



Keeping Up with the OFA

Services & Resources to Support Your Federal Grant Work

Below are the questions and answers from the Q&A session of the Keeping Up with the OFA training webinar held on September 28, 2023, at 10 am PST.

- 1. How long does it take to get an answer about Grant Matching Program funds when an application is submitted?**

A: The [Grant Matching Program](#) manager completes the technical review of the application within 5 days of submission. If the application is complete, upon first submission and review, processing time can be up to 10 business days.

- 2. When was the period to apply for the [Grant Matching Program](#) funds?**

A: The [Grant Matching Program](#) begins accepting applications on September 1st. The application period remains open until all funds have been expended or June 30th – whichever is sooner. OFA recommends that applicants reach out to the GMP program manager at grants@nv.gov, if they are submitting applications for the [Grant Matching Program](#) after March 31st.

- 3. The "grant matching application" is this a grant opportunity?**

A: The [Grant Matching Program](#) is not a grant opportunity. The Grant Matching Program aids with providing up to 50% of the required matching funds for competitive federal grants after you have exhausted all other options.

- 4. Can you use the Grant Matching Program for renewal grants?**

A: The [Grant Matching Program](#) can be utilized if it is a new, competitive federal grant opportunity, and a match is required. Renewal of currently awarded federal grants would not qualify for the program.

- 5. If you have already received a federal grant, you would not qualify for the Grant Matching Program, correct?**

A: The [Grant Matching Program](#) is available only to those new, federal grant opportunities, that require a match, that has not been awarded.



6. What if you are expanding (new expansion grant) would you qualify for the Grant Matching Program?

A: The [Grant Matching Program](#) can be utilized if it is a new, competitive federal grant, and a match is required.

7. To be clear, does there need to be an explicit grant matching requirement? What about if a grant applied has a decrease in funding from a previous year?

A: The [Grant Matching Program](#) is available for new, competitive federal grant opportunities, where a match is required, per NRS 223.490. Additionally, the [Grant Matching Program](#) is not available if the federal grant opportunity has already been awarded.

8. Our organization is considering applying for a Federal Grant, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), but our application would have to be sponsored by our county. If my organization wanted a match, would my organization be applicant for the match grant or would the "County" have to apply for the match grant?

A: The county would be the entity that would apply for the [Grant Matching Program](#) funds, not the subrecipient organizations. Additionally, if the CDBG funds are passed to the County from a State Agency, the County would not qualify for the [Grant Matching Program](#), as the County is not the direct recipient (pass through entity) of the funding, and is a subrecipient of the State Agency.

9. When a local Nevada government decides to apply for a federal grant, the locality must notify OFA that we will be doing that before we go ahead and apply?

A: The Governor's Office of Federal Assistance (OFA) is the official Single Point of Contact, for the Intergovernmental Review requirement per Presidential Executive Order 12372. Notification for review and the issuance of the SAI number (per the SF-424 form) is required and can be completed with the submittal on the OFA's website at:

- <https://ofa.nv.gov/Single Point of Contact/Single Point of Contact/>

10. Do you sponsor any grant networking events?

A: No, but we participate in networking events as much as possible and share the resources that OFA provides. We are also open to requests to participate or collaborate. Please reach out to grants@ofa.nv.gov.

11. Is the Office of Federal Assistance staff available for generalized grant questions?

A: Yes, please email us at grants@ofa.nv.gov.



12. We are a nonprofit and looking to start a healthcare clinic. Is this available for a federal grant in Nevada?

A: We have several resources available on our website to assist you. We recommend you enroll in our [Federal Grant Discover Tool \(USDR tool\)](#). This newly expanded tool streamlines the Grants.gov process of searching for federal grants and collaborators.