

Managing and Applying for Grants

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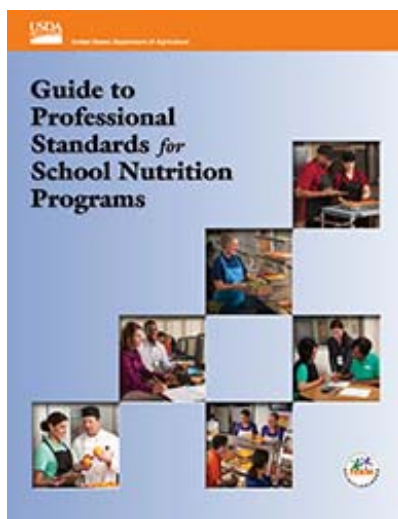
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Workforce Development and Job Skills Training



USDA Professional Standards



Key Area: Administration

USDA Professional Standard Codes:

- 3230 Healthy School Environment



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Learning Objective

- Participants will identify ways to obtain resources to promote a healthy school environment.

Common Grant Terms

- A **proposal** refers to an application to be submitted to the granting agency and may include an applicant's goals and activities for a proposed project, the qualifications of the applicant, and how the proposed project matches the requirements of the granting agency.



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Project Director or Principal Investigator

- A **project director or a principal investigator** is the primary person responsible for the project. The project director/principal investigator ultimately has a duty to ensure that all project activities comply with federal, state, and local laws, in addition to any other applicable regulations.



Types of Funding Agencies

- Types of Funding Agencies:
 - **Government**
 - **Foundations and organizations**
 - **Industry/or business**



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Types of Federal Awards

- Types of Government Agency Funding: federal, state, or local
- USDA Food and Nutrition Service (example of a federal funding agency)
- Types of federal awards
 - **Grant**
 - **Cooperative Agreement**
 - **Contract**



Applying for Funding

- Contract: the applicant will provide a quote or respond to a request for proposal (RFP).
- Cooperative agreement: the applicant may typically respond to a request for application (RFA).
- Federal grant: the applicant will download an application packet with guidelines.



Is the Organization Eligible?

- Can my organization meet the requirements of the project period and timeline?
- Do I have the resources (equipment, infrastructure) to carry out the project activities?
- Do I have the expertise (personnel) required?



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Can the Organization Manage the Grant Project?

- Reporting System
- Statutory and Regulatory Compliance
- Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirement for Federal Awards



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Grant Sources

- USDA Food and Nutrition Service <https://www.fns.usda.gov/grant-opportunities>
- USDA FNS School Nutrition Environment and Wellness Resources <https://healthymeals.fns.usda.gov/local-wellness-policy-resources/school-nutrition-environment-and-wellness-resources/grantsfunding>
- GRANTS.GOV <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants>
- Foundation Center <http://foundationcenter.org>
- W.K. Kellogg Foundation <https://www.wkkf.org/>



Questions and Answers



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