



## Community-Based Grants Initiative Southwest Prosperity Zone

### County-Driven Process

Each county determines how to prioritize projects. Each county may endorse up to four projects totaling up to \$2 million. No grant will exceed \$1.5 million. Golden LEAF will make no more than three awards totaling no more than \$1.5 million in a county. County managers may submit project worksheets to Golden LEAF for feedback prior to selecting projects to endorse. There is no cap on the number of project worksheets that may be submitted. Golden LEAF will schedule meetings with county managers to review project worksheets.

### Regional Projects

Contact Golden LEAF for information on what constitutes a regional project. Regional projects must meet with Golden LEAF prior to the project deadline to request designation as a regional project and are encouraged to do so as early as possible. Regional projects may submit a project worksheet to Golden LEAF for review and feedback. A regional project does not require county endorsement and will not count against a county's caps.

### Key Dates

#### **August 5, by noon (Optional)**

County Managers submit project worksheets to Golden LEAF for review and feedback. Meetings to review and provide feedback to county managers will be held on August 9 and August 14.

Regional projects may submit project worksheets directly to Golden LEAF for review and feedback.

#### **September 5, by noon**

County Managers submit the final list of endorsed projects to Golden LEAF.

Regional projects submit a form confirming their intent to apply. Regional projects must have met with Golden LEAF staff prior to this deadline to request regional designation.

#### **September 9**

Golden LEAF emails organizations endorsed by county managers and regional projects guidance on accessing the Golden LEAF application portal and links to access Open Office Hours which organizations may attend to receive additional guidance and ask questions about the application process.

#### **November 21, by noon**

Applications due to Golden LEAF via online application portal.

#### **November - January**

Golden LEAF staff reviews applications and conducts due diligence. Golden LEAF anticipates that in person site visits will be scheduled in December and early January.

#### **February 6, 2025**

Golden LEAF Board reviews applications and makes decisions regarding funding for projects.