

**Statewide Planning Grant Convening - Agenda**  
**March 13 – 14, 2024**  
**Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, VA**  
**Lobby Level: Rosslyn Room**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13: STATE GRANTEE FOCUS**

- 1:00 PM – 1:30 PM **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS; OPENING REMARKS**
- 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM **OVERVIEW OF STATE PLANNING GRANT RESULTS**  
CREC WILL REVIEW FINDINGS FROM SURVEY AND INTERVIEWS
- 2:00 PM – 2:45 PM **PRESENTATIONS OF SELECT PLANNING GRANT ACTIVITIES**  
PRESENTATIONS FROM SUSIE SHANNON (SC) AND ESTHER NIELSEN (WA) FOLLOWED BY A 15 MIN. Q&A
- 2:45 PM – 3:00 PM **BREAK**
- 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM **REGIONAL BREAKOUTS**  
GATHER WITH GRANTEEES IN YOUR REGION TO LEARN ABOUT THEIR PROJECTS
- 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM **PRESENTATION ON STATE AND EDD COLLABORATION**  
STEFAN HERRON (MO) AND KIEL KINKADE (NC) WILL PRESENT ON STATE-EDD COLLABORATION

**THURSDAY, MARCH 14: FOCUS ON STATE-EDD COLLABORATION**

- 8:30 AM – 9:15 AM **BREAKFAST (PROVIDED)**
- 9:15 AM – 10:00 AM **REVIEW OF WEDNESDAY'S DISCUSSION AND ADDITIONAL INTRODUCTIONS**  
CREC WILL GUIDE CONVERSATION ON THE PREVIOUS DAY'S DISCUSSIONS
- 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM **EDA COMMENTS**  
CRAIG BUERSTATTE, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR REGIONAL AFFAIRS, WILL OFFER COMMENTS FROM EDA AND ANSWER GRANTEE QUESTIONS
- 10:15 AM – 10:45 AM **BREAK**
- 10:45 AM – NOON **DISCUSSION WITH GRANTEEES AND EDDs ABOUT COLLABORATION**  
TERRAH ANDERSON (UT) AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM UT EDDs NATHAN WIBERG AND LACEE MEYER WILL HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF STATE AND LOCAL COLLABORATION
- NOON – 1:00 PM **LUNCH (PROVIDED)**
- 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM **STATES AND EDDs BREAKOUT**  
STATES AND EDDs WILL BREAK INTO GROUPS AND DISCUSS PROJECT EXPERIENCES
- 2:30 PM – 2:45 PM **BREAK**
- 2:45 PM – 3:30 PM **PRESENTATION OF SPG DATABASE AND Q&A**  
CREC WILL PRESENT THE SPG DATABASE AND WEBSITE, FOLLOWED BY A Q&A
- 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM **PARTING THOUGHTS**