



Introduction to the Grants Process

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

RESEARCH AND PLANNING DIVISION

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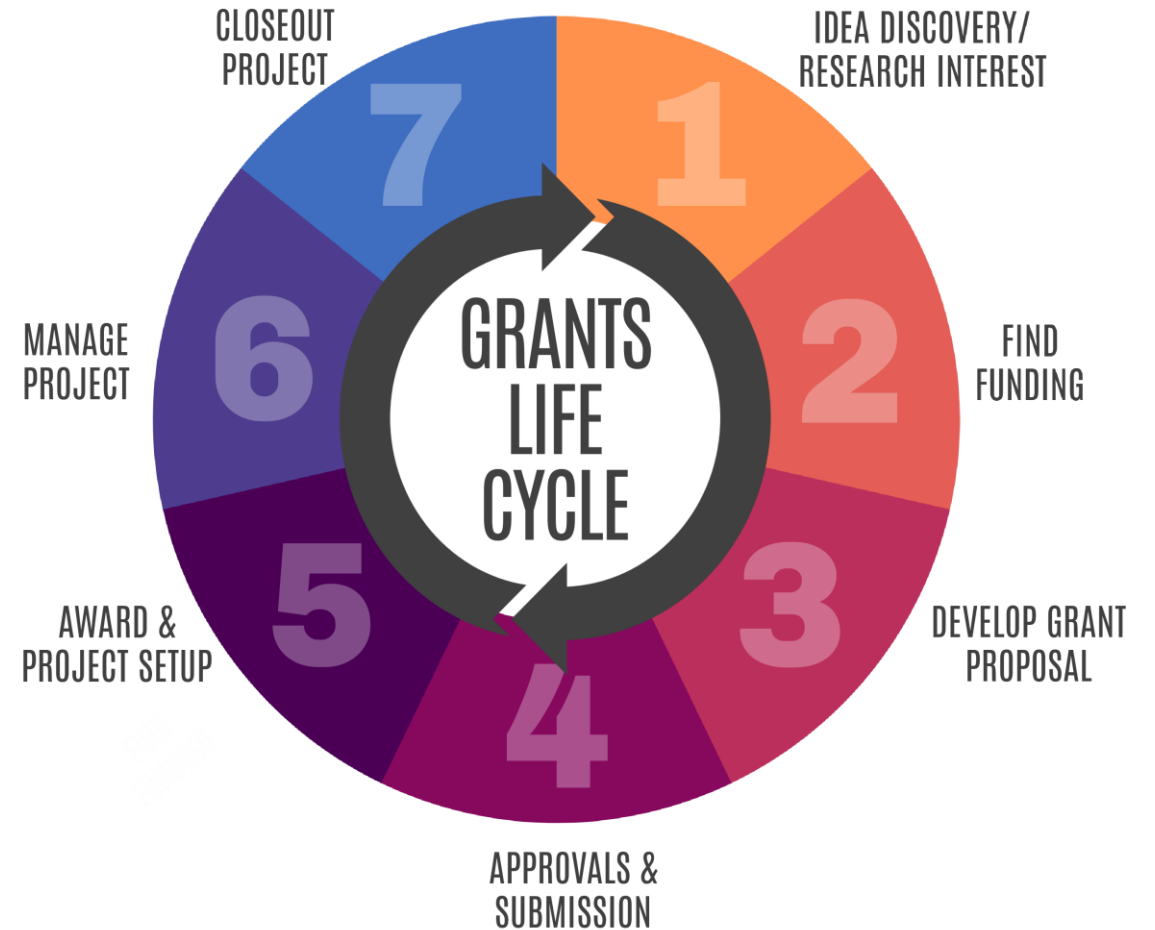
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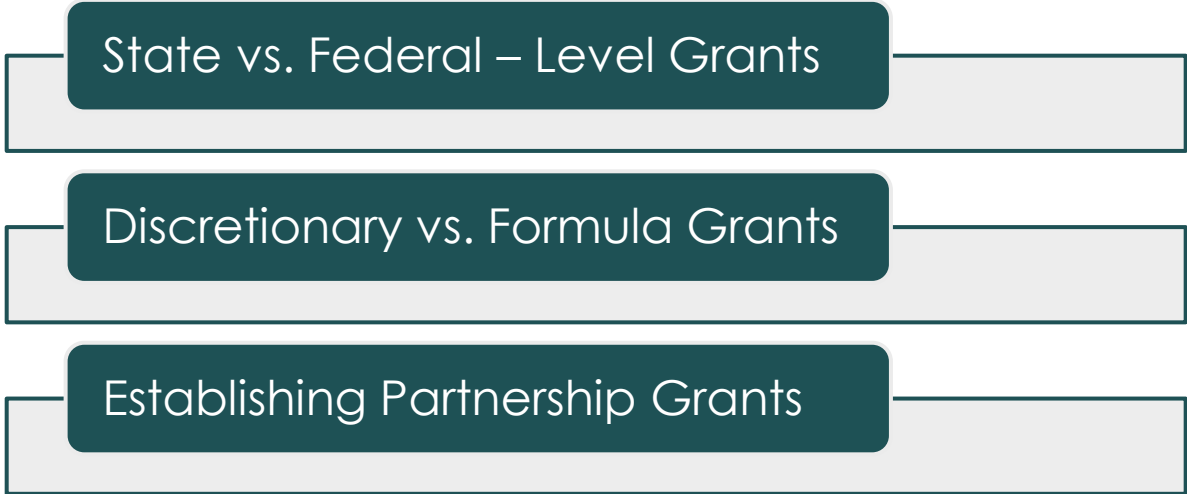
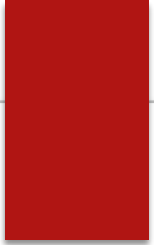
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The Grant Process

