2023 / 2024

- **Mission: ThreeStar serves to promote economic and community prosperity through collaboration to positively impact every Tennessean.**

ThreeStar Program Summary

Since 1980, ThreeStar has served as the state's signature program to boost community collaboration, encourage communication between local stakeholders, provide guidance to communities by having strategic requirements for performance, accountability, and efficiency, and assist in goal setting and resource alignment.

- ThreeStar Certification Program runs from January 2023 – December 2024
- ThreeStar Grant (competitive grant / scored on outcome measures) will be contracted for 9-12 months if awarded. The grant application must address one of the priority goals determined during the county's ThreeStar asset-based forum and is only available for ThreeStar Certified counties. One application per county.

** *We will be moving from the former portal to a new online system and will have more details about that later.*

- o To continue as a ThreeStar Certified County – Requirements include:
    - o Three priority goals, SMART goals, one <u>must</u> be Education or Workforce Development related, submitted no later than 4 p.m., June 12, 2023. Priority goals and action steps must be developed with completion dates of no later than Sept. 30, 2024. These priority goals will also require a status update every 12 weeks after submission. (due dates will be sent by calendar invite after SMART goals have been received and certification verified)
    - o Action Step Timeline template completed for each of the three county-identified priority goals, submitted by 4 p.m., June 12, 2023.
    - o Grant application (if applicable) – submitted by 4 p.m., CST, June 20, 2023.
    - o Annual Fiscal Confirmation letter (Due July 31, 2023, and July 31, 2024)
    - o JECDB (or sufficiently similar designated organization) minutes – due dates as listed below.

2023 and 2024 JECDB minutes each quarter - rolling dates: Submit quarterly Joint Economic and Community Development Board (JECDB) minutes – approved minutes by the end of the following quarter.

- Q1 meeting (Jan, Feb, March) – due by the end of Q2 June
- Q2 meeting (April, May, June) – due by the end of Q3 September
- Q3 meeting (July, August, Sept) – due by the end of Q4 December
- Q4 meeting (Oct, Nov, Dec) – due by the end of Q1 March

Asset Inventory 2023 – Asset Inventory updates, local community stakeholder contact info submitted (on emailed form in original format), and the current JECDB Interlocal agreement all need to be submitted via email to jody.sliger@tn.gov. If you have questions, please call me.

Feb - May: ThreeStar asset-based planning forums: Counties will participate in TNECD-facilitated local stakeholder team meetings to develop and submit three S.M.A.R.T. (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-Bound) community goals. Meetings will be held virtually or in-person. Contact Jody Sliger to schedule your meeting.

June 12, 2023: S.M.A.R.T.* ThreeStar goals due to being submitted to the online portal. All questions must be answered in step one of the ThreeStar online portal.
Goals are to include action steps in the timeline template and responsible community leader roles to be submitted in the ThreeStar online portal by June 12, 2023. Required… one of the S.M.A.R.T. county goals identified must align with the **Tennessee ThreeStar I.P.A**. (Identified Priority Area) – **IPA** for 2023-2024 is **Workforce Development**.

June 20, 2023: Grants will be available of up to $50,000 to assist the county in reaching the completion of one of the submitted goals. The application template will be available in May. The application will be due by 4 p.m., on June 20, 2023.

July 31, 2023 and July 31, 2024: Fiscal Confirmation letter – to be reviewed and acknowledged by County Commission at a full county commission meeting and uploaded to the ThreeStar online portal by July 31, 2023 and July 31, 2024. Template letter can be found in the program materials list. Be sure to use the one at this link instead of any previous versions.

* S.M.A.R.T. (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-Bound)