South Carolina Hub

Region 4 RTI Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers (TCTAC)

University of South Carolina

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5 Quick TCTAC Facts

1) The TCTACs are funded by the federal agencies through the **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law** and **Inflation Reduction Act**.

2) We connect 6 major stakeholders to available federal grants:
   1) **State and local governments**
   2) Public K-12 school districts
   3) Colleges and universities (including technical and trade colleges)
   4) 501c3 community-based organizations
   5) Federal and state-recognized tribal entities
   6) Small, for-profit businesses delivering community-based products and services

3) From pre-award to post-award, we **build capacity and deliver FREE technical assistance to navigate confusing, detailed federal grants**.

4) The South Carolina Hub is informed by its **Community Advisory Board**, which includes municipal professionals.

5) We focus on grants that **replace, update, and improve infrastructure** to create a safer, resilient, healthier, and more prosperous South Carolina.

The TCTAC Network

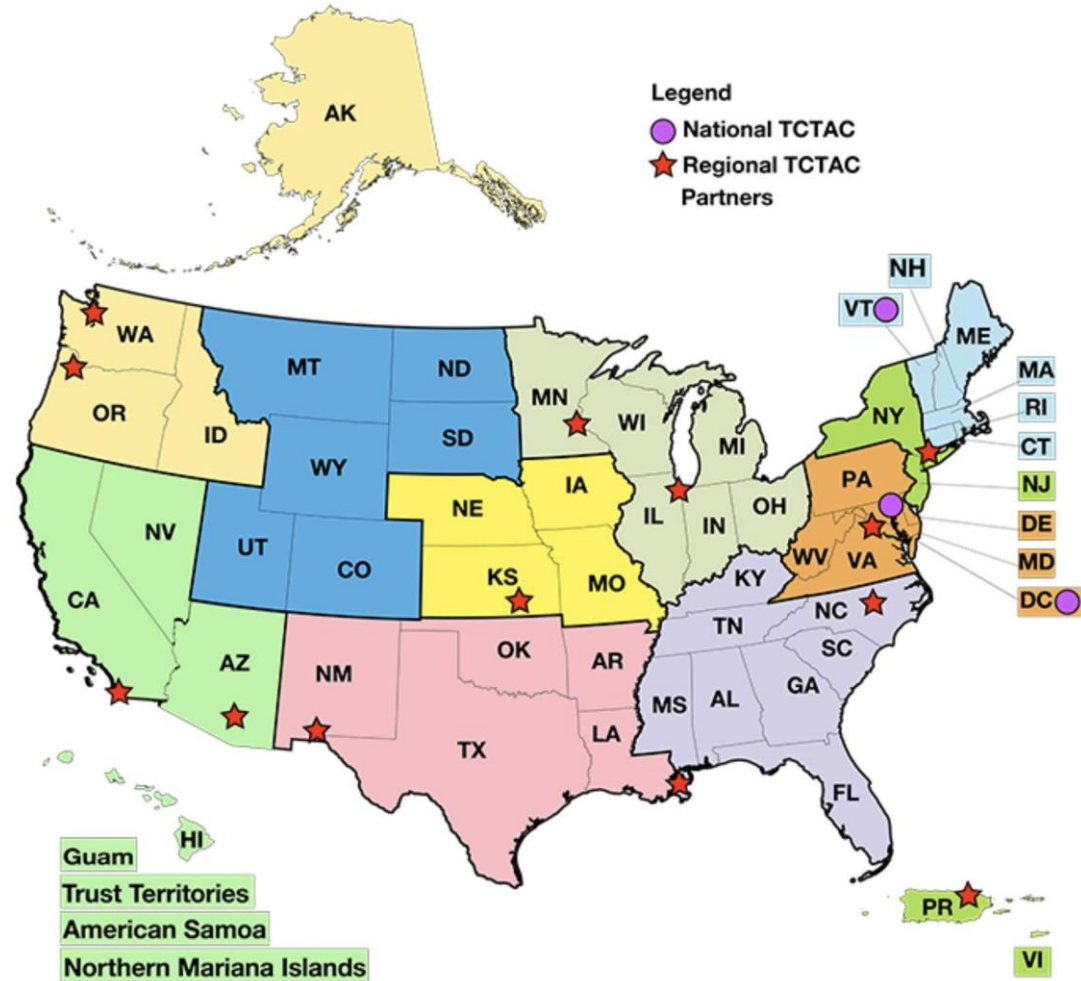**Federal Government:**
- **Thriving Communities Network**

