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In the Fall of 2014, the Smoky Mountain Math Teachers' Circle (*SM²TC*) began bringing together math teachers from the 7 westernmost counties of North Carolina. Thanks to a sizable foundation grant, we now have our sights on spreading the MTC gospel east and forming the North Carolina Network of Math Teachers' Circles. This talk will discuss how we sought funding and the steps we are taking to make this Network a reality. (Received August 26, 2015)