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## INTRODUCING THE NEW FACE OF GRANTS.GOV

This summer will bring an exciting new look for Grants.gov, along with new features and enhanced functionality. Redesigned with input from users like you, our new site will be easier to use than ever before – which means more efficient searching and applying for your organization. We’re confident you’ll enjoy the changes that await you. Stay tuned to Grants.gov for sneak peeks at the new look!

## CITRIX TIPS AND TRICKS

For non-Windows users, Grants.gov offers Citrix-server access to allow downloading and completion of PureEdge forms. If you find that you’re having trouble navigating this environment, please visit [www.grants.gov/MacSupport](http://www.grants.gov/MacSupport) for Citrix tips and workarounds. Thanks to Dave Schroeder at University of Wisconsin – Madison for contributing to these improved instructions.

## SPRING AHEAD DURING PEAK SEASON

Don’t wait until the last minute to complete and submit your grant application; it’ll save you considerable time and stress. Typically, submitting your grant application package through Grants.gov is an easy process, but some users underestimate the time it takes to register, complete and submit their application – especially when the pressure is on.

Prepare and submit your application well before the deadline to avoid any potential technical difficulties as you navigate the system – and be mindful that your Internet connection may lead to longer than normal uploads of application packages – especially for those with large attachments.

Get started early and save time!

## GET STARTED WITH GRANTS.GOV WEBCAST

The “Get Started with Grants.gov” Webcast was designed to highlight the registration process for Grants.gov. If you are still not sure how to get started – how to obtain a DUNS number, register your organization with CCR, register yourself and get authorized as an AOR – then our online tutorial will cover the easy three-step registration process and help you get going with Grants.gov.

This Webcast is available online in the Grants.gov Webcast archive. Visit [www.grants.gov/SpreadWordWebcast](http://www.grants.gov/SpreadWordWebcast) now and get started!

## GRANTS SUCCESS IN THE NATION’S CAPITAL

Learn how the District of Columbia Mayor’s Office of Partnership and Grants Development (OPGD) successfully automated and streamlined its process with

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## GRANTS SUCCESS (continued)

Grants.gov at the NGMA 27th Annual Conference on April 27th in Washington, DC. Here, you'll learn about this and other Grants.gov success stories. You can read the full success story [here](#).

Learn more about this event at [www.ngma-grants.org/training.htm](http://www.ngma-grants.org/training.htm)

## ADDITIONAL ENHANCEMENTS FOR AGENCIES

Grants.gov delivered important new functionality to the website on April 9, 2006. Three enhancements in particular will improve agency-applicant interaction. First, agencies will be able to create, modify and save synopses for a future posting date in the system. This has the benefit of eliminating synopses from appearing on any of the search functions while being worked on and reviewed by agency staff members and will reduce the number of modifications after posting. Second, Grants.gov now permits two agencies or sub-agencies to use the same Funding Opportunity Number. Finally, Grants.gov has developed several "behind-the-scenes" technical enhancements to ensure that all agencies can experience quicker processing of applications. Please read more online about these and other system enhancements at [www.grants.gov/BuildReleases](http://www.grants.gov/BuildReleases).

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Connect with Grants.gov at the following upcoming events:

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| 4/24 – 4/25 | Society of Research Administrators Midwest Section, Detroit, MI             |
| 4/26        | National Grants Management Association, Washington, DC                      |
| 5/11        | White House Faith-Based and Community Initiative Conference, Cincinnati, OH |
| 5/16 – 5/17 | Office of United States Senator Ken Salazar Workshop, Various Locations, CO |
| 6/24 – 6/27 | Council on Undergraduate Research National Conference, Greencastle, IN      |

## WORD ON THE STREET

"We are delighted to be part of a standard process that offers a unified common Federal face to our applicant and grant recipient communities. It enables a higher degree of visibility for our programs across potential applicant communities."

- Diana King, Computer Specialist/Project Leader  
Administration of Children and Family  
U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services

## GRANTS.GOV IN THE NEWS

Visit [www.grants.gov/News](http://www.grants.gov/News) for a full list of media coverage, newsletters and news releases. Recent news stories include:

01/18/06, *Government Computer News* featured an article reporting on the fact that 20 out of 26 federal grant-making agencies posted one-fourth of their opportunities at Grants.gov and received more than 15,000 applications in fiscal 2005.

01/19/06, *The National Consumers League News* included a report highlighting bogus offers of scholarships and grants that rose from the third most frequently reported telemarketing scam in 2004 to the second most frequently reported in 2005.

02/16/06, *Washington Technology* posted an article about the significant growth of the Grants.gov website and the RFI that was answered in February.

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