FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
System for Award Management (SAM)
CDFI Program and NACA Program

The Central Contractor Registration (CCR) system, which was previously used by CDFI and NACA Program applicants and awardees, has been replaced by the System for Award Management (SAM). Please review the **Frequently Asked Questions** below as these will help to navigate the transition from CCR to SAM.

How do I access SAM?
Visit SAM.gov.

I have a current CCR registration. What do I do?

You do not need to do anything until it is time to renew your current CCR registration. At that time you will need to create a user account in SAM.

What will happen to my data from CCR?

Your data will automatically be migrated from CCR into SAM. It will be in SAM when you are ready to access it. All you have to do is register in SAM, and SAM will validate your identity and walk you through the process of connecting you with your records.

I do not have a current CCR registration. What do I do?

Go to SAM.gov and create a SAM user account by clicking on the "Create Account" or "Register" buttons.

I am a FY 2012 CDFI or NACA Program awardee. Why is this information important for me to review?

Before FY 2012 award funds will be disbursed, awardees must confirm the following about its SAM (previously CCR) account: 1) the account is active and 2) the information in the account is accurate. To confirm this, you must create an account in SAM at SAM.gov then login to your account. If you find that your account is not active, you will need to register for a new SAM user account.

I am interested in applying for CDFI and/or NACA Program funding. Why is this information important for me to review?

CDFI and NACA Program applicants must have active accounts in SAM in order to submit funding applications through Grants.gov. If you do not have an active account, please visit SAM.gov as soon as possible to learn about the requirements and steps for SAM registration.

What is the timeline for the CCR transition to SAM?

CCR transitioned to SAM at the end of July 2012. CCR no longer accepts new registrations or updates to current registrations. However, the CCR Search capability will remain active through

the transition to allow the ability to search for an entity's current registration status. SAM is now online at SAM.gov.

What if my registration expires close to the CCR to SAM transition date?

If your account was scheduled to expire between July 16, 2012 and October 15, 2012, your expiration will be extended by 90 days. You will receive an e-mail notification in CCR when your expiration date is extended. You will then receive standard e-mail reminders to update your account based on the new expiration date. Those future e-mail notifications will come from SAM.

Where can I find more information about SAM?

Training materials are already posted to SAM.gov, including quick start guides and system overview briefings.