

Saltonstall-Kennedy Application Checklist

Did I submit a pre-proposal?

Full proposals will not be reviewed or evaluated if a pre-proposal was not received and ranked.

☐ Am I eligible?

You are eligible to apply under the Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Program if:

1. You are a citizen or national of the United States;
2. You represent an entity that is a corporation, partnership, association, or other non-Federal entity, non-profit or otherwise (including Indian tribes), if such entity is a citizen of the United States within the meaning of section 2 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended (46 U.S.C. app. 802).;
3. You are a citizen of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, or the Federated States of Micronesia.

If your answer is “yes” to any of the above, you are eligible and can continue.

☐ Find the Saltonstall-Kennedy grant opportunity on www.Grants.gov

The FY24 SK Grant Funding Opportunity # is **NOAA-NMFS-FHQ-2024-200800**

☐ Click on “Package” tab then for competition ID 3162454 click “Apply” for the PRE PROPOSALS FY24 Saltonstall-Kennedy competition in the actions column then download and submit a pre-proposal (due 60 days after the posting date of the NOFO on the grants.gov website)

☐ You should receive a confirmation from www.grants.gov letting you know that you successfully submitted your pre-proposal package.

☐ You will receive a letter from the S-K Program between within 60 days of the pre-proposal due date letting you know if NOAA encourages the submission of a full proposal.

Should you chose to submit a full proposal after the pre-proposal process:

☐ Return to the NOFO **NOAA-NMFS-FHQ-2024-200800** at www.grants.gov. Once you click on the “Package” tab for the FULL Proposals FY24 Saltonstall Kennedy competition ID 3162453 “Apply” in the actions column then download and submit a full proposal (due 180 days after the posting date of the NOFO on the grants.gov website)

NOTE: You must register at www.grants.gov before you are able to submit either a pre-proposal or full proposal.

☐ Complete the registration process in Grants.gov

You will register as either an Individual or an Organization.

Individual:

An individual is an applicant who submits grant applications on their own behalf, not representing an organization, institution or government.

The first step in submitting an application online is to complete a one- time registration process. Individuals wishing to submit a grant application, using Grants.gov, are required to complete this one-time registration process. Neither a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) nor the System for Award Management (SAM) registration is necessary for Individual Registration.

Organization:

STEP 1: System for Award Management (SAM) – All Applicant Organizations (optional for Individual Applicants) must complete and maintain an active registration. New registrations take an average of fourteen (14) business days. The renewal process may require as much time as the initial registration. SAM registration includes the assignment of a Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Code for domestic organizations which have not already been assigned a CAGE Code. To register, go to: <http://www.SAM.gov>.

STEP 2: Grants.gov Username & Password

Same day. Complete your AOR (Authorized Organization Representative) profile on Grants.gov and create your username and password.

STEP 3: AOR Authorization

*Same day. The E-Business Point of Contact (E-Biz POC) at your organization must login to Grants.gov to confirm you as an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR). Please note that there can be more than one AOR for your organization. In some cases the E-Biz POC is also the AOR for an organization.

NOTE: Registration takes approximately 3-5 business days; but allow 4 weeks to complete all steps.

☐ Complete and Submit the Application Package

What to Expect After Submitting an Application

When submitting a grant application package to Grants.gov, you will receive a confirmation screen as well as up to four emails from Grants.gov.

Submission Confirmation Screen

After you submit your grant application package, a confirmation screen will appear on your computer screen. This screen confirms that you have submitted an application to Grants.gov. This page also

contains a tracking number for use while tracking the status of the submission as well as a "Track My Application" link, to use to see the progress of your submission.

Submission Receipt Email (with "Track My Application" link)

Within two business days after your application package has been received by the Grants.gov system, you will receive a submission receipt email which indicates that your submission has entered the Grants.gov system and is ready for validation.

This email also contains a tracking number for use while tracking the status of the submission as well as a "Track My Application" link, to use to see the progress of your submission

Submission Validation (or Rejection with Errors)

After you receive the submission receipt email, the next email you will receive will be a message validating or rejecting your submitted application package with errors. The Grants.gov system is designed to check for technical errors within the submitted application package. Grants.gov does not review application content for award determination.