National:
- **International City/County Management Association**
- Institute for Sustainable Communities
- National Indian Health Board

Regional:
- University of Connecticut
- West Harlem Environmental Action, Inc.
- Inter-American University of Puerto Rico-Metro Campus
- National Wildlife Federation
- Deep South Center for Environmental Justice
- **Research Triangle Institute**
- Blacks in Green
- University of Minnesota
- New Mexico State University
- Wichita State University
- University of Arizona
- San Diego State University
- Willamette Partnership
- University of Washington

South Carolina Hub Services

Capacity Building

- Introduction to TCTACs
- Introduction to grant tools and resources
- Are you ready? assessment
- Collegiate low to no cost employees
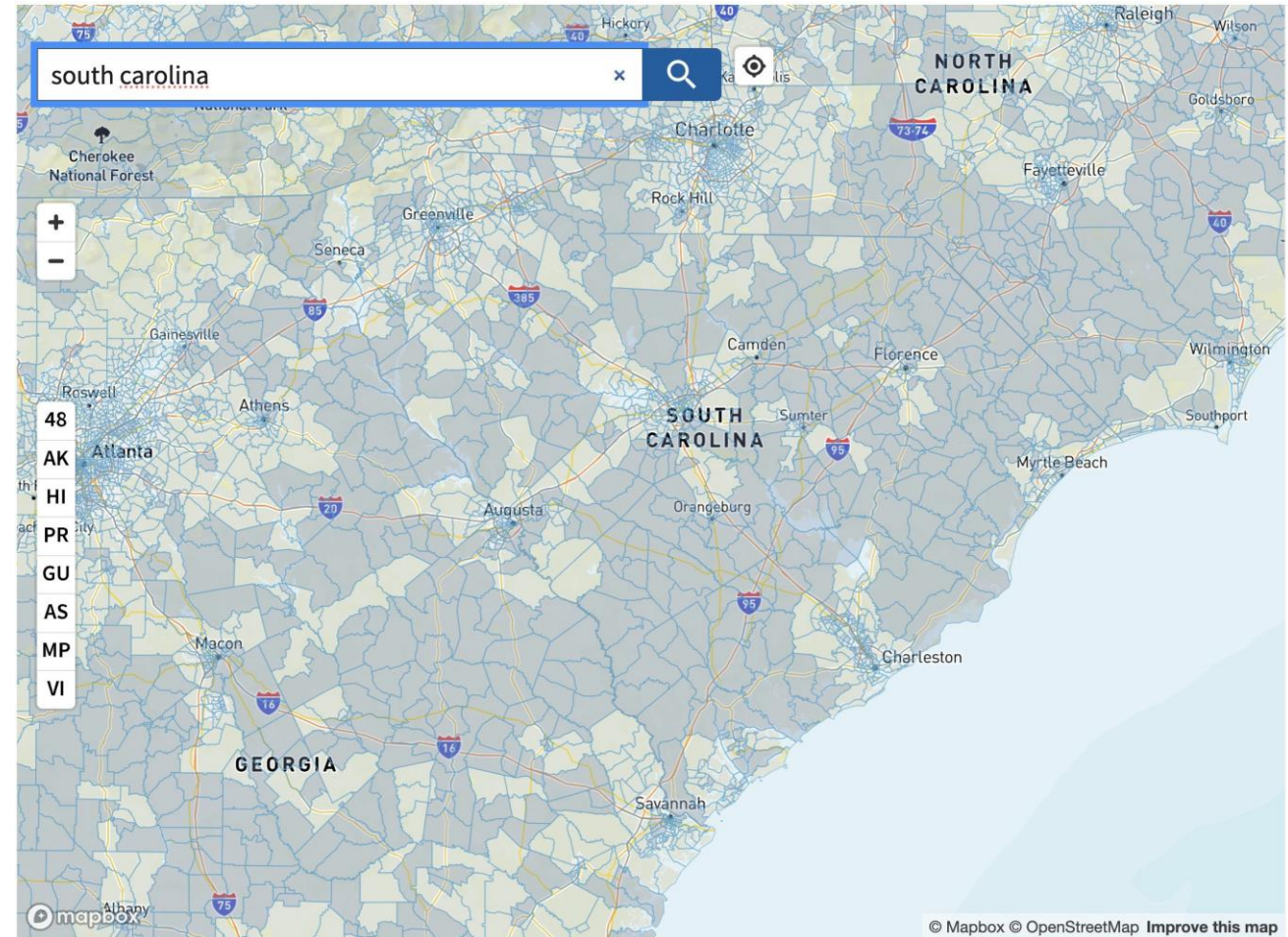- Community listening
- IRA Rebates

