# **Grant Basics**

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#### Order of presentation

- Introduction and acronyms
- Getting started
- Pro tips

Foundant (Online Grant Management System)

#### Acronyms

- IMLS-Institute of Museum and Library Services
- LSTA-Library Service and Technology Act
- MOSL-Missouri State Library

- CSLP-Collaborative Summer Library Program
- SPR-State Program Report
- LPPA-Large Purchase Price Analysis
- ICR-Indirect Cost Rate

### Getting Started

#### MOSL Grants Webpage

https://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/lstagrants

#### Know your community

- Community demographics
- Be involved

• Make the connection!

#### Know your library

Be available

Open door policy

#### Keep good data

- Track computer information
- Computer usage
- Attendances

- Participants
- Required surveys

https://www.sos.mo.gov/CMSImages/LibraryDevelop ment/2020SurveyGuidelines.docx

#### Alignment

 Show specifically how the needs of the organization match the goals of the grant.

Focus on people

## Pro Tips

#### Use the correct grant name

 SRP and SLP are two different grants with two different funding sources and are not interchangeable.

 Technology Mini Grant (=small grant) <u>not</u> Mini Technology Grant (=small technology).

#### Language

Use grammatically correct language in the third person.

- The application and reports should be written in a clear and concise manner
- The application and reports should articulate the goals or the accomplishments of the grant without needing insider information

#### Make sure your math is correct

 The MOSL provided spreadsheets are autocalculating. Don't change the Excel sheets to .pdf

 If you aren't required to use a spreadsheet, at least use a calculator.

#### Include required elements

 Work Authorization (E-Verify) proof is not optional for awards over \$5,000. If it does not appear on the OA DP website <u>not having either the renewal document</u> or the OA DP confirmation email with the grant application is an automatic denial.

Budget Spreadsheets.

#### Eligible items

Know what items are eligible and ineligible.
 Requesting ineligible items lowers the chance of attaining any grant.

 Eligible items and ineligible items are listed in the Award Guidance.

#### Indirect Cost Rate

- De Minimus Rate 10%
- Federal Negotiated Rate
- Not claimed

#### Large Purchase Price Analysis

- Required for purchases of single or aggregate like items at or over \$3,000
  - Bids

- State Contract
- Single feasible source
- Sole source
- Justification

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- IMLS Communications Kit:

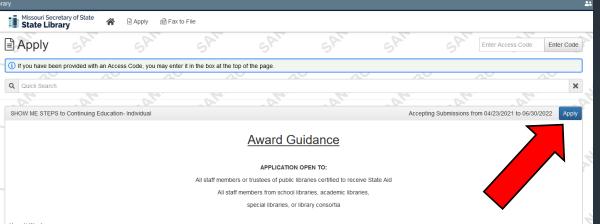
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#### Foundant

Online Grant Management System

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#### Applying



#### How It Works:

Is there an upcoming conference, workshops, seminar, or course you'd like to attend? If so, this grant can help get you there! The Show Me Steps to Continuing Education: Individual Training Events (SHMS) is a competitive grant program for Missouri library personnel to participate in training opportunities when local funds cannot cover the entire cost. <u>First-time applicants</u>. <u>unique</u>. <u>specialized training opportunities</u>. <u>applicants</u> who haven't received a SHMS grant in two or more years. and libraries that haven't received a SHMS grant within the last 12 months. <u>will receive priority</u>.

Show Me Steps grants are competitive and funding is not guaranteed. In addition to grant priorities, award decisions will be based on:

- Available funds
- Quality and completeness of the application
   Number of Show Me Steps awards received by the library in the prior 12 months, AND
- Benefit to the library and its patrons.
- A minimum local match of 25% is required. A higher local match may be required based on the above criteria as well as your library's budget, staff size, and/or financial need.
- <u>Eligible Activities</u>

Regional, state, and national workshops, pre-conferences, conferences, seminars or other development programs offered by professional associations or other appropriate entities.
 Single community college courses having direct application to the improvement of the applicant library's operations or service.

NOTE: Academic course work toward an undergraduate or graduate degree, on or off campus, is not eligible

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#### Applicant Dashboard

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### Managing your grants in Foundant

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#### Applications and Report Responses

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#### Open Grants

Summer Library Program (closes 12/1/21)

- Next Chapter Book Club Grant (closes 12/15/21)
- Educational Presenter Grant (open call)
- Digital Imaging Grant (closes 2/15/22)
- Library Automation Grant (inquire before applying)
- Show Me Steps to Continuing Education-Individual and Group (open call)

#### Questions

- What has your experience with LSTA grants been like?
- What suggestions would you have to improve LSTA grants in Missouri?
- Any other comments or questions?

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