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Good morning! I sent the below to Tracey to send out to the Coalition but wanted to also highlight it with you all as it seems like a possible fit for your particular agencies.

Dan, including you in hopes that you can share with additional groups I may not be connected with or who might not receive Coalition messages.

Thanks!

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Good Afternoon

We wanted to reach out to let you know that the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) recently announced a Request for Proposals (RFP) for its Investments Supporting Partnerships in Recovery Ecosystems (INSPIRE) Initiative. This grant program addresses the region's Substance Use Disorder (SUD) crisis with investments of \$10 million in the creation and expansion of a SUD recovery ecosystem that helps facilitate workforce entry and re-entry.

Awards issued through the INSPIRE Initiative will support a wide variety of projects on the post-treatment to employment continuum, including investments in healthcare networks to better meet the needs of SUD recovery professionals, recovery-focused job and workforce training programs, expanded recovery support networks, training and certification of recovery specialists, and more.

**Successful INSPIRE grant applications will** demonstrate the potential for individuals in recovery to obtain and maintain stable employment, with a focus on contributing to and expanding a strong recovery ecosystem of support services and training opportunities that lead to successful entry and re-entry into the workforce. Proposals may also include expanded community- and partnership-based approaches to establish stronger coordination among recovery and training services, as well as strategies to integrate plans with existing state and regional economic development activities.

**Please take note of the following important dates:**

- Letters of intent (LOI) for implementation grants up to \$500,000 and planning grants up to \$50,000 under INSPIRE are **due March 3, 2022.**
- Deadline for final applications is **March 24, 2022.**
- Award announcements are anticipated to be made in **early August 2022.**

For more information on this grant program and how to apply, please visit: <https://www.arc.gov/sud-how-to-apply/>

As always, Team Tillis stands ready to assist please let us know if we can assist in any way or answer any questions you might have. We look forward to working with you.

Best,  
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