Funding Year (FY) 2020 Category Two Budget Tool

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HOUSEKEEPING – Q&A

- There will be a live Q&A session focused on today’s topics.

- Tips for submitting questions:
  - Use the “Questions” box in your webinar control panel anytime during the presentation.
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  - Write in full sentences.
  - Ask one question at a time.
  - Ask questions related to webinar content.
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AGENDA

1. Office Hours Overview and Purpose
2. Overview of Training Materials
3. FY2020 Category Two Budget Tool Demo
4. Q&A
• Assist program participants in formulating pertinent questions.

• Provide targeted program information.

• Help program participants.
OFFICE HOUR WEBINARS

• Participants should review the assigned training materials in advance of the webinar and come prepared to ask questions during the Q&A.
• USAC team members will provide a high-level overview of the materials.
• Questions related to the topic will be given priority.
Overview of Training Materials
SL News Briefs

- December 13, 2019 SL News Brief:
  - "Category Two Budgets for FY2020"

- February 28, 2020 Special Edition SL News Brief:
  - "FY2020 Category Two Budget Tool Released"
FY2020 Category Two Budget Tool

• FY2020 Category Two Budget Tool

Instructions

The FY2020 C2 budget tool is available to assist applicants in determining their available Category Two (C2) budgets for FY2020. You can find a link to this new tool under Category Two Budget Tools. The FY2020 C2 tool, like the prior tool for previous funding years, provides information about the expected C2 budget for an entity and should be used for informational purposes only.

- The C2 budget numbers displayed in the new tool are based on student counts from the current entity profile in the Rate Productivity Center (RRC), which may have been updated by applicants before the administrative window closed. Keep in mind that these student counts may be adjusted during PA review.
- In addition, like the prior tool, the new tool does not capture all data points that may be relevant for determining an applicant’s actual available C2 budget for FY2020 (such as pending FCC Form 390 requests, pending appeals, or pending funding requests).
- Finally, the tool is updated each night to reflect the current committed amounts for all entities. You will need to download the tool each day to get the most recent commitment data. Please be sure to check the date of the download you are working with to ensure you are viewing the most recent data. This data code is found to the right of the title “FY2020 C2 Calculations” at the top of the new tool.

If you wish to view information about your C2 budget for FY2015 through FY2019, you may use the prior C2 Budget Tool. Please note, however, that the prior tool does not include information about your C2 budget for FY2020. You will have to use the new tool to obtain information about your FY2020 C2 budget.

Using the FY2020 C2 Budget Tool

To start, enter or paste one or more entity numbers in the Entity Number column. You can enter or paste up to 100 entity numbers at a time.

NOTE: To paste a column of entity numbers from another document, you must first remove any formatting. There are two options.
FY2020 Category Two Budget Tool Demo
We will now demonstrate how to access and use the FY2020 Category Two Budget Tool.
HOUSEKEEPING – Q&A

• Use the “Questions” box in your webinar control panel to submit your question in writing.
  • Click the box with the arrow above the questions box to expand it.
  • Ask questions related to webinar content.
Q&A SESSION

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