

Microsoft Grants Manager Plus Solution

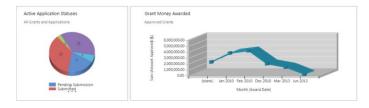
The Microsoft Grants Manager Plus accelerator provides grantors with a flexible solution to manage, track and report on grant processes, from initial solicitation through review, scoring, award, payment processing and post-award reporting. Grants Manager Plus is built on a fully integrated platform to provide a simplified and cost effective alternative to the complex and costly multi-product and development approach.

Microsoft Grants Manager Plus-Grant Tracking and Management Tools for Grantors

The Grants Manager Plus accelerator is a customizable solution designed to be tailored to your grant processes. Grants Manager Plus integrates with legacy applications, allows applicants to apply online, gives grantors instant access to where every grant is in the process, and facilitates management of funding and payment authorizations.

You can use the Grants Manager Plus accelerator to:

- Automate grants management to simplify processes and reduce errors and delays.
- Customize workflows to efficiently assign and track tasks and responsibilities.
- Manage grantee's organizational information.
- Manage grantor's reviewer and award information.
- Manage funding and payment authorizations
- Provide financial summary information at Grant/Application and Program levels.
- Generate ad-hoc reports and dashboards to streamline operational and strategic communications.



Integration with Microsoft Dynamics AX

Most grant management solutions require integration with a financial management system. Grants Manager Plus includes integration with Microsoft Dynamics AX to offer a more complete solution for the entire grant lifecycle.

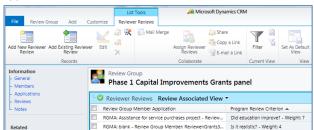
Integration between Microsoft Dynamics CRM and Microsoft Dynamics AX allows authorization of funding sources and processing of payment requests from Grants Manager Plus.

Manage Grant Applicants

With Grants Manager Plus, you can maintain a rich set of data about each grantee, including multiple address types and points of contact and a history of programs for which they have applied in the past. This helps you analyze grantees and detect impact trends through business intelligence techniques.

Manage Grant Reviewers

Grants Manager Plus delivers advanced functionality to identify and audit reviewers and track the entire lifecycle of the review process, including unassigned applications.



You get an easy way to automate the review process, including grouping reviewers and creating a web site that reviewers can use to submit review scores based on a flexible, program-driven set of criteria.

Manage Awards

Grants Manager Plus helps you manage and phase-out funds for a grant after it has been awarded. You can administer and monitor payments and deliverables over multiple years to ensure the grantee is meeting all of their reporting and other stated obligations.

Manage Proposals

Grants Manager Plus provides a proposal management module to help you manage proposals, team members, vendors and contacts. All information on new, approved and rejected proposals is maintained and categorized for easy reviewing and auditing.

Flexible Reporting

Creating custom reports for different users can be time consuming. Grants Manager Plus empowers users to easily build new custom reports using Microsoft SQL Server Reporting Services. Outlook email integration is also included for many functions, such as applicant notifications and correspondence.

Wizard-Driven Framework

The Grants Manager Plus accelerator utilizes a state of the art wizard approach to help you simplify and streamline the sequencing and auditing tasks needed to support the grant management and workflow process. A Review Group Wizard, a Project Scoring Wizard and an Award Wizard are provided right out of the box. Each wizard walks you through the sequential and interdependent steps needed to finish the task.



External Interfaces

Grantor agencies can increase transparency and enhance communication by publishing information to grant applicants and other constituents. Grants Manager Plus supports open standards, such as XML and web services, so you can integrate the solution to interact with existing accounting systems and servers. Grants Manager Plus supports pre-built and ad-hoc federal reporting such as FFATA-FSRS, 1512, and 425.

Workflow Automation

Workflow in Grants Manager Plus helps you automate both simple and complex processes with notification to all participants. The comprehensive log of activities tracked in workflows helps you establish accountability in accordance with your agency guidelines.

Security and workflow

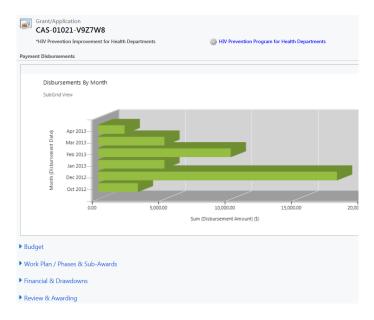
To help you ensure data security and privacy, the solution accelerator offers a rich and granular security model, integrated with Microsoft Active Directory.

Works with popular Microsoft products

Grants Manager Plus works seamlessly with popular tools including: Outlook®, Word, Excel®, and SharePoint. Office SharePoint Server is often used for document management and collaboration integration.

Store Data and Metrics

Grantors can improve efficiency and business rules by utilizing the historical and operational data stored in the system. Full exploration and analysis of data combined with related KPIs and metrics provides a broader view of a program's success and impact.



Grants Manager Plus Benefits

Comprehensive grant management accelerator. Provides grantors with a solution accelerator to manage, track and report on all major aspects of the grant processes, including:

- Advanced budget setup and management
- Support for budget categories, forecasted cash needs etc.
- Federal data tracking
- Support for grant amendments
- Support for grant closeout process
- Payment request / disbursement management

Extensible platform using well known development tools. You can tailor the solution accelerator to meet specific and changing requirements. Because it is based on the Microsoft development platform, you can be sure of wide technical support from a large software development community.

Easy to adopt and learn. By taking advantage of the excellent usability and familiar interface of Microsoft products, you can drive user adoption quickly and support the solution more easily because users don't have to learn new software.

Geospatial capabilities. With Grants Manager Plus you can map data points to communicate geographic information and data trends at a glance.

For more information

For more information about streamlining your grants management, visit: http://www.microsoft.com/grants