

Governor's Grants Office Publishes 2013 Annual Report

Report Details How Federal Funds Flow into Maryland

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May 13, 2013 (Annapolis)...The Maryland Governor's Grants Office has issued its 2013 Annual Report of Federal funds that flow into Maryland. In keeping with the office's green practices the report is presented in its entirety online at www.grants.maryland.gov/.

"I am pleased to present the 2013 Governor's Grants Office Annual Report of funds coming to Maryland. These grants, when combined with the choices we make to invest in a stronger and better future, mean more job creation, more opportunity, and a stronger, growing middle class for Maryland," said Governor Martin O'Malley. In FY2013, 473 federal grants brought approximately \$9.1 billion to Maryland's State agencies, which in turn were invested in strengthening our communities. Over the past year, 71% of the grants we received contributed to making progress on the strategic policy goals we have identified, and through the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, five of our State agencies secured 17 federal grants that will bring in \$63 million in FY2013."

"The majority of federal grant funds that return to Maryland first touch state government before being passed along to local governments and non-profits. This report provides a detailed description of how each grant is spent. We also include data about how federal grants flow to each Maryland county, along with some foundation information, making this an important tool for anyone doing research on available grant funds," said Governor's Grant Office Director Eric Brenner.

Besides issuing an Annual Report, the Maryland Governor's Grants Office offers numerous training webinars and workshops throughout the State around the subjects of finding, winning and managing grants and preparing for successful audits. The Annual Report compares the state's 15 new federal grant audit findings to those of Maryland's four neighboring states; Maryland had by far fewer audit findings. The GGO is conducting a broader review of all states to see how our efforts to reduce federal audit findings compare to the rest of the country.

Constituents can scan www.grants.maryland.gov to view current State grant opportunities and to sign up to receive grants notices by email as well as newsletters and invitations to various workshops, most of which are free of charge. Marylanders also can view numerous recordings of previous training webinars and presentations on a variety of grants related subjects – everything from grant seeking and grant writing tips, to advice on managing a grant and preparing for an audit.

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