

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES FOR THE 17% FILM AND TELEVISION PRODUCTION INCENTIVE

Expenditures are considered “qualified expenses” only to the extent that the costs are clearly and demonstrably incurred in Tennessee in the pre-production, production or postproduction phases of a qualified production.

Incurred in the state means payments made for goods or services used in the state in connection with a qualified production and purchased from a local Tennessee vendor or paid to a Tennessee resident.

- All qualified spend on TN services, equipment and personnel
- Wages, salaries, fees, per diem and fringe benefits of TN cast and crew (All above the line personnel, with either single or multiple job functions, will have a salary and fee cap of \$250,000 for each function performed within a production).
- Tennessee residents MUST meet Tennessee resident criteria (must have a Tennessee Driver's License or State issued ID).
- Housing, and travel of out-of-state cast and crew
- Commercial airfare purchased through a TN based travel agency for travel to and from TN and within TN
- All TN spend associated with the production including art direction, wardrobe, make-up, hair, location fees, rental of facilities and equipment, scoring, special effects and all other customary post production costs.

NON-ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES

- Wages, salaries, per diems, fees and fringe benefits of out-of-state cast and crew members
- Costs associated with advertising, marketing, distribution, financing, insurance, and completion bonds
- Internet purchases
- Cell phone reimbursements
- Payments made to the Federal Government. This would include permits and postage.
- Expenditures made to Section 501(c), non-profit organizations (including Goodwill, Salvation Army, churches, museums, schools, etc.)

Please note – the information found above applies ONLY to the 17% Film Incentive. The Department of Revenue should be contacted to determine what expenses may qualify for their program.