



Edgecombe County Request for Invitations for the Golden LEAF Foundation – Community-Based Initiative

The Golden LEAF Foundation is making funds available to counties in the northeastern region of NC, including Edgecombe County, through its Community-Based Grantsmaking Initiative. Golden LEAF desires to fund programs and initiatives that align with its mission and priorities. Eligible applicants are **governmental entities and 501(c)(3) nonprofit tax-exempt organizations that serve the people of North Carolina**. For this stage of the initiative, **only county managers or their designee may submit a request for invitation to apply** on behalf of a county's nonprofits, economic development organizations, educational institutions, coalitions, and governmental entities.

To participate in this program, Edgecombe County is seeking projects that promote long term economic growth and development, provide a clear and feasible plan for implementation and sustainability, and directly impact Golden LEAF's identified priorities areas, which are: **agriculture, education, physical infrastructure, healthcare, and workforce development**. Furthermore, we are seeking projects that exhibit the following:

- Clearly meet identified issues/needs in the county related to economic growth
- Will do the most good for the most people
- Demonstrate a timeliness of need and an ability to put grant funds to work quickly
- Focus on action (not planning) and are sustainable
- Leverage additional funds/investment and community buy-in. A 20% local match is strongly preferred
- Have consensus support across the county

Eligible organizations that have a project that meets these standards and would like to be considered must complete the attached **Request for Invitation** and submit it by **September 30, 2013 at 5:00 PM**. This can be delivered or mailed but must be received by the deadline.

Mail

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Requests will be rated by the County Manager's review team and then submitted to the Board of Commissioners for approval on October 7, 2013 before submission to the Golden LEAF Foundation for consideration on October 15, 2013.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Eric Evans, Assistant County Manager at (252) 641-5775 or ericevans@co.edgecombe.nc.us.

13. What resources do you need to implement and sustain your project? Which do you already have or have access to, and which do you plan to obtain if your request is funded?

14. What will your activities and outputs be during this project?

15. Project Budget:

Line Item	Total Cost of Line Item	Requested from Golden LEAF	Match Contribution	Source of Match	Match in hand/ committed? Yes or No
Total:					

Certification of Chief Administrative Official

I certify that the information in this document is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that my organization is hereby expressing a willingness to be a part of this collaborative funding opportunity. My organization is willing and able to lead this project I am submitting and adhere to the reporting, documentation, and project implementation requirements should a Golden LEAF Grant be awarded.

Signature/Date of Authorized Staff: _____