

Important Announcement – Extended Grants.gov Downtime will Impact Federal Grant Proposal Submissions

[Grants.gov](#) will be migrating their services to the cloud and will be **unavailable** from Friday September 23, 2022 at 12:01 AM ET through Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 11:59 PM ET.

This means no System to System (S2S) proposals in Kuali Research can be submitted to sponsors between September 23 – 29, 2022.

READ DETAILS ON WHAT TO EXPECT

What Will Be Affected During this Time?

1. Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs)

- [Grants.gov](#): Cannot download or update FOAs, or related documents.

2. Application

- [Grants.gov](#), ASSIST: Cannot submit any applications.

3. Application status update

- [Grants.gov](#): Cannot retrieve status updates of any submitted applications. The application status will remain static from **September 22-29**.

How to Prepare?

- Determine submission plans with the Research Administration Office (RAO) for late September/early October **now**.
- Download sponsor guidelines **before September 23**.

- Review specific federal agency guidance related to your FOA and this outage **frequently**.
- If possible, we recommend you submit early for any opportunity that receives an extension to **October 3**. This will be the first major deadline after [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) moves to the cloud, and there is potential for technical issues to arise, placing your proposal at risk.

Important Notes

- BYU 5-day prior to submission deadline still applies.
 - Any submissions that are done via email, mail, or other online submissions (except ASSIST and Grants.gov Workspace) are not impacted.
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To mitigate the impact, [NIH](#) **due dates that fall on or between Thursday, September 22 and Friday, September 30, 2022 will move to October 3, 2022**, with the following caveats and considerations:

- The end of the application receipt period for applications submitted under the **Continuous Submission policy** for the September 7, 2022 AIDS due date remains Saturday, October 1, 2022 but automatically moves forward to Monday, October 3 since it falls on a weekend.
- The two-week window of consideration associated with the **NIH Late Application Policy** (when applicable) will be calculated from the original due dates.
- The two-day **application viewing window** in eRA Commons will continue to function as normal for applications successfully submitted through Grants.gov.
 - If a corrective submission is needed within the application viewing window and while Grants.gov is unavailable, **reject your application in eRA Commons** to prevent it from moving forward to NIH for processing and submit your changed/corrected application prior to the October 3 due date.

- If the application viewing window has passed, you can officially **Withdraw Your Application** and submit a changed/corrected application prior to the October 3 due date.
- **NOT-OD-22-190** serves as notification of the due date change for impacted funding opportunities (i.e., edits to due dates within the text of individual opportunities will NOT be made).
 - If you experience any issues with your submission following Grants.gov's return to service, please contact the **eRA Service Desk** for assistance.

Additional steps you can take to minimize impact:

- Check with the Research Administration Office to understand any shifts in internal deadlines and processes.
- Use the **NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts** to search for and access opportunities, while Grants.gov Search is unavailable.
- Continue preparing your application.
 - ASSIST and some system-to-system solutions allow application initiation and preparation even when Grants.gov is offline.
 - Work on your application attachments and pull together all needed materials so you are ready to input your information as soon as Grants.gov returns to service.
 - The Application Form Instructions on the **How To Apply – Application Guide** page and our **Annotated Form Sets** include images of each form that can be used for reference.

CONTACT YOUR SPONSORED PROJECTS RESEARCH ADMINISTRATOR WITH QUESTIONS.