KANSAS INFRASTRUCTURE HUB

Session 1: Project Readiness

2024 Hub Summit

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Agenda

- ✓ Where is my Organization in Project Development?
- ✓ Is my Project Appropriate for Federal Financial Assistance?
- ✓ Types of Federal Financial Assistance
- ✓ Before You Apply – The Basics and Experience
- ✓ Grant Ready Checklist

Where is my Organization in Project Development?

- **Idea Stage**
  - Project concept and feasibility
- **Project Planning Stage**
  - Defining project goals, scope, resources, and purpose
- **Shovel Ready Stage**
  - Execution of the project can happen quickly

Is my Project Appropriate for Federal Funding?

Alignment

- Does this program fit or fulfill your organization's mission, vision, or values
- Ensure the project aligns with the federal opportunity's goals

Eligibility

- Is my project eligible?
- Is my organization eligible?

Resources

- Does my organization have the resources to apply and manage a federal award?
  - Staff
  - Budget and timeline
  - Partners

Types of Federal Financial Assistance

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law includes a range of funding opportunities for various stages of an organizations project readiness:

- **Technical Assistance**
  - Ex: EPA Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA)

- **Planning and Design**
  - Ex: Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)

- **Construction**
  - Ex: Bridge Investment Program (BIP)

Before You Apply – The Basics and Experience

What do you have? What don't you have?

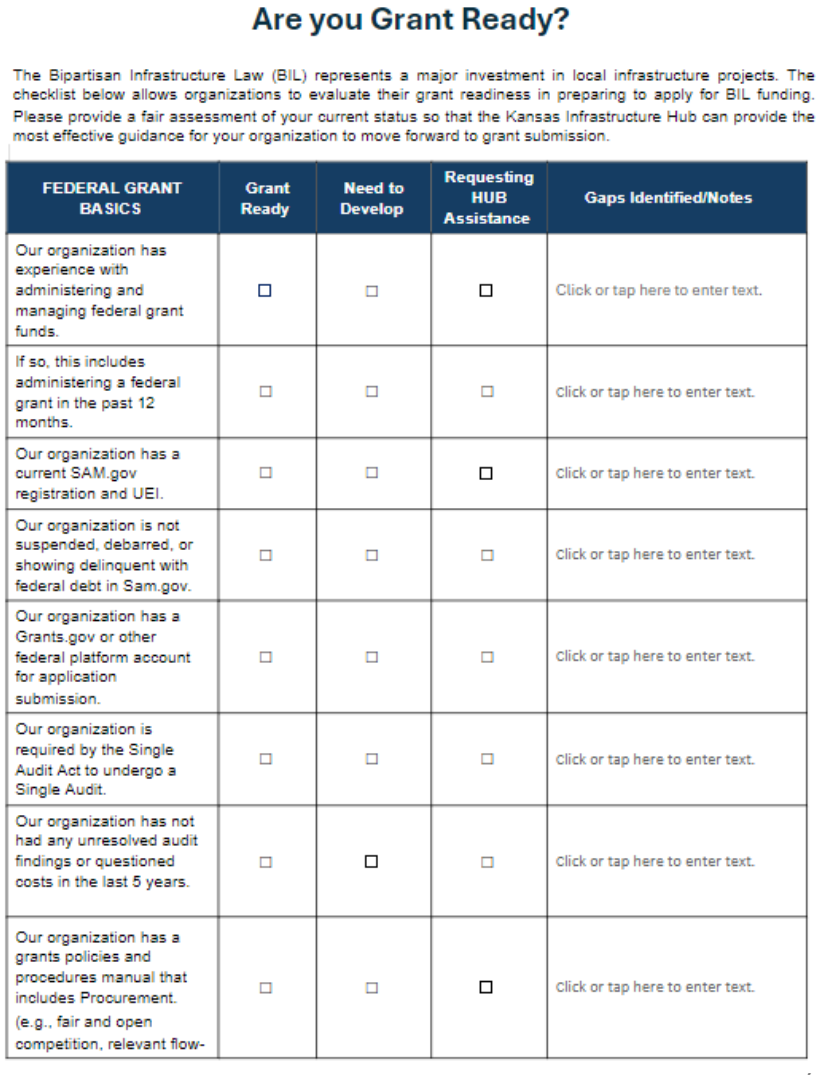
- ✓ Does your organization have any experience with **administering and managing federal, state or local grant funds?**
  - If so, was this in the past 12 months?
- ✓ Is your organization **tracking funding announcements on Grants.gov or on other systems?**
- ✓ If you have administered federal or even local grants in the last 5 years, did you have any **single audit findings, or audit findings?**
  - Did you organization properly review, and address any such findings?

Identify your Organization's Strengths and Weaknesses…
Be Honest!

Grant Ready Checklist

Do you have the following in place?

- Policies and procedures
  - Clear internal processes
  - Robust internal controls
  - Federal procurement requirements
- Financial management systems
- Infrastructure needs/priorities identified
- Available matching resources, or know how to identify sources for matching funds



Are you Grant Ready?

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) represents a major investment in local infrastructure projects. The checklist below allows organizations to evaluate their grant readiness in preparing to apply for BIL funding. Please provide a fair assessment of your current status so that the Kansas Infrastructure Hub can provide the most effective guidance for your organization to move forward to grant submission.

FEDERAL GRANT BASICS	Grant Ready	Need to Develop	Requesting HUB Assistance	Gaps Identified/Notes
Our organization has experience with administering and managing federal grant funds.	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.
If so, this includes administering a federal grant in the past 12 months.	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.
Our organization has a current SAM.gov registration and UEI.	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.
Our organization is not suspended, debarred, or showing delinquent with federal debt in Sam.gov.	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.
Our organization has a Grants.gov or other federal platform account for application submission.	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.
Our organization is required by the Single Audit Act to undergo a Single Audit.	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.
Our organization has not had any unresolved audit findings or questioned costs in the last 5 years.	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.
Our organization has a grants policies and procedures manual that includes Procurement. (e.g., fair and open competition, relevant flow-	☐	☐	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.

Questions?

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Thank you