Maryland Governor’s Grants Training Conference 2018
Grants.gov Updates

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Registration
Registration Overview

- Organizations need these before using Grants.gov to apply for federal grants:
  - Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number
  - System for Award Management (SAM) registration

- **Grants.gov Account**: You only need one. Uses unique email, username & password.

- **Profile(s)**: Can have multiple within one Grants.gov account. Corresponds to applicant organization you represent (i.e., an applicant), individual applicant, or a federal agency (i.e., a grantor).
Registration: Before Grants.gov
Dun & Bradstreet (DNB) and the System for Award Management (SAM)

• Register with DNB at http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform
• Requires TIN from IRS and organization information
• You will be issued a DUNS Number
• ~1 – 2 business days

• Use DUNS to register with SAM at www.SAM.gov
• Establish E-Business Point of Contact (EBiz POC): Individual who oversees all activities for organization within Grants.gov and approves the AOR
• Establish Marketing Partner Identification Number (MPIN)
• ~7-10 business days after completely registering, including submitting notarized letter to SAM
Organization data, EBiz POC information, and MPIN are transferred from SAM to Grants.gov

People within the organization are able to register with Grants.gov and then add a profile to associate with organization


NOTE: SAM registration must be renewed annually
Registration: Grants.gov Account

Accounts enable subscription management

1. SEARCH
   - Grant Opportunities
   - Enter Keyword

2. REGISTER
   - Registering with Grants.gov
   - One account to manage all your profiles, applications, and subscriptions.
   - Applicants
     1. Complete the required form fields.
     2. Confirm your email address.
     3. Add an organization applicant profile or individual applicant profile after registering.
   - Grantors
     1. Complete the required form fields.
     2. Confirm your email address.
     3. Ask your agency point of contact to associate your email address with the agency.

3. Account Details:
   - Email Address
   - Phone Number

4. Contact Information:
   - First Name
   - Middle Initial
   - Last Name
   - Email Address
   - Phone Number

5. Communications:
   - Subscribe:
     - ORANTS.GOV ALERTS
     - ORANTS.GOV NEWSLETTER

6. Get Registered Now
Registration: Add Profile, Get Roles
Profile associates you with organization. EBiz POC assigns roles to your profile.
Each organization has one EBiz POC

EBiz POCs assigned in SAM.gov

EBiz POC assigns roles: AOR or Workspace Manager

Users with Standard AOR role can submit applications

One organization can have many users with AOR role

Users with Workspace Manager role can create workspaces
Applying with Workspace
What Is Grants.gov Workspace?

Workspace enhances Grants.gov application functionality by providing a shared, online environment to collaboratively complete and submit grant applications

• Multiple users concurrently complete application forms
• Reuse/Copy existing Workspace forms
• Upfront validation allows applicants to correct application errors prior to submission, which minimizes rejection rate
• Seamless integration between online web forms & offline PDF forms
• Collaborate with Users External to Your Organization
• Changes by grantor to the Opportunity Package are immediately reflected in Workspace
Getting Started with Workspace

Grants.gov Workspace also allows applicants and organizations to tailor their application workflow. Here are three approaches that applicants can take when completing a Workspace application:

1. **Basic**
   - Best for organizations with 1-2 registered Grants.gov users
   - Application forms are downloaded and emailed to collaborators before being uploaded back to the workspace
   - [LEARN MORE >](#)

2. **Intermediate**
   - Best for organizations with 3-5 registered Grants.gov users
   - Applicant teams are typically comprised of an AOR who submits, as well as a Workspace Owner who oversees form completion
   - [LEARN MORE >](#)

3. **Advanced**
   - Best for organizations with external Grants.gov users, such as consultants
   - Workspace Owner manages form access
   - Workspace Owner adds subforms
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**Using Custom Roles in Workspace**

Organizations are also able to create custom roles and assign these roles to the users affiliated with their organization.

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For more information, visit: [https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants(workspace-overview.html](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants(workspace-overview.html)
Learn more about Grants.gov

To learn more about Grants.gov, attend Breakout Session I “Grants.gov: New Applicant Deep Dive” @ 10:45 am – 12:00 pm
Release Highlights from FY 2018

• Enhanced subscription management features, including one-click subscribe and an improved saved search
• Streamlined workspace creation and form reuse features
• Enhanced password reset process for updated security
• Organizations can now create custom roles for their users
• Attachments can now be viewed alongside forms within the View Application tab
• The Grants.gov Discussion Forum was launched
• The Related Submissions feature allows applicants to associate revised or resubmitted applications

For detailed information, Release Notes are available at: https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support/releases.html
Grants.gov Mobile App – October 2018

Search on the Go
Download the Grants.gov Mobile App to quickly search for and subscribe to funding opportunities.

Download on the App Store  GET IT ON Google Play
Grants.gov Mobile App Update – October 2018

• Mobile app launched in April 2018 for Android and Apple phones
• New features available October 2018
• Installations: ~71,000 (as of October 2018)
  – Android: ~47,000
  – Apple: ~24,000
• Learn more about the mobile app:
Grants.gov Mobile App Features

• The Grants.gov Mobile App allows users to search, view, and share opportunities. Features include:
  – Quick Search
    • Locate posted opportunities by keyword, CFDA, Agency
    • Easily share opportunities
  – Add event reminders for package Closing Dates to your phone’s calendar
  – Track submission status by entering your Grants.gov Tracking Number
  – Quick access to Grants.gov’s Community Blog, Twitter and YouTube training videos

• Login with your Grants.gov credentials to access additional features:
  – My Opportunities
    • View opportunities & corresponding subscriptions
    • Add new opportunity subscriptions
  – My Submissions
    • View latest submissions & submission details
  – Notification Center
    • Notifications sent to mobile phone
    • View latest notifications
Grants.gov Transformation

“The Grants.gov Transformation project will transform and modernize the Grants.gov system – setting the next generation of Grants.gov with evolved technologies and standards.”
What will Transformation focus on?

- Developing a **shared service** to reduce duplicate functionality.
- **Transforming** and modernizing the system.
- Building a **modular, open platform** to enable rapid and cost-effective future expansion.
- **Simplifying** and improving the grant application and reporting process.
- Ensuring the **security and privacy** of applicant information.
- Migrating Grants.gov to a **cloud hosting** environment.
- Meeting **new functional and compliance requirements**.
- Improve **coordination** among grant making agencies.
- Make the application and reporting process **more consistent** for people and organizations seeking Federal awards.
Grants.gov Transformation Goals

- **Simplify Application Process:** Minimize the amount of time required for an applicant to apply for a grant by simplifying the process, reducing data entry, and increasing access to grant opportunities.

- **Improve Transparency:** Improve support for discretionary, continuation, and mandatory grants by providing enhanced Opportunity Planning capabilities and providing applicants with improved visibility into the award status after submitting an application.

- **Improve the Quality of Applications:** Improve the data validation for grant applications, thereby reducing submission errors and improving the quality of applications received by grantors.

- **Reduce the burden on applicants** by providing a single reporting portal for uploading post-award reports.

- **Connect Applicants to Relevant Opportunities:** Improve the ability for Grants.gov to connect applicants to grant opportunities for which they are qualified for and have interest.
Connect with Grants.gov

Applicant Support Center available 24/7 (closed on Federal holidays)

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