

## Navigating the Grant Process Tips for Grant Seekers

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## Step 1: Figure Out If You Will Apply

#### **Key Questions:**

- >Are you eligible?
- **≻Is there enough time?**
- >How much work is involved?
- >Would your proposal be competitive?



# Step 2: Write a Strong Proposal

#### Rules to live by:

- >FOLLOW DIRECTIONS
- >Submit questions early
- "They're really not asking the same question twice"
- **≻Pay attention to points**
- > Make each paragraph count
- Write like you're explaining it at a cocktail party
- Have someone proof read



## Step 3: Submit it on Time

#### Make it as easy on yourself as possible:

- >Create a proposal timeline
- **≻Who must review/approve?**
- Check vacation schedules
- > Request support letters early
- >Cut and paste is a blessing and a curse
- ➤ Do you know where your DUNS and EIN numbers are?





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