

Regional Entrepreneurship Initiative Application Questions

Each regional council that seeks to implement this subprogram (please see full guidance here) will apply to DHCD through the Centralized Application Management System (CAMS) which is utilized for all GO Virginia funding applications. Applications shall be submitted in CAMS by the established quarterly deadlines for per capita funds. Regional councils will be asked to answer the following questions:

- 1. Who is the regional coordinating entity for this initiative?
- 2. Who is the primary point of contact?
- 3. What process did the regional council utilize to identify and select their coordinating entity?
- 4. Were all entities interested in serving in a coordinating role considered and what criteria was applied to determine the most appropriate coordinating entity? The Regional Council must utilize a selection process that ensures competing organizations are encouraged to strengthen regional collaboration through this application process. Documentation of the selection process must be included in the application.
- 5. What qualifications were considered and why was this entity selected?
- 6. What experience does the coordinating entity have in entrepreneurial ecosystem development?
- 7. Will the regional coordinating entity utilize existing capacity, or create new position(s) for this effort?
- 8. How will the regional council financially sustain the coordinator's efforts beyond this GO Virginia funding?
- 9. Outline the method that the regional council will use to oversee the coordinating entity and which will actively work to develop potential projects for future funding.
- 10. Attachment: Project Metrics and Outcomes
- 11. Attachment: Project Timeline with Milestones
- 12. Attachment: Project Budget

Applications submitted to DHCD for consideration will be reviewed by DHCD's GO Virginia staff and reported to the board for consideration at the next board meeting.