# **GRANT TRAINING**

Grant Application Process New Grant Set Up Process Completing the GAN/Budget Form

### LIFE OF A GRANT

### Application

- Identify the Need
- Find a grant
- Submit Intent to Apply
- Application to Funder or DPS Foundation
- Receive Award Letter

### Management

- GAN form, Setup Grant and Budget
- Grant Analyst / Grant Manager
- Routine Fiscal Meetings
- Billing (RFF)
- Spending & Reporting Requirements

### Close Award

- Sustainability Plan
- Evaluation of the Program's Success
- Close Out
- Performance & Financial Reporting
- Records Retention

### **ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

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### **Roles & Responsibilities**

#### **Grant Manager**

- Monitor expenditures for allowability, reasonableness and compliance
- Prepare & submit all program performance reporting, if required
- Ensure no overspending

#### Bookkeeper

- Properly code all expenditures with accurate accounts
- Correct all budget variances in timely manner and in compliance with the funder's requirements
- Monitor grant budgets on a monthly basis

#### **Financial Partner**

- Provide financial and management support
- Prepare & submit requests for funds as required
- Complete AFRs and send to Grants Compliance and Reporting Analyst for approval
- Provide grant manager with budget performance reports and expense information
- Compile & analyze financial information

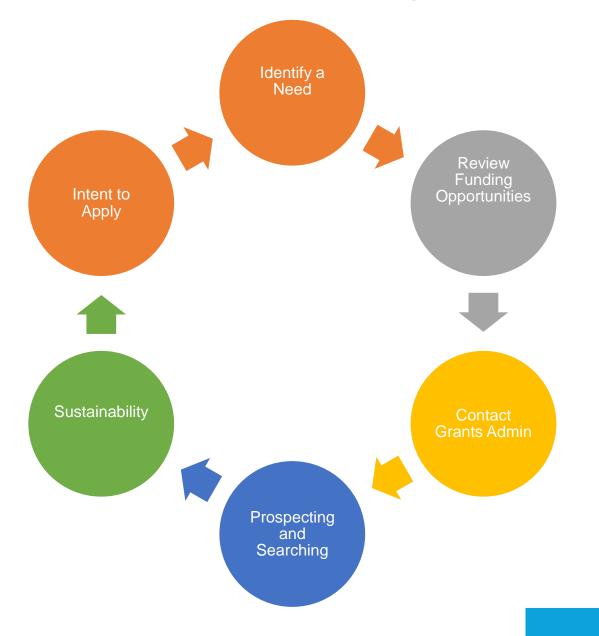




# GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS

### FINDING FUNDING

Responsible Grant Team Members: Lora Langlee or Jeremiah Johnson



## FINDING FUNDING – CONT.

### **Identify a Need**

- Need must align with at least one of the Denver Plan Goals
  - ✓ Great School in Every Neighborhood
  - ✓ A Foundation for Success in School
  - ✓ Ready for College & Career
  - ✓ Support for the Whole Child
  - ✓ Close the Opportunity Gap
- If need greater than \$50,000, contact the DPS Foundation

#### **Review Funding Opportunities**

<u>Funding Opportunities</u> posted on The Commons

### FINDING FUNDING – CONT.

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#### **Contact Grants Administration**

- Prospecting and Searching Let Grants Admin know what you're looking for. Search on your own also.
- DPS Foundation Do Not Solicit List (found on The Commons) reach out to the Foundation if you find a grant sponsored by a funder on this list. Do not apply directly without permission from the Foundation

#### **Sustainability**

- How will the project be continued once the grant funds are gone? Funders often want this addressed.
- If project is short-term, then sustainability is not a concern.

#### **Intent to Apply**

- Google Form found on The Commons/Grants Administration Forms
- Keeps us from competing against ourselves; Grants Admin coordinates multiple applicants.
- Depending on amount, ITA is approved by Grants Admin or the school's IS.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Responsible Grant Team Member: Lora Langlee

#### **BEST PRACTICES**

- Once funding opportunity has been identified, submit ITA, refer questions to Grants Administration
- Individual with the "need" should write the grant subject matter expert
- Grants Administration can assist with:
  - $\checkmark~$  Reviewing the grant, align with RFP
  - ✓ Budget development
  - ✓ Tax information
  - ✓ Signatures
  - $\checkmark$  Supporting document
  - ✓ Coordinating multiple applicants
  - $\checkmark\,$  Ways to meet match requirements if applicable

## **TYPES OF GRANTS**

Туре	Formula	Discretionary	Company	Grant #'s
Definition	Funds allocated based on number and type of students	A discretionary grant awards funds on the basis of a competitive process that best addresses the program requirements		
Federal	Title, IDEA, Medicaid, Headstart	<ul><li>Direct with a Federal Agency</li><li>Passed through the State</li><li>DPS is a sub grantee</li></ul>	22	4000 - 9000
State	State categorical; such as: ELPA, READ act, and Gifted and Talented	<ul> <li>Department of Education</li> <li>Other agencies (i.e. Human Services)</li> </ul>	22	3000 - 3999
City and Local	n/a	City or County of Denver     (i.e. Office of Economic Development)	22	2000 - 2999
DPS Foundation and Private Foundations	n/a	<ul> <li>Small awards to many schools</li> <li>Awards &gt;\$50k from specific funders</li> </ul>	26	1000 – 1999
Higher Ed, Corporate and Private	n/a	<ul><li>Partnership with a college of university</li><li>Award directly with a company</li><li>Private donation</li></ul>	26	1000 - 1999