Community Matchmaking

- Connections to peer infrastructure practitioners
- Local government-engaged researchers
- Community data collection best practices

Federal Application Guidance

- Pre-Award to Post-Award technical assistance
- Issue & Grant identification
- Access to past awarded proposals
- Referrals to technical assistance providers across the grant lifespan
- Celebratory moment upon grant submittal

Our Community Commitment

If you can…

1. Schedule regular meetings or email us when you have questions. **We recommend meeting with us once per month**.

2. **Complete recommended tasks between meetings**, which we estimate can take between 1-5 hours total.

3. Share openly your wins and hardships

4. Develop your program and project descriptions with data and details

5. Share your experiences within your community

Then we will…

1. Guide you to tools, resources, and referrals through the grant lifecycle.

2. Prepare you for grant submittal.

3. Adjust our relationship to work optimally for you

4. Identify the most accurate grant matches for your program and project ideas

5. Be able to connect you with members of our ever-expanding network of clients

How can the TCTAC help?

If you are looking to prepare for grants and identify all grants you are eligible for:

State Funding Readiness Project

If you have a specific infrastructure project in mind:

Community Infrastructure Center and 10,000 Communities Initiative

IRA Rebates for Local Government

The Inflation Reduction Act changes the tax code so that non-taxable entities investing in energy projects can get a "direct payment" equal to the tax credit value, instead of needing a tax liability to offset. This applies to projects completed between 2023 and 2032.

Direct pay, also called "elective pay," allows states, cities, tribes, and other tax-exempt groups, like municipal utilities and school districts, to receive cash payments from the IRS for clean energy tax credits.

For example, the **Investment Tax Credit (ITC)** gives renewable energy developers a credit against project costs, which non-taxable entities can now get as cash through direct pay.

Investment Tax Credits

- Energy Investment Tax Credit (Section 48)
- Advanced Energy Project Credit (48C)
- Clean Electricity Investment Tax Credit (48E) – New
- Commercial Clean Vehicle Credit (45W) – New
- Alternative Fuel Refueling Property Credit (30C)

Production Tax Credits

- Renewable Electricity Production Tax Credit (Section 45)
- Carbon Capture and Sequestration Tax Credit (45Q)
- Nuclear Power Production Tax Credit (45U) – New
- Clean Hydrogen Production Tax Credit (45V) – New
- Advanced Manufacturing Production Tax Credit (45X) – New
- Clean Electricity Production Tax Credit (45Y) – New
- Clean Fuel Production Credit (45Z) – New

Thank you for connecting with us!

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