



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
Principals
Public Information Officers

FROM: Laura Bayne
Deputy Superintendent, Division of Strategic Engagement

DATE: January 17, 2024

RE: 21st Century Community Learning Centers Subgrant Opportunity

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) announces that the 2024–25 Request for Proposals for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) subgrant program is now available online. \$3–\$5 million in funding will be distributed on a competitive basis and the deadline to apply is **March 18, 2024**.

Eligible applicants include public school districts, community-based organizations, Indian tribes or tribal organizations, faith-based organizations, and other public or private entities. All applicants must meet the criteria of a joint applicant to be considered for funding. Applicants must propose to establish or expand activities in community learning centers that provide opportunities for academic enrichment and tutorial services; offer students a broad array of additional services, programs, and activities; and offer families of students served opportunities for literacy and related educational development.

The SCDE will offer a technical assistance webinar via [Adobe Connect](#) on **January 23, 2024, from 10:00 a.m.–12:00 pm**. Participants should enter their full names when logging in to the session. Participants will be able to log in 30 minutes prior to the start of the session to test their equipment's audio settings and to download/print handouts. While participation is not mandatory to submit an application, it is *highly recommended*.

Visit the [SCDE Grant Opportunities page](#) for updated information on grants, eligibility, application deadlines, and technical assistance. For more information about the 21st CCLC program, contact Joyce Patterson at 803-734-8291 JYPatterson@ed.sc.gov or Amy Bosch at 803-734-8114 abosch@ed.sc.gov.