



NCPRO

NC Pandemic Recovery Office

ARPA State Fiscal Recovery Funds

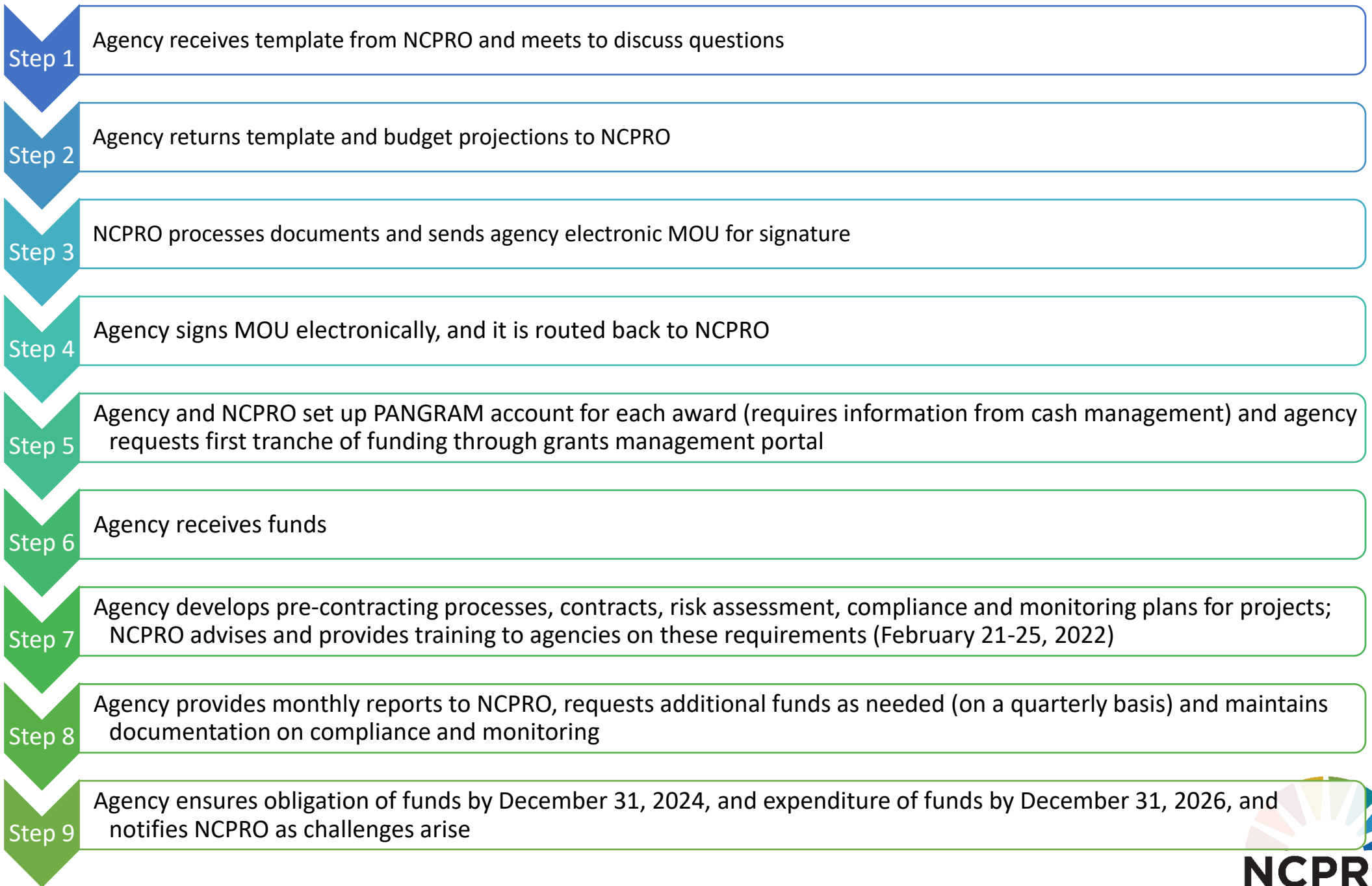
State Agency Working Group

February 3, 2022

Agenda

1. Steps in SFRF Process for State Agencies
 - Plan templates
 - MOUs
 - Financial processes
2. Equity in SFRF Implementation
3. Next Steps
 - UNC SOG training - **February 21-25, 2022**
 - PANGRAM system training to be included
 - Other questions?

