



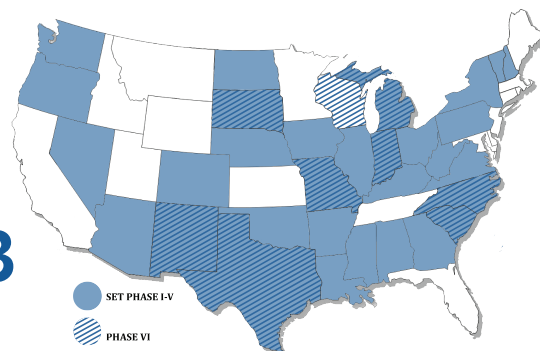
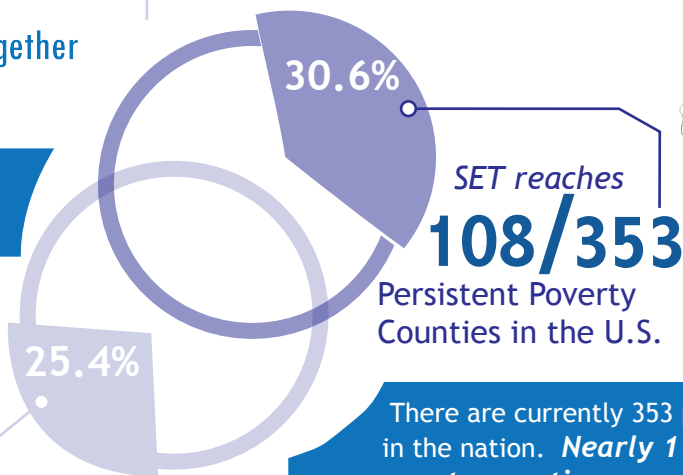
Persistently poor counties are counties that have had 20% or more of their populations living in poverty over the past 30 years.

As delineated by the USDA Economic Research Service

Stronger Economies Together

Of the 425 counties involved with SET,

108
are persistent poverty counties.



What role did SET play in helping the region move forward?

“Enormous!”

The SET process facilitated the region coming together around achievable, universally-accepted goals.”

“SET continues to play a role by bringing regions together to share achievements and challenges so that we can learn from other areas around the country who are facing similar problems.”

- SET Participant

\$588, 358, 633

The amount SET Regions have already leveraged.

\$163

For every \$1 invested in SET programming, regions are leveraging \$163 in support of implementation.



45 out of **84** Regions are newly formed to participate in SET.

In the past three years SET has created a **192%** increase in number of partners participating in the program.

