Fin 2.04: Outgoing Grants Policy

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Agenda

- Outline of the policy changes
- Internal and external benefits
- Next steps
- Questions

Why the changes?

While the City's grants program has successfully delivered hundreds of millions of dollars, there hasn't been a policy that defines and outlines the City's grants program. This policy changes codifies many of the processes and procedures that are already in place.

Standardizes
grantmaking
and reporting
processes
across all
Service Areas

Increases
transparency of
the City's grant
programs
internally &
externally

Incorporates
necessary
changes due
to charter
reform





What grants are impacted?

Not Impacted

Grant programs with a restricted funding source and/or specific City policies or codes that dictate grant requirements.





Impacted



All City Service Areas

All other discretionary grant programs, regardless of bureau or funding source

Major Changes



The new outgoing grant policy establishes a consistent structure for administering City grants and incorporates the new Community and Grants Reporting guidelines.

Citywide Participation

Bureaus with outgoing grant programs are required to follow this new policy.

One Framework

Instead of bureau-specific programs, the City now has one standard grant cycle & process.

Required Reporting

The City requires grantees to report on specific grant standards and outcomes, as applicable.

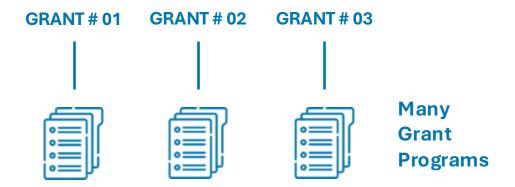
Software System

Codify the use of a centralized software to track grantees and grant measures and standards

Current

VS.

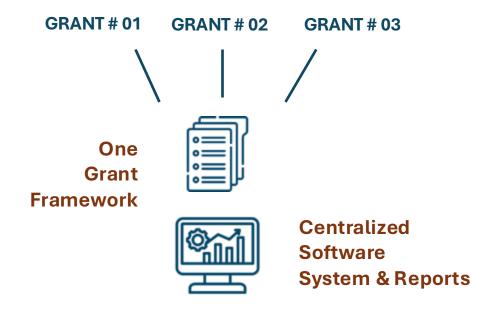
Future



No Citywide Software System

Applicants experience different processes based on the bureau managing the grant program

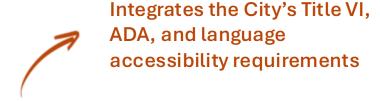




Applicants experience a similar process & city systems across all grants



Grant Framework





Applicants experience a similar processes, expectations & systems throughout the grant cycle

Community Grants Reporting Guidance

Data standards & grant milestones are entered into the citywide software system



Tools

The Grants Management
Division (GMD) and Smart
City PDX will develop tools
and guidances that will assist
grant makers from each
Service Area in
understanding the new
policies and reporting
requirements

Training

After the tools and resources are developed, GMD will develop an onboarding process to train the City's grant makers and applicable City staff and leadership

Software

GMD will partner with Smart City PDX to expand the use of the existing grant software, incorporate the new data standards and requirements and develop a grant reporting dashboard.

Questions?

