant activities. The matching funds cannot be provided to the grant from an external agency.  |
| 2.       | We are confused regarding the amount that we can request per this grant and how this funding can be allocated to residents, mentors, faculty, etc. How much total funding can we request for the entire project? We are hoping to request \$20k per residentwhich would be paid directly to the residents in the form of stipends. We would also request additional funds (beyond the \$20k per resident) to support mentor teacher stipends, IHE faculty time, professional development costs, etc. Is that allowed? These additional activities go beyond what would traditionally be considered program administration costs (which is capped at 5% for this grant). | As stated in the RFP, funding in the amount of \$20,000 per teacher participating in the Teacher Residency Grant program is available. All program activities to support the residents must be allocated within either these grant funds or the required matching LEA funds. The applicant must decide how to allocate the available grant funding. For example, if an applicant will be serving 5 residents, the applicant may request \$100,000 in grant funding and must match at least that amount with LEA-provided funding. No additional grant funding beyond the statutory \$20,000 per participating resident will be provided by the grant. |
| 3.       | We would like to get further clarification around stipends and other costs for running the residency program. We understand that each resident will be able to receive up to \$20,000. We were wondering if other costs for running the residency program, such as faculty release, mentor stipends, etc. would be funded separately out of the 1.5 million or would they come out of the \$20,000 stipend per resident. For example, \$15,000 to resident and \$5,000 for other costs.   | As stated in the RFP, funding in the amount of \$20,000 per teacher participating in the Teacher Residency Grant program is available. All program activities to support the residents must be allocated within either these grant funds or the required matching LEA funds. The applicant must decide how to allocate the available grant funding. For example, if an applicant will be serving 5 residents, the applicant may request \$100,000 in grant funding and must match at least that amount with LEA-provided funding. No additional grant funding beyond the statutory \$20,000 per participating resident will be provided by the grant. |
| 4.       | The RFP states that "Grant funding may be used for, but is not limited to, any of the following: teacher preparation costs, stipends for mentor teachers, stipends for teacher  | As stated in the RFP, funding in the amount of \$20,000 per teacher participating in the Teacher Residency Grant program is available. All program activities to support the residents must be allocated within either these grant funds or the required matching LEA funds. The applicant  |

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|    | candidates, and mentoring and beginning teacher induction costs following initial preparation." We intend to use grant funding for all of these purposes, with some of the funds coming from matching funds. For non-matched funds, must those come out of the \$20k per Resident, or can we request additional funding for things that do not directly impact the residents (e.g. stipends for mentor teachers)? | must decide how to allocate the available grant funding. For example, if an applicant will be serving 5 residents, the applicant may request \$100,000 in grant funding and must match at least that amount with LEA-provided funding. No additional grant funding beyond the statutory \$20,000 per participating resident will be provided by the grant.   |
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| 6. | If \$15,000 of the \$20,000 is going directly to the resident, does the LEA and IHE have to provide a 100% in kind or cash match for those funds?   | The LEA must match the total amount of grant funding requested on a 1 to 1 basis, regardless of how the applicant uses the grant funding to support teacher residents. For example, if the applicant requests a total of \$100,000 in grant funding, the applicant must provide at least \$100,000 in matching funds.  |