

## **First Catch Center (FCC) Frequent Asked Questions**

### **What is a FCC?**

A FCC is a mobile trailer outfitted with fishing supplies and other materials to help elevate fishing in underserved and underrepresented communities.

### **What is the purpose of a FCC?**

The purpose of a FCC is to promote fishing and conservation efforts by recruiting anglers where they are in their communities in a fun and safe environment.

### **How does a state agency get one?**

Any state agency that sees the need to incorporate a FCC is invited to apply for a FCC through an easy [online application](#). Once accepted, RBFF will reach out to the state agency for further steps.

### **What is the cost of a FCC?**

The cost of obtaining a FCC for a state agency is free. RBFF supplies each agency with up to \$25,000 to help with finding and outfitting each trailer to their unique needs.

### **Are state agencies responsible for outfitting the trailer?**

Yes and no. RBFF will provide each state agency initially with up to \$25,000 for finding and outfitting each new trailer. RBFF can help with limited funds to help replenish equipment in the FCC's second year. In the long-term, it is the state agency's responsibility to source funding and or donations to maintain the FCC.

### **How many events are required to participate in the FCC program?**

State agencies are asked to host a minimum of eight programs incorporating the FCC annually. However, state agencies may host more than eight events.

### **Are there other requirements to have a FCC?**

In addition to the 8 events, state agency commitment requirements include, but not limited to the following:

- Work with the RBFF to promote and market FCC events.
- Provide local conservation education and information at events.
- Provide an annual summary of FCC events and accomplishments.

See the [program agreement](#) for more details.

### **Is there an application deadline to apply for a FCC?**

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. However, due to funding and interest, a wait list for FCCs may be required.

**How does a state agency get a physical trailer?**

After a state agency has been approved for a FCC, state agencies will be required to look for a local trailer supplier. In some cases, RBFF can help direct state agencies to trailer suppliers that we have worked with in the past.

**What logos are on the trailer?**

After a trailer is sourced and built, RBFF will help state agencies with getting their trailer wrapped in an eye-catching FCC design incorporating the Take Me Fishing, First Catch Center and individual state logos.

Logos can also be modified to include partnerships with local organizations or trailer sponsors.

**Is there a budget for each trailer?**

The budget for each trailer and trailer supplies is a maximum of \$25,000.