- ▶ Identifying Grant of Interest
- ▶ Developing a Grant Proposal
 - ❖ Timeline Development
 - ❖ Pre-Approval Forms
 - ❖ Budgeting
 - ❖ Identifying Stakeholders
- ▶ Award Notifications
- ▶ Project Management
- ▶ Closeout Project Requirements



Types of Grants



State vs. Federal – Level Grants

Discretionary vs. Formula Grants

Establishing Partnership Grants

State – Level Grants



- ▶ Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)
- ▶ Arkansas Department of Health (DHS)
- ▶ Arkansas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
 - ▶ DPS Public Safety Equipment Grant
 - ▶ Highway Safety Office (HSO)
 - ▶ Arkansas Emergency Management (ADEM)

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Federal – Level Grants



BJA

Bureau of Justice Assistance
U.S. Department of Justice

Federal – Level Grants

- Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
- Community Oriented Policing Services
- Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS)
- Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

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Community Oriented Policing Services
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Office for Victims of Crime



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3 Keys to Writing a Grant:

1. Time

- Grant writing takes time, and you need to prioritize your needs over wants so that you're not overwhelmed.
- The key to facing this obstacle is to know the deadlines in advance, start early, make a schedule or timeline for completion, and make the application one of your priorities.
- **Read the Grant Solicitation**; most include a checklist to keep you organized.

2. Realistic Goals

- Narrow the scope of your project to something manageable. You don't have to solve all the problems related to your project at once. Focus on one or two issues that can be solved within your budget and time available.
- Create two to three quality, mission-focused goals.
- You need to report on your progress towards these goals when you submit a grant report. Whether your identified goals are qualitative or quantitative, make sure you can measure them throughout the year.

3. Apply

- Do not worry about rejection.
- If you never apply, you'll never receive grant funding.
- Use the tools available online. Most sites include Training and Technical Assistance. Do not hesitate to reach out to Research and Planning, we are happy to help.



Things to Remember

- ✓ Time Management
- ✓ Realistic Goals
- ✓ Application Tools and Assistance
- ✓ Project Reporting Procedures

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