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**Funding Opportunity – Western North Carolina
Senior Community Service Employment Program
Deadline for Letters of Inquiry: Friday, April 20, 2018**

Senior Service America, Inc. (SSAI) is a national nonprofit organization that assists 50+ individuals with employment opportunities. SSAI is seeking a local North Carolina organization interested in operating SSAI's signature program, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), for qualified adults 55+ in the counties of Buncombe, Henderson, Madison, and Transylvania, starting July 1, 2018.

Estimated available SCSEP funding to be awarded in one 12-month subgrant from SSAI is \$262,406 (see Page 2 for budget details and key subgrant deliverables). There will be opportunities for renewal following the period specified in this announcement. SCSEP funds are contingent upon the availability of federal funds. Interested public or nonprofit 501(c)(3) agencies must send a Letter of Inquiry by 5 pm EDT, Friday, April 20, 2018, to FOA2016@ssa-i.org. SSAI will reply to all inquiries by May 4th.

What is SCSEP?

The Senior Community Service Employment Program is a national program that provides qualified, low-income adults, 55 and older, with part-time subsidized employment, improves their well-being, and prepares them for the local job market. It is authorized by the Older Americans Act and administered by the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration. Participants work an average of 20 hours a week and are paid at the highest of the federal, state or local minimum wage. For more information, watch a seven-minute video, "**The SCSEP Story**," here: <https://youtu.be/yS64mMCoKEs>

Official regulations and policies governing SCSEP are available here: <https://doleta.gov/Seniors/>

Who is Senior Service America?

SSAI operates SCSEP exclusively through a diverse network of more than 60 partner organizations in 13 states. Our subgrantee partners currently include aging services, workforce development, community action, faith-based, and other agencies with extensive and deep connections to their communities. More information about SSAI is available here: <http://www.seniorserviceamerica.org>.

What must I include in my Letter of Inquiry?

Brief descriptions of the following about your organization, where applicable:

- Your mission and current major programs and why you are interested in this opportunity;
- Current and past employment and training programs, including SCSEP experience;
- Current and past programs serving older adults;
- Your experience in serving communities of color, immigrant populations, and/or others with barriers;
- Your website address and confirmation of tax status; and
- Contact person name, job title, phone, email address.

Questions? Contact Joshua Wadsworth, SCSEP Operations Manager, jwadsworth@ssa-i.org or 301-578-8930.

Budget Information and Key Deliverables

County	PY2018 Authorized Positions	Total Funding available to county (est.)	Funding Available for Participant Wages & Fringe Benefits (est.)	Funding available for Administrative & Other Program Costs (est.)	Estimated number of SCSEP participants to be served	Estimated placements into unsubsidized employment
Buncombe	16	\$ 135,436	\$ 117,139	\$ 18,297		
Henderson	9	\$ 76,182	\$ 65,890	\$ 10,292		
Madison	4	\$ 33,859	\$ 29,285	\$ 4,574		
Transylvania	2	\$ 16,929	\$ 14,642	\$ 2,287		
TOTAL	31	\$ 262,406*	\$ 226,956	\$ 35,450	53	11

*Partners must provide \$33,819 annually in nonfederal match which can come from in-kind, indirect, or cash. Most SSAI SCSEP subgrantees meet the nonfederal match requirement with capturing and reporting hours host agency supervisors spend supervising participants.