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Grants Information Sharing Website:

Grants information and grant job aids posted on this website: Click here.

Grants Related Article/Links:

Do you know what the most popular features in Grants.gov Workplace are? Click here to see them.

There will be some

Grants Updates

Grants Workgroup Updates

➢ The following update has been made to the Grants Information Sharing website:

• Newsletter section: the December newsletter was added to the site. Click here to access the site.

• Training Opportunities section: The Period of Performance workshop PowerPoint was added to the site (see Quarterly Workshop). Click here to access the site.

PC079 Form (Template)

➢ Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-4-113 (b) requires all State Departments that receive federal financial assistance to report any official notice related to noncompliance (received from the Federal Awarding Agency or designated Cognizant Agency) to the Comptroller of the Treasury and Finance & Administration.

You can find instructions (TCA Section 4-4-113 Guidelines) on how to submit the PC079 Form/Template on the Grants Information Sharing website>Grant Job Aids. Click here to access the website.

Grant Reporting Efficiency and Agreements Transparency Act (GREAT) ACT

The Great Act (Grant Reporting Efficiency and Agreements Transparency Act) was reintroduced and passed the House. It is currently awaiting action in the Senate.

Click here to monitor progress updates.

SAM.gov Registration

GAO published "State and Local Governments' Fiscal Outlook". Click here to see it.

A summary of the comments and FAC's responses of 2019 Form SF-SAC is available on FAC's website. Click here to see them.

The Federal Government has made some progress since the President's Management Agenda (PMS) launched in March, 2018. Click here to read one year of the progress report.

The president released the budget for fiscal year 2020. Click here to see it.

Important Dates:

June 6 and 17, 2019 – Year End Training

June 30, 2019 – Fiscal Year End

Next issue:

The next issue of our Newsletter will be in June 2019.

To apply for federal assistance or to do business with the Federal government, registration with The System for Award Management (SAM) is required. On February 2, 2019, SAM implemented a new process that allows registrants to submit common federal government-wide certifications and representations for financial assistance. For more information related to this requirement, see Uniform Guidance section 200.208.

Non-federal entities creating new SAM registrations and existing non-federal entities completing their annual SAM registration renewals will be required to review and certify their financial assistance Certifications and Representations before their registration can be activated. Click here to access the Non-Federal User Guide that was published on February 1, 2019. See section 4.3.2 (Entering Representation and Certifications).

Single Audit and Risk Management Announcement

> The Office of Government-wide Policy (OGP) within the General Services Administration (GSA) is soliciting ideas for a Single Audit and Risk Management solution that stores and integrates audit results, findings, and corrective actions from Single Audits and other audits. The goal is to maximize the value of grant funding (Cross-Agency Priority Goal 8) and to reduce the grant recipient reporting burden (M-18-24). Any updates to be made in the future will be posted through the fbo.gov website. Click here to read this announcement and other related information.

Single Audit Findings Analysis

Fiscal year 2018 Single Audit was completed and published on the State Comptroller's website. The Grants workgroup analyzed single audit findings for 3 years. The most common noncompliance issues related to the single audit findings were allowable costs/cost principles, eligibility, subrecipient monitoring, and reporting.

> The Grants Workgroup has identified the following primary causes related to noncompliance:

- Lack of training

- Inadequate internal controls

- Insufficient subrecipient monitoring

- Inadequate review process/procedures

- Lack of supporting documentation

- Lack of written policies/procedures

> The Grants Workgroup suggests implementing the following steps

when developing a corrective action plan:

1) Identify the root cause related to the audit finding

2) List the individuals who will be accountable for the results of the corrective action

3) Create solutions that address the root cause

4) Set deadlines

5) Monitor the progress of the corrective action plan

➤ Below are the links to the Single Audit Reports:

- 2018 Single Audit Report, click here.

- Prior year Single Audit Reports, click here.

Training Opportunities

Grants Workshop – Single Audit Findings Analysis

A Grants Workshop-Single Audit Findings Analysis will be held on May 9, 2019. This Workshop will provide actual examples and an opportunity for attendees to discuss any issues that have been identified and present questions related to Single Audit Findings.

The course can be found through ELM in Edison via the following: Navigator>ELM>Self Service>Learning>Find Learning >Type in "GWSA2019". Please contact a member of the workgroup if you have difficulty registering.

The Workshop is scheduled for the following times and location:

- Thursday, May 16, 2019: 8:30-9:30 AM.

- Thursday, May 16, 2019: 10:00-11:00 AM.

- Location - Conference Room N, TN Tower

Basic Grant Training

The courses can be found through ELM in Edison via the following: Navigator>ELM>Self Service>Learning>Find Learning >type in "GWBT2019". Please contact a member of the workgroup if you have difficulty registering.

The training is scheduled for the following times and location:

- Tuesday, June 11, 2019: 8:30 to 10:30 AM and 12:00 to 2:00 PM – Entering Grants "GWEG_6.11.2019_8:30-10:30AM and GWEG_6.11.2019_12:00-2:00PM". Location-Conference Room C.

A few recorded sessions are available on the Grants Information

Sharing Website: Training Opportunities>Grants Processing Training:

- Basic 2 Elements of Grant, click here to play the recording

- Basic 3 Analysis Types, click here to play the recording

Year-end Grants Training

 The training is scheduled for the following times and location:

- Thursday, June 6, 2019: 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

- Monday, June 17, 2019: 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

- Location – Multi-Media Room, TN Tower

Materials will be available on the Grants Information Sharing website by May 31st. The link to this site is below:

➢ Grants Information Sharing>Grants Accounting>Year End Grants Accounting

Registration for the classes is available through Edison via the following: Navigator>>ELM>>Self Service>>Learning>>Find Learning>>type in"GROC2019".