



The National Grants Partnership

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- Over 900 programs
 - Over 26 federal agencies
 - Over \$500 billion annually
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- More restrictive budgets
 - Greater accountability



The National Grants Partnership

Government and non-government parties
working together to improve the grants process--

- Streamline
- Simplify
- Improve coordination
- Transparent processes

- Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act - P.L. 106-107
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act – P.L. 109-282



Expand Grants.gov

- Required for all grant-making agencies
 - Discretionary and formula
- Discontinue hard-copy applications
- Expand functionality
 - Find/apply
 - Submit/receive
 - Award notifications/documents
 - Management reports
 - Closeout tools
 - Tracking
 - Training
- Combine USASpending.gov into Grants.gov
- Training & assistance via Grants.gov



Consolidate & Streamline Grants Management Structure

- Grants Policy Committee should include—
 - State, local and tribal governments
 - Institutions of higher education
 - Vendors
 - Non-profits
- Open & transparent meetings
- Program review & audit consistency
- Improve grants payment systems



Stakeholder Input

“Real world” applicability of products

- Ensure non-federal participation
- Solicit input as early as possible
- Collaborate in developing Training Certification Program



Questions or Comments--

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