Overview of SFRF Process



Please note that budget certification must be complete before step 6 commences

MOU Process

PURPOSES

- 1) NCPRO was created in 2020 to provide **oversight, coordination and technical assistance**, and to ensure proper **reporting and accounting** for all funds under Covid Recovery Legislation.
- 2) We are all at state level the **prime recipient** of these funds with full responsibility for managing the funds as required by
 - a. **ARPA/SFRF program requirements**
 - b. **Federal uniform guidance** for grant administration, procurement and cost principles
 - c. **The NCAC for subgrants to non-state entities**
- 3) The MOU is to **structure the disbursement and oversight** of SFRF funds and be a reference for applicable **compliance standards**.
- 4) Will be provided to your offices **by your NCPRO assigned staff**.
- 5) **High level**—project text will be the appropriation language.
- 6) The Budget Act directs OSBM/NCPRO to disburse funds **“upon justification”** as needed **“to implement the provisions of this Act”** which will generally mean quarterly from now to Q4 of CY 2026.
- 7) Final copy to be executed via DocuSign and entered into PANGRAM.

Equitable SFRF program implementation

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2. Examples from SFRF template review
3. Overview of interagency DEI coordination

UST Equity Standards

US Treasury guidance looks at impacted and disproportionately impacted based on the following categories:

- Households and communities - specific populations, qualified census tracts, income (tools available at NCPRO and UST)
- Small businesses - qualified census tracts, tribal lands, revenues and business expense types
- Industries - travel, tourism and hospitality or comparative impacts
- Non-profits - qualified census tracts, tribal lands, revenues and business expense types
- Public sector rules

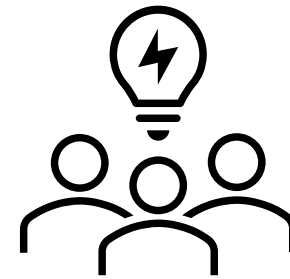
SFRF projects should consider:

- Are there particular historically underserved, marginalized or adversely affected groups that you intend to serve?
- How equal and practical is the ability for residents or businesses to become aware of the services funded?
- Are there differences in levels of access to benefits and services across groups? Are there administrative requirements that result in disparities in ability to complete applications or meet eligibility criteria?
- Are intended outcomes focused on closing gaps, reaching universal levels of services, or disaggregating progress by race, ethnicity and other equity dimensions where relevant for the project objective?

Stakeholder Outreach

NCPRO has held over 40 technical guidance and listening sessions with over 1,200 people from all 100 counties, representing:

- ✓ Education & childcare providers
- ✓ Nonprofits
- ✓ Faith communities
- ✓ Underrepresented communities
- ✓ Businesses
- ✓ Local governments
- ✓ Housing advocates



Stakeholder Outreach

The effects of the pandemic have been uneven and have highlighted inequities across all parts of North Carolina life

- **African American and Hispanic** North Carolinians have been disproportionately impacted
- **Women** have left the labor force to care for children and families
- **Food and housing** insecurity has been exacerbated
- Access to **broadband** has limited people's ability to work and learn
- People will need **re-training** to qualify for a changed job market
- **Learning loss** has affected all students, but particularly **students of color**
- **Mental health** issues are widespread
- Small businesses need **access and information** about relief programs
- **Trusted communicators** are needed to share information about programs

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State Agency Training

Save the Dates for our upcoming
training during the week of
February 21, 2022 - February 25, 2022



Overview of State Agency Training

Tentative agenda

Day 1

- Introduction & Overview of Course Agenda
- Focus on Federal Funding Sources
- Budgeting & Reporting

Day 2

- Grants/Appropriations to Local Governments and Other Entities from Federal Funding Sources: Subawards
- Subaward Samples

Day 3

- Grants/Appropriations to Local Governments and Other Entities from Federal Funding Sources: Procurement and Conflicts of Interest
- Performance Measurement & Outcomes

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SFRF – State Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)

LFRF – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)

CRF – Coronavirus Relief Funds (CARES)

ERA – Emergency Rental Assistance (CRRSA and ARPA)

HAF – Homeowners’ Assistance Funds (ARPA)

GEER – Governor’s Emergency Education Relief (CARES and CRRSA)

EDAT – Economic Development Administration Tourism (ARPA)

CPF – Capital Projects Fund (ARPA)

