

FY 22-23 CERT/Citizens Corps Technical Assistance Webinar

Question	Answer
If the sponsoring agency is a City EM office do we still need a Support Letter from the county EM office?	Yes, City EM offices must provide a letter of support from the County EM.
What percentage of volunteer hours can we apply towards the match requirement?	Volunteer hours can be used to match 100% of the grant. Volunteer hours are valued by the Independent Sector at \$28.54 per hour.
How do you calculate skills-based volunteer hours?	There is no standard rate on how to calculate the value of skills-based and pro bono volunteering. You can calculate the value by: The price of the time and the value of the skills-based volunteer as a regular employer will pay for it, which means the value in that case is based on their current or past salary.
What defines "Deployable". Is this when the CERT is deployed outside of the jurisdiction? Our team does not desire to leave the area.	Deployable means anytime CERT team members are working with the public.
Are we still required to do a level 2 background check?	Yes.
Should the total request include match? Meaning, we are requesting \$10,000 and our match is \$10,000 so should our milestones and budget equal \$20,000.	Yes, that is correct. You are requesting \$10,000 from Volunteer Florida and providing an additional \$10,000 in match from your organization. Your total grant request would be for \$20,000.
Is it possible to get a copy of the grant without going into Blackbaud? (Not for submission, but to prepare the information prior to inputting the application electronically)	<p>The RFP details what categories the applicants will be scored on and the criteria. The RFP can be found here.</p> <p>An application can only be found by logging into Blackbaud.</p>
Under Proposed Budget Narrative it asks for "AEL" numbers. What is an AEL number?	<p>AEL is Authorized Equipment List: https://www.fema.gov/grants/tools/authorized-equipment-list</p> <p>Each budget item must include an AEL #</p>