



Developing a Community Grant Program

"10 Steps for Setting Up an AWESOME Community Grant Program"

1. Review the Community's Master Plans, Land Use Plans, **Comprehensive Plan and ICIP priorities**.
2. Meet with **Department Heads or key officials and staff** to determine and prioritize needs, projects, and goals.
3. Meet with your area's **Council of Governments (a.k.a Economic Development District)**
4. Produce and review a list/database of **current grants and past applications** that were applied and/or awarded.
 - o Get copies of application and produce a database including all partners in those grants.
 - o Determine an average success/win rate over last five years that you can compete with or measure yourself against.
 - o Probably can start with Manager or Grants and Contracts personnel, if one exists.
5. Develop a stellar but boilerplate **introduction** that can be used for any and all grants proposals to explain where you are and who you are. **Start writing your "STORY" today.**
6. Compile all **general background, contact, and grant information including** all Federal and State tax ID information, DUNS#, SAM #, user names, and passcodes.
7. **Funding Opportunities:** Look at NM Catalog of Assistance (outdated but some usefulness still), NM FUNDIT, NM Resource Map, other grant finders, and use Grants.gov and check daily for opportunities and create customized searches and notifications.
8. Institute and implement a **grant research and management system** [eCivis.com] or **free system via** email newsletters, webinars, Grants.gov, and other sites (e.g. NM Grant Plant).
9. **Self-Training and powerpoints** on grantwriting tips: <http://www.slideshare.net/> or [college courses \(UNM Grant Writing Training via Ed2Go online\)](#) or other courses.
10. Interview and Mentor from other like communities and long-term, successful grantwriters to **"recycle"** what they do, templates and winning applications, success they have had, and funding sources that they pull in that yours doesn't.

Roll up your sleeves and learn from your mistake.

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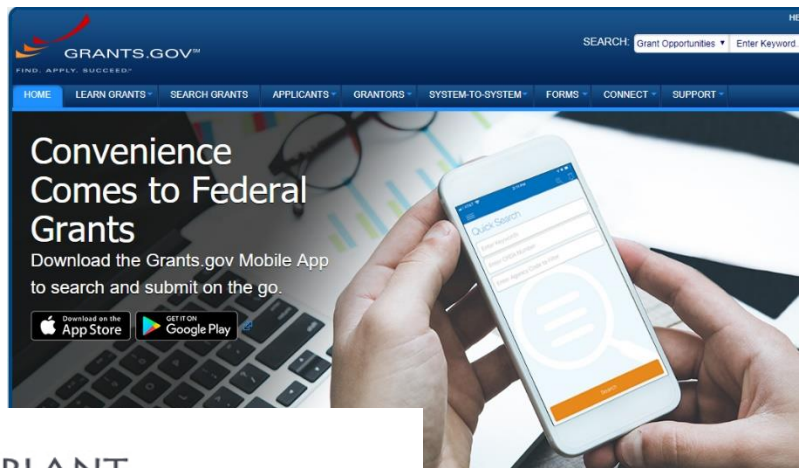
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