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Grants.gov FY2015 Releases

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Grants.gov FY2015 Highlights

- Grants.gov Recent Releases
  - Release 14.0
  - Release 14.1
  - Release 15.0 Workspace
- Reminder of Upcoming User Impacts
- Q&A

RELEASE 14.0
RELEASE DATE – FEBRUARY 14, 2015

Release 14.0 Summary

- Download Application Zip: Added ability to download copy of processed application (Zip file) made available to the agency
  - Organization AORs and Individual Applicants can download their submissions
  - EBiz POC (and AOR with MPIN) can download all submissions for their organization
  - Copy of the processed applications (Zip files) are retained for 180 days after submission to Grants.gov
  - New Applicant Web Service created allowing applicants to download zip files – GetApplicationZip

- Existing Applicant Web Services enhanced to return information on submissions made from a previous certificate if provided to Grants.gov
  - Certificate request form is modified to collect prior certificate information
  - Affected web services

GetApplicationInfo	GetApplicationList
GetApplicationStatus	GetApplicationInfoAsThirdParty
GetApplicationListAsThirdParty	GetApplicationZip

- Enhanced Apply for Grants – Download Application Package navigates to View Grant Opportunity page

- Clarified View Grant Opportunity – Full Announcement tab renamed to "Related Documents"

- Enhanced registration Username validation to allow alphanumeric and following special characters: question mark "?", period ".", hyphen "-", underscore "_" and at sign "@"

Release 14.0 Summary (Cont.)

- Upgraded to UTF-8 to support special characters in free-form text fields for Adobe Form fields in PDF submissions, Grants.gov website pages, S2S Web Services and submission XML

- Upgraded UI frameworks which enhanced pagination, Tree structure, Mover box buttons

- Modernized hardware to minimize future downtime releases

- Enhanced ability to proactively maintain the system by adding monitoring tools which immediately alert operations of any system issues or failures

- Implemented various Section 508 enhancements such as renaming links, column headers, etc. to clarify

- Implemented various security enhancements to maintain system ATO

RELEASE 14.1
RELEASE DATE – APRIL 18, 2015

Release 14.1 Summary

- Updated menu structure for Grants Learning Center – "Learn Grants" tab to provide general grants-related information and a gateway to additional grants resources
- Changed SAM interface to use new UTF-8 files
- New Applicant S2S method created to allow Applicants to retrieve Competition Title of an application package
- Rejection message clarified for submissions to packages with open date in the future to let the user know the package is not yet open
- Enhanced Applicant reports to return data for submissions rejected early during Grants.gov processing
- Updated Search Grants page to consistently refer to the start date of an opportunity synopsis as the "Posted Date"
- Standardized format for submission timestamps in email notifications and user interface, examples:
  - Apr 28, 2014 02:25:55 PM EDT
  - Dec 20, 2014 12:35:63 AM EST

LEARN GRANTS Tab

RELEASE 15.0 WORKSPACE
RELEASE DATE – OCTOBER 17, 2015

Release 15.0 Summary

- Workspace – new capability to apply via unstitched PDF forms for Single Project packages

  For more information about Grants.gov Workspace, please visit:
  http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/workspace-overview.html

- Online User Guide – new context-sensitive online user guide

- Staging Environment – new environment for user acceptance testing (UAT)

- Updated Applicant Training Videos

  http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/applicant-tools-and-tips.html

Release 15.0 Workspace Compatible Forms (Single Project)

- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) **(V2.0)**
- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) (V2.1)
- Application for Federal Domestic Assistance-Short Organizational **(V1.0)**
- Application for Federal Domestic Assistance-Short Organizational (V1.1)
- Assurances for Construction Programs (SF-424D) (V1.1)
- Assurances for Non-Construction Programs (SF-424B) (V1.1)
- Attachments (V1.0)
- Attachments (V1.1)
- Budget Information for Construction Programs (SF-424C) **(V1.0)**
- Budget Information for Construction Programs (SF-424C) (V2.0)
- Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs (SF-424A) (V1.0)
- Budget Narrative Attachment Form (V1.0)
- Budget Narrative Attachment Form (V1.1)
- CD511 Form (V1.1)
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL) (V1.1)
- EPA KEY CONTACTS FORM (V1.1)
- Faith Based EEO Survey (V1.2)
- Grants.gov Lobbying Form (V1.1)
- HHS Checklist Form PHS-5161 **(V1.1)**
- Key Contacts (V1.0)
- NASA – PI and AOR (V1.0)
- NSF Cover Page **(V1.3)**
- NSF Cover Page (V1.6)
- NSF Deviation Authorization (V1.1)
- NSF FastLane System Registration (V1.3)
- NSF Suggested Reviewers (V1.1)
- Other Attachments Form (V1.0)
- Other Attachments Form (V1.1)

- PHS 398 Cover Page Supplement (V2.0)
- PHS 398 Cumulative Inclusion Enrollment Report (V1.0)
- PHS 398 Modular Budget (V1.2)
- PHS 398 Research Plan (V2.0)
- Planned Enrollment Report (V1.0)
- Project Abstract Summary (V1.1)
- Project Narrative Attachment Form (V1.0)
- Project Narrative Attachment Form (V1.1)
- Project/Performance Site Location(s) **(V1.2)**
- Project/Performance Site Location(s) **(V1.4)**
- Project/Performance Site Location(s) (V2.0)
- R & R Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form **(V1.2)** **
- R & R Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form (V1.3) **
- R & R Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form 5 YR 30 ATT **(V1.2)** **
- R & R Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form 5 YR 30 ATT (V1.3) **
- Research & Related Budget **(V1.1)**
- Research & Related Budget (V1.3)
- Research & Related Budget 10YR (V1.3)
- Research & Related Personal Data (V1.2)
- Research & Related SeniorKey Person Profile (V1.1)
- Research And Related Other Project Information **(V1.2)**
- Research And Related Other Project Information (V1.3)
- Research And Related Senior/Key Person Profile (V1.1)
- Research And Related Senior/Key Person Profile (Expanded) **(V1.2)**
- Research And Related Senior/Key Person Profile (Expanded) (V2.0)
- RR FedNonFed Budget (V1.1)
- SBIR/STTR Information (V1.1)
- SF424 (R & R) **(V1.2)**
- SF424 (R & R) (V2.0)
- SF424 Mandatory Form (V1.2)

Versions in RED are Inactive (13 out of 59 forms are Inactive)
** Forms with Sub-forms

Release Notes

- For more detail about the changes in the recent Grants.gov releases, please review the release notes available on Grant.gov:

  http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/outreach/releases.html

UPCOMING USER IMPACTS

Reminder of Upcoming Changes

AFFECTED USERS	CHANGE DESCRIPTION
Effective Date: January 1, 2016 *(Note: No waivers permitted)*	
Applicant S2S	**Port 446 Disablement** • Port 446 will no longer be available in any environment • Port 443 will continue to only support: • SHA-2 Certificates • TLS v1.1 and TLS v1.2
Applicant S2S	**S2S Versions** • S2S V0 and V1 end points are being discontinued. • S2S V2 will be the only end point supported.

Reminder of Upcoming Changes

AFFECTED USERS	CHANGE DESCRIPTION
Effective Date: April 4, 2016	
Applicants, Applicant S2S	**Grants.gov URL Redirect Support** • Grants.gov will no longer provide URL redirects for outdated Grants.gov pages. • The old Training (AT07) URLs will no longer be rerouted to the new URLs. • For more information, please visit the Grants.gov Notices page. http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/outreach/grants-gov-notices.html

- Please check the Grants.gov URLs in your systems, websites, and documentation to ensure they are up-to-date.
- The following link provide a list of old Grants.gov links that are currently supported by URL redirects and the new location of the related information. The URL redirects will no longer be supported as of April 4, 2016.

    http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/outreach/grants-gov-notices/url-redirect-support.html

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS