



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

Full Grant Lifecycle Training & Support

About Us

The Governor's Office of Federal Assistance (OFA) was created with the passage of Assembly Bill 445 of the 81st Legislative Session in 2021. We opened our doors on July 1, 2022.

Vision

The Governor's Office of Federal Assistance supports our stakeholders in obtaining, increasing, and maximizing federal assistance.

Mission

The Governor's Office of Federal Assistance reduces barriers by providing inclusive, collaborative, comprehensive, and centralized support in obtaining federal dollars for Nevada.



Learning Objectives

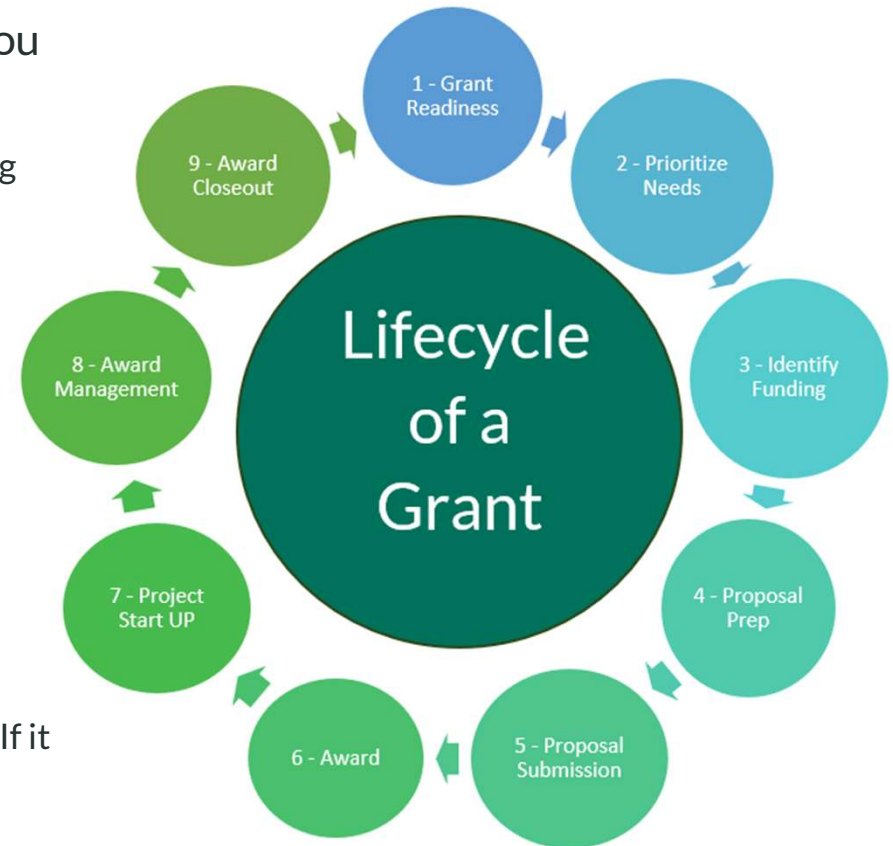
- Single Point of Contact
- Grant Discovery Tools
- Grant Matching Program
- Grant Training
- Full Grant Lifecycle Technical Assistance
- Major Regulatory Changes
- Recent Changes in Regulation



What is the Grant Lifecycle?

Each stage of the grant lifecycle has specific needs you can anticipate and prepare for.

1. **Grant Readiness** – Creating a grant strategy while building your internal support structures
2. **Prioritize Needs** – Which projects need attention now
3. **Identify Funding** – Grant Discovery
4. **Proposal Preparation** – Grant Writing & Review
5. **Proposal Submission** – Navigating unstable federal grant portals
6. **Award** – Accepting the Award
7. **Project Startup** – Let's do this!
8. **Award Management** – Documenting results & spending (If it is not documented, it did not happen.)
9. **Award Closeout** – Final review and reporting



Grant Discovery Tools

There are three sources of grant funds: federal agencies, state agencies and foundations. To streamline your grant searches, OFA has developed two tools:

- Nevada Federal Grant Finder Tool
 - Sign up at <https://ofa.nv.gov/GrantDiscovery/>
 - Save Searches
 - Find Collaboration Partners
 - Access Topic Specific Consortia
- Nevada ePro (state grants)
 - <https://nevadaepro.com/bsa/>
 - Subaward opportunities from federal grants
 - State legislative grants (from Nevada's State General Fund)

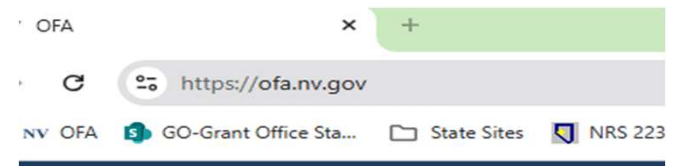
The screenshot shows the website for the Governor's Office of Federal Assistance. The navigation bar includes 'Grant Discovery', 'Resource Library', 'Training & Development', and 'Single Point of Contact (SPOC)'. A green arrow points to the 'Grant Discovery' link. Below the navigation bar, there is a 'Request Access' link with a green arrow pointing to it. Below the link, it says 'With a login you will have access to'. To the right of the 'Request Access' link is a form with three fields: '2. First Name *', '3. Last Name *', and '4. Title *'. Each field has a green arrow pointing to it and a text box below it that says 'Enter your answer'.



Single Point of Contact (SF-424)

The Governor's Office of Federal Assistance is the federally mandated single point of contact for intergovernmental review (Executive Order 12372).

- On form SF-424 in federal grant applications (and the grant matching program), you need the State Application Identification Number (SAI#).
- Using the "Complete a Federal Assistance Notification Form (SPoC & 088-GP 04)" on our home page (3 business days)
- Benefits
 - OFA advocates on your behalf with our Congressional delegation
 - Federal grant upheavals – We know who is going to be affected
 - Know who is applying to create partnerships and collaborations



Popular Grant Resources



[Complete a Federal Assistance Notification Form \(SPoC and 088-GP 04\)](#)

[Review Intergovernmental Federal Assistance Notification Form Submissions](#)

[Grant Matching Program](#)

[U.S. Digital Response Grant Discovery Tool](#)



Grant Matching Program (GMP)

The GMP receives \$1,000,000 each state fiscal year to fund up to 50% of a required match for new, competitive, federal grant opportunities.

- Applications on a first come first serve basis
- Start with the [Eligibility Checker](#) to see if your project is eligible.
 - Take 2 minutes to immediately know if your project is eligible.
 - If eligible, the application link is provided on the congratulations page with a list of items needed to fill out the application quickly.
- There is no limit the number of applications submitted
- The Letter of Commitment locks the funds until you receive your Notice of Grant Award (NoGA).
- Awarded funds paid up front
- Post-Award reporting required
- Available funding balance updates frequently



Grant Training

Learn grants at your pace. All recorded trainings have the slide deck and supplemental documentation. Go to the Trainings & Development page on our website (https://ofa.nv.gov/Training_and_Development/Training-Schedule/)

Video Training Library (Includes Pre-Award & Post-Award topics)

- Grant Readiness & Project Design
- Grant Discovery & Grant Writing
- Internal Controls & Risk Management
- Allowable Costs

Grant Academy (Key Goal in OFA's 5 Year Plan)

- Designed to educate & empower all grant professionals in Nevada
- Your Cost: \$0
- Goal: Prepare any Nevadan who want to take and pass the Certified Grant Management Specialist exam. It is the "Bar Exam" of the grants world.
- Already under construction and will be available in NV eLearn upon completion. (<https://nvelearn.nv.gov/moodle/>)

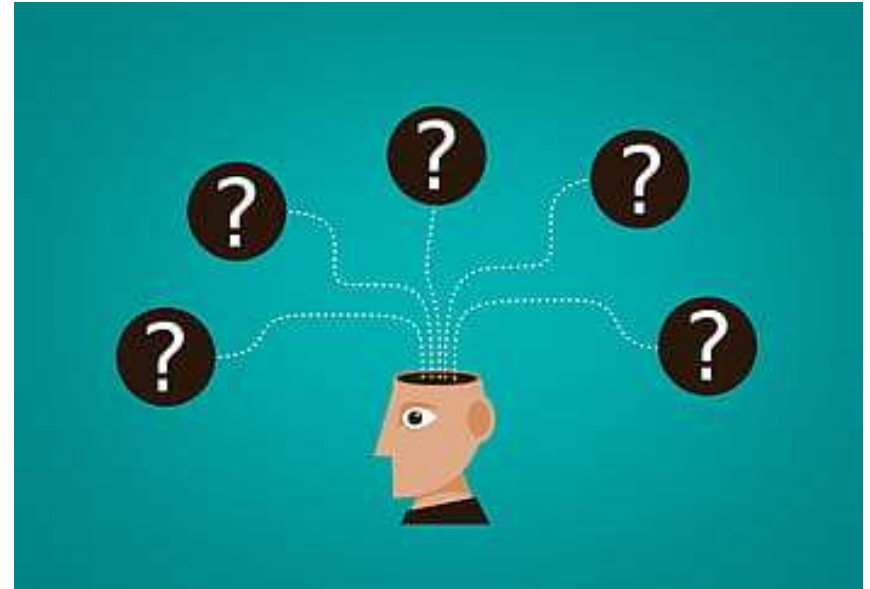


Technical Assistance

We offer the full grant lifecycle technical assistance to meet you where you are at – regardless of where you are in your grant journey.

Technical Assistance includes

- Continuing Education
- Grant Discovery assistance
- Grant writing support
- Pre and post submission grant application reviews
- Post Award Management options
- Process reviews
- Risk Mitigation
- Close Out assistance
- Audit Finding Prevention



Recent Regulatory Changes

Federal grant regulations received an overhaul effective October 1, 2024.

Highlights include

- Single Audit Threshold increased to \$1,000,000
- De Minimis increased to 15%
- Supply threshold increased to \$10,000
- Equipment threshold increased to \$10,000
- Confusing language removed
- NOFO standardization
- Common language requirements

Immediately effective for all grants awarded after October 1, 2025

**CODE OF
FEDERAL
REGULATIONS**

**TITLE 2
Grants and
Agreements**



Tribal Only Training of Recent Updates

We are planning a Tribal Only formal training from Feldsman-Leifer, LLC with continuing education (CE) credits.

- Covering Tribal-specific changes made to the 2 CFR 200 (federal regulation governing grants and agreements)
- Normal cost: \$1,500 per person
- Your cost: \$0
- CE Credits: Apply to both the CPA exam and the CGMS exam.
- Due to proprietary concerns, this is an in-person event only.



We will let you know when we have the details.



OFA Contact Info

Let us know how we can help you
on your grant journey!

- Website: <https://ofa.nv.gov/>
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