



**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
School Principals  
School Food Directors/Supervisors  
Public Information Officers

**FROM:** Virgie R. Chambers  
Deputy Superintendent, District Operations, Safety, and Student Wellness

**DATE:** October 2, 2024

**RE:** National School Lunch Program Equipment Assistance Subgrant Opportunity

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) announces that the 2024 Request for Proposals for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Equipment Assistance subgrant is now available online. Up to \$168,118 in funding is available and the deadline to apply is **November 15, 2024**.

The SCDE will award equipment assistance subgrants via a competitive process to school food authorities for schools participating in the NSLP that did not receive an award in the competition earlier in 2024 that was funded under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Pub. L. 117-328). Applicants must justify how the requested equipment will help them serve healthier meals, improve food safety, and support the maintenance and/or expansion of their School Breakfast Program. The maximum subaward is \$20,000.

The SCDE will provide a technical assistance webinar for potential applicants via [Adobe Connect](#) on **October 16, 2024**, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

Visit the [SCDE Grant Opportunities page](#) for the request for proposals, eligibility, application deadlines, and technical assistance. For more information about this NSLP program, contact Heather Snelgrove at 803-734-6034, [hsnelgrove@ed.sc.gov](mailto:hsnelgrove@ed.sc.gov).