

## Grants.gov | Key elements

Grants.gov is the single access point for more than 1,000 grant programs offered by all federal grant making agencies.

**Learn Grants:** Grants.gov provides a wealth of information regarding a variety of grant topics including:

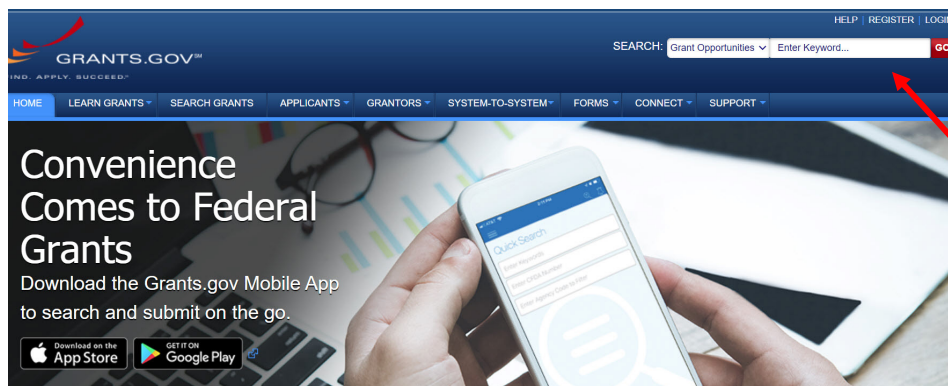
- Grants 101 including the grant lifecycle
- Grant Policies
- Grant Eligibility
- Grant Terminology

**Applicants:** Training videos on grants.gov topics are offered on the Applicants tab under Applicant Training.

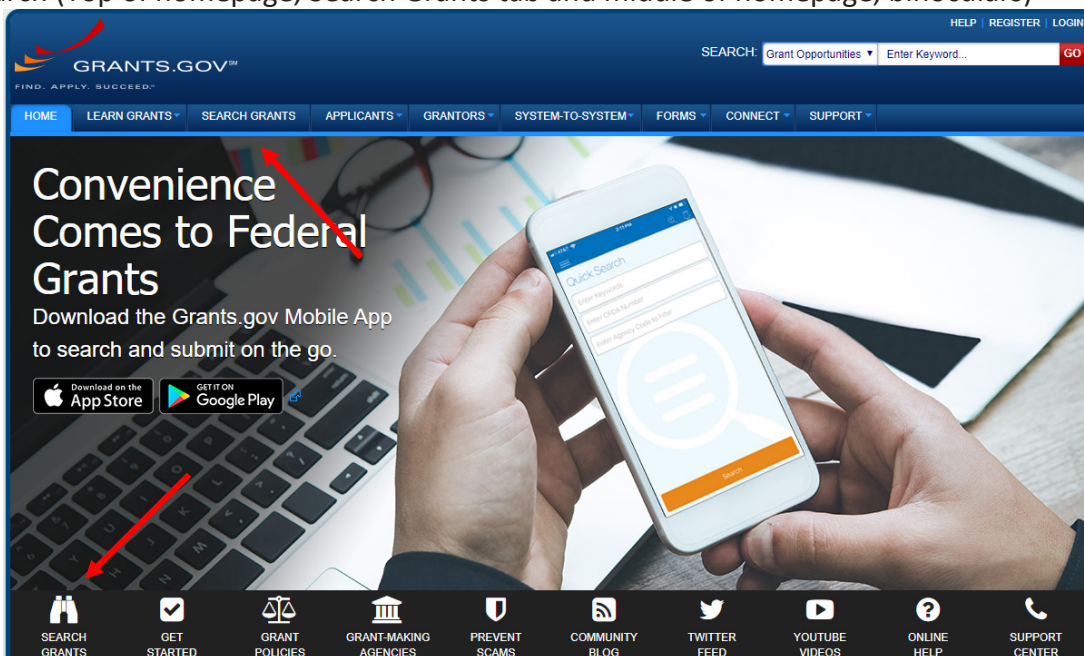
- <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/applicant-training.html>

**Search Grants:** There are two primary ways to search for grants on grants.gov.

- (1) Quick keyword search (Top right corner of homepage). Be sure to select Grant Opportunities from the drop down menu.



- (2) Full Search (Top of homepage, Search Grants tab and middle of homepage, binoculars)



After selecting Search Grants, you can search by keyword (s), Opportunity Number, or CFDA. You can also filter by opportunity status, eligibility, funding instrument type, category, and funding agency using check boxes.

The screenshot displays the Grants.gov search interface. On the left, there are several filter sections:
 

- BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:** Fields for Keyword(s), Opportunity Number, and CFDA, with a 'SEARCH' button.
- OPPORTUNITY STATUS:** Checkboxes for Forecasted (320), Posted (1,870), Closed (3,561), and Archived (55,410).
- FUNDING INSTRUMENT TYPE:** Checkboxes for All Funding Instruments, Cooperative Agreement (674), **Grant (1,587)** (highlighted in red), Other (94), and Procurement Contract (39).
- ELIGIBILITY:** Checkboxes for All Eligibilities, City or township governments (1,143), County governments (1,163), For profit organizations other than small businesses (1,134), and Independent school districts (1,116).
- CATEGORY:** Checkboxes for All Categories, Affordable Care Act (1), Agriculture (48), Arts (see 'Cultural Affairs' in CFDA) (17), and Business and Commerce (13).
- AGENCY:** Checkboxes for All Agencies, All Agency for International Development (USAID) (129), All Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) (1), All Department of Agriculture (USDA) (10), All Department of Commerce [DOC] (40), All Department of Defense [DOD] (89), All Department of Education [ED] (3), All Department of Energy [DOE] (22), and All Department of Energy - Office of Science (2).

 On the right, the search results are displayed in a table with columns: Opportunity Number, Opportunity Title, Agency, Opportunity Status, Posted Date, and Close Date. The table shows 25 results, with the first row being 72011520R00004 (USAID/Central Asia's Turkmenistan New Generation Activity). A red box highlights the 'Grant' option in the filter, and a blue box highlights the 'Private institutions of higher education' option in the eligibility filter.

**Grant Opportunity Listing:** Each grant opportunity listing includes the following tabs:

- **Synopsis:** High Level information including deadline and eligibility information
- **Version History:** Changes made to the synopsis since its original posting
- **Related Documents:** Any files provided by the federal grant-making agency
- **Package:** Can select instructions and proposal package

**Connect:** Users can set up custom email notification subscriptions for the following:

- **Grants.gov News:** Receive Alerts and Newsletters containing updates about system enhancements and training resources
- **New grant opportunities:** Receive a daily email listing all new grant opportunities
- **Opportunities:** Receive notifications when changes are made to a specific opportunity's forecast, synopsis and/or packages
- **Saved searches:** Receive notifications for new opportunities matching saved search criteria