

U.S. Representative Gloria Negrete McLeod GRANTS WORKSHOP August 19, 2013

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Where We Are

- U.S. High-School Drop-Out Rate: <u>27%</u>
- U.S. Adults Earning a Two-Year or Four-Year College Degree: 40%
- U.S. Adults Entering a Four-Year College Who Still Need Remedial Instruction: 35%
- College-Completion Rate: U.S. is 10th in the world (25–34 year-olds)

Why Does It Matter?

It matters...

- On a human level
- On an economic level
- On a national-security level

How Can ED Help?

- Focus the nation on "pockets of success"
- Recognize success (E.g., Race to the Top, Blue Ribbon School Awards)
- Federal Student Aid (Student Loans)
- Grants

Types of Grants

Formula Grants

- → Congress determines the formula
- → Examples: Title I (Economic Need), Safe and Healthy Students

Discretionary Grants

- → Individuals, Higher-Ed Institutions, LEAs, Nonprofits, Other Orgs and Agencies, State Education Agencies, and Consortia (Partners)
- → Application Required
- → Competitive

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"The Big Eight"

- Institute of Education Sciences
- Office of English Language Acquisition
- Office of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Office of Innovation and Improvement
- Office of Postsecondary Education
- Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services
- Office of Vocational and Adult Education
- Office of the Deputy Secretary

Sample Grants Now Open for Application

- ► Race to the Top Districts (Oct. 3, 2013 deadline)
- ► Education Research and Special-Ed Research Grant Programs (Sept. 4)
- National Institute on Disability and Rehab Research Rehab Research and Training Centers (Sept. 3)
- ► Technical Assistance...to Improve Services for Children with Disabilities; Safe and Drug-Free Schools (Aug. 19)
- ▶ Promoting Readiness of Minors in Supplementary Security Income (Aug. 19)

Let's Go Live...



Grant Application Web Sites

www.grants.gov

Help Desk: 1-800-518-4726

www.g5.gov

Help Desk: 1-888-336-8930

"A Rose By Any Other Name..."

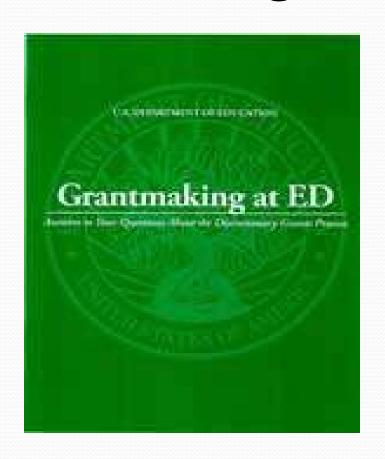
- Many education-related grants are not in ED
- ED grants focus mostly on activity within schools
- Other federal depts/agencies address externals:
 - USDA Internet to rural areas
 - USDA Building rural-school facilities
 - USDA Helping rural teachers buy homes
 - HHS Students' social, emotional and health needs

Federal Youth Initiatives

www.findyouthinfo.gov

- Multi-agency web site
- Outreach programs
- Grant programs
 - Click Tab: Funding Information Center
 - Click Link: <u>Federal Youth Funding Agencies</u>

"Grantmaking at ED" – THE How-To Book



Grants at ED: In Q-and-A Format

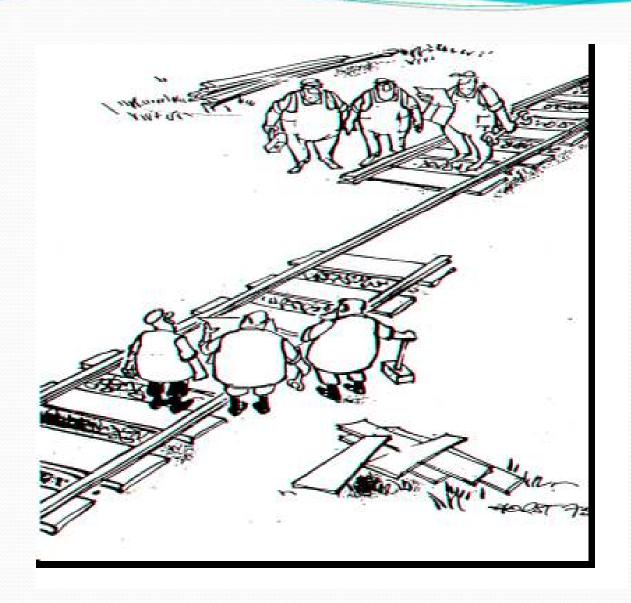
How to Apply - Step by Step

Application Review Process

When Your Project Receives Funding

Your Responsibilities and Accountability

When Your Project Ends



Little Things Mean a Lot



Triple-check submission deadline

Submit early (in case of technical difficulties, time to re-submit)

Use correct type font

Meet length requirements

Review with "fresh eyes"

Print out hard copy (computers can crash)

Obtain proof of mailing with a legible postmark



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