## DONATIONS

- Donations (Not a grant but is an Activity)
  - Company 13 (Typically X110700LOC#)
  - No specific period of performance (no end date)
  - No reporting requirements to funder
  - May or may not have a specific purpose
  - See The Commons for additional help on how to determine if funds are a grant or a donation (<u>document</u>)

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

#### **The Commons**

- Grant Guidance Manual
- Grant Guidelines & Job Aids
- Grant Forms
- Grant/Funding Opportunities
- Grant Admin Contact List

#### **Budgeting Resources:**

- Mileage and Per Diem: Accounts Payable Forms <u>http://thecommons.dpsk12.org/Page/89</u>
- Substitute and Extra Duty pay rates can be found in the Budget Guidance Manual Department and School Support (Budget) Guidelines and Job Aids : <u>http://thecommons.dpsk12.org//site/Default.aspx?PageID=103</u>
- Indirect costs: Grants Admin Budget Guidance Manual <u>http://thecommons.dpsk12.org/Page/106</u>
- Hotel Costs, GSA Calculator (U.S. General Services Administration) <u>https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates</u>





# GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS Q & A





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# NEW GRANT SET UP PROCESS

## **INFORMATION REQUIRED**

#### Responsible Grant Team Member: Lora Langlee

#### Award Letter

- Period of performance (start and end dates)
- Reporting requirements
- Purpose of the funding
- Amount of award and how it will be received (reimbursement or upfront)
- Check (if pre-funded)

### Grant Award Notification (GAN)

- Always pull most current version off The Commons
- Grant Manager name & ID #
- Bookkeeper
- Financial Partner
- Location # and BR
- Budget
  - FTE if full time employees budgeted
  - Benefits
  - Flex benefits (per bargaining unit)
  - IDC if allowable

### Submit for Set Up

- Send all documents with the GAN/Budget to <u>grants@dspk12.org</u> (mail check to Lora's attn)
- Set up notification email sent to GM, FP and Bookkeeper

### **ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

Grants Admin:– Reviews Documents, Loads into Lawson, Notifies GM/FP when activated

Grant Manager: receives award; gathers award letter/check/budget /documents and sends to FP

Financial Partner: Completes GAN/Budget form, sends all documents to Grants Mailbox

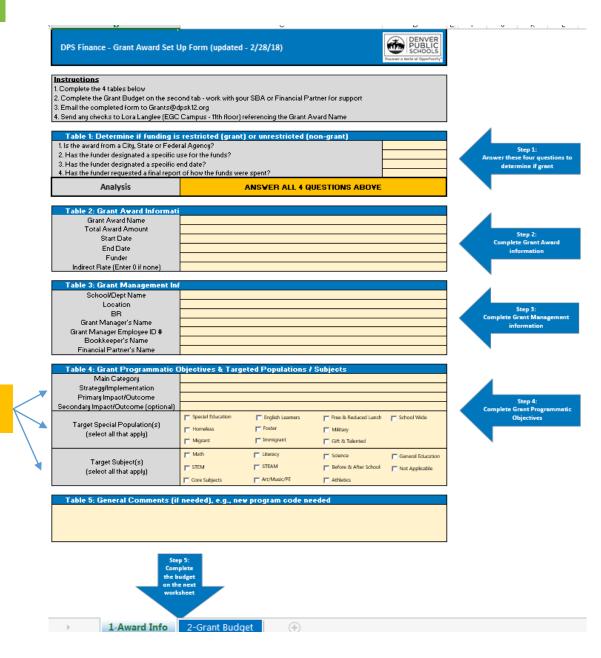




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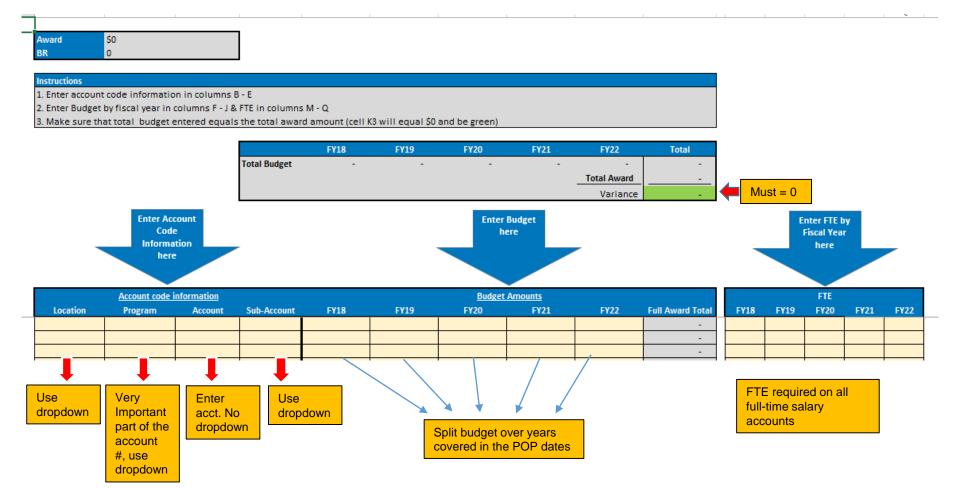
# COMPLETING THE GAN/BUDGET FORM

### AWARD INFO TAB



New Section

### **GRANT BUDGET TAB**



## **GRANT BUDGET TAB**

**GAN/Budget Form** 





# GRANT SET UP AND COMPLETING THE GAN/BUDGET FORM Q & A



### GRANT TRAINING SESSION TWO – COMING SOON

Helpful Lawson Screens

Running Reports – BIS Reporting

Grant Closeout