

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

RESTORE ACT PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Questions and Answers

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For the project narrative, do you envision a few pages of continuous text that covers the questions asked?

Yes, some questions within the application require more narrative than others, so it would be helpful if you would connect the narrative with each specific question.

What is the maximum project duration for this RFP?

Although Charlotte County's RFP did not state a duration period, the US Treasury Department (administrative agency overseeing the distribution of RESTORE funds) has indicated that projects for the first round of RESTORE funds should be completed within a 3-4 year period.

What is the earliest start date?

The earliest start date would occur in Spring 2016 due to the process of drawing down funds to Charlotte County. After projects are chosen from this RFP process, they will need to be included in a Multi-year Implementation Plan (MYIP) that is subject to a 45 day public comment period and approval by the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners. After that, the MYIP is submitted to the Treasury Department for their review and approval. Once approved by the Treasury, Charlotte County then needs to submit actual application(s) for each project to be funded in order to draw down Charlotte County's allocation.

Is there a match requirement?

There is not a match "requirement", however, if you look at the Scoring Criteria on our website you will see that up to 5 points can be earned by providing match.

Are administrative costs allowable?

The Treasury Department does not impose an administrative cap on subrecipients of county awards. In the absence of a statutory cap, the general rule is that all costs charged to a Federal award must be "necessary and reasonable for performance of the Federal award and be allocable thereto" under the principles in OMB's Uniform Guidance 2 CFR 200.403(a).

Is the Scoring or Evaluation Criteria sheet available for distribution?

Yes, on the County website, under the RESTORE Act Advisory Board page there is a link for meeting agendas and materials. Under meeting materials there is a link for the scoring criteria. Here is the direct link. <http://www.charlottecountyfl.gov/boards-committees/raab/Site%20Documents/20150128-Scoring-Criteria-1-21-15.pdf>

How much is currently allocated to Charlotte County from the Gulf Coast Restoration Trust Fund?

On March 19, 2015, the Treasury Department posted Trust Fund Allocations based on the Transocean settlement. Charlotte County's allocation was listed as \$726,452.61.

Does the applicant need to be a resident of the County?

The RESTORE Act Advisory Board did not limit eligible applicants to those residing in Charlotte County. The project, however, should be serve Charlotte County. It may be helpful to look over the Scoring Criteria provided on the Charlotte County Website at <http://www.charlottecountyfl.gov/boards-committees/raab/Site%20Documents/20150128-Scoring-Criteria-1-21-15.pdf>.