

Hoosier Solutions... Today's Grants, Tomorrow's Results

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Purpose: to provide an introduction to eCivis.



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NextLevel Grants Management:

an Office of Management and Budget (OMB)/ State Budget Agency (SBA)-driven initiative to improve how Indiana manages grants.

Agenda

- Why is grants management important?
- What is eCivis, and What does it mean for IDOE's subrecipients?
- What support resources are available?



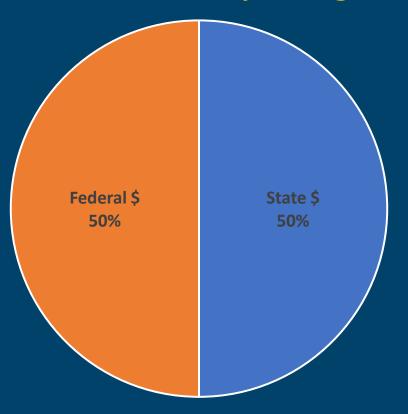
Why is federal grants management important?

- Hoosiers take pride in knowing that our fiscal leaders are intentional, deliberate, strategic, and disciplined about managing our \$44 billion biennial state budget.
- Hoosiers may be surprised to learn that federal funding accounts for roughly 50% of the dollars we spend in Indiana
 in any given year.
- Federal funding supports programming for government services Hoosiers expect, including education, roads, workforce development, environmental quality, parks and trails, and public safety.
- The federal funding Indiana receives touches millions of Hoosiers' lives, and we must be intentional, deliberate, strategic, and disciplined to effectively manage Indiana's share of federal dollars.



Why is improving federal grants management important?

Annual State Spending





Benefits of a State-Wide Grants System

More grants, more efficiently

- Better discovery of new grant opportunities
- Better planning: Uniting program staff and finance staff for a clear, collaborative approach
- O Better applications: Program staff will build applications within eCivis, ensuring all the key elements are included for a solid application

Federal and State Compliance

- O Standardized, guided tools help users at all experience levels stay on track & in compliance
- Mitigating turnover: whether new to the state or switching agencies, staff will have a consistent user experience and record retention to prevent loss of legacy knowledge

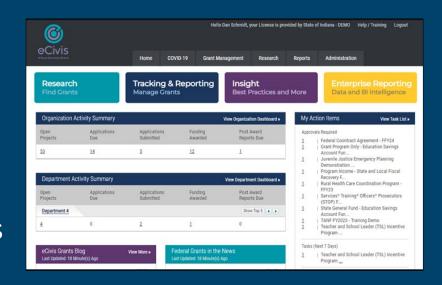
Streamlined grant life-cycle

- The SBA grant review, application, awards, and funding source creation are all in one place,
 streamlining the state review process for time, transparency, and accountability
- Reconciliation and monitoring: eCivis reporting tools allow the state to better track spending and monitor the life of our state and federal grants



What is eCivis, and what does it mean for IDOE?

- eCivis is Indiana's new state-wide grants management system that will track federal grants from application to close-out.
- All state agencies are required to use eCivis to manage state and federal grants.
- IDOE will use eCivis to obtain pursuance approvals and funding sources from SBA.
- IDOE will use eCivis to build solicitations, publish solicitations to applicants, review applications, issue award decisions, conduct subrecipient management, and perform grant close-out.



For more information, check out the Grants Management section of the SBA Website at:

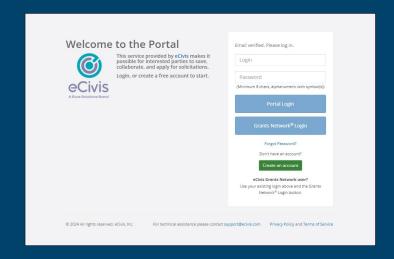
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What does eCivis mean for DOE's Subrecipients?

- DOE's applicants will access solicitations via the SBA website or a private link.
- Applications will be submitted electronically through the eCivis Grants Portal.
- Subrecipients will receive their award notice via eCivis.
- Subrecipients will use eCivis to submit activity reports, request reimbursement, and conduct grant close-out activities.



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How will eCivis change IDOE process?

Currently (not including Title I/SpEd)	eCivis (not including Title I/SpEd)
Receive allocation letter	Receive allocation letter
Pre-app as Word document	Pre-app as Word Document
 Budget application as Excel document submitted via JotForm 	 Budget application as Excel document submitted as attachment Budget figures (only) entered via eCivis budget
 Review by specialist with revisions conducted via e- mail 	 Review by specialists with revisions conducted via and/or e-mail
Approval letter sent by specialist via e-mail	Approval sent via eCivis
Reimbursement requests as PDF via e-mail	Reimbursement requests via eCivis



What supports are available for DOE's Subrecipients?

- Implementation and Background Information
- Training Materials
 - User Guides
 - Quick Reference Sheets
 - Videos
 - Monthly Office Hours
 - Hands-On Workshops
- Technical Assistance
 - SBA Grants Management Team
 - eCivis Customer Support Team



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Thank you!

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