

# Public Service Commission Grant System

Project Overview & Submitting Reimbursements

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### Overview



#### **Grants System Login**: <a href="https://apps.psc.wi.gov/apps/grants/">https://apps.psc.wi.gov/apps/grants/</a>

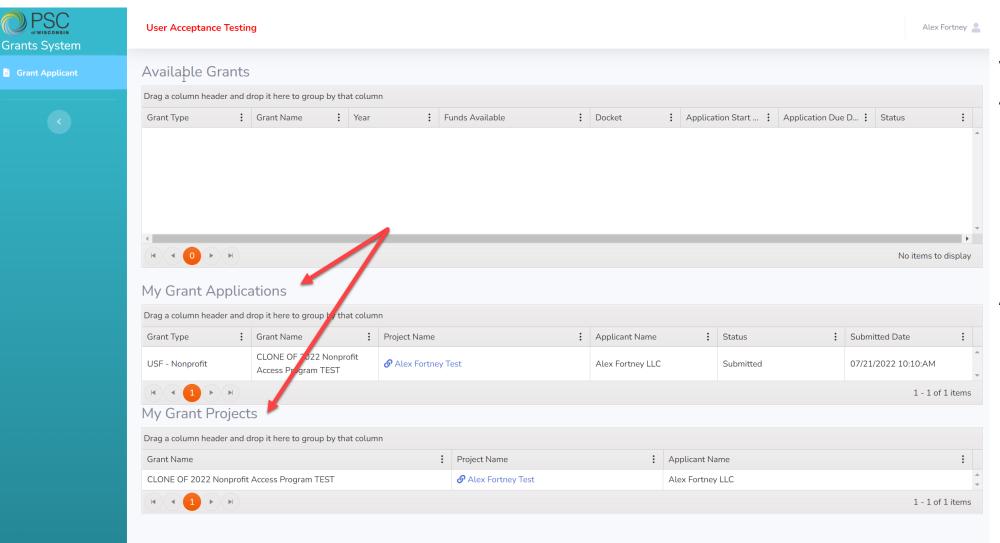
- The PSC Grants System is an online portal where entities can apply for and manage grants offered by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.
- This webinar is intended for entities that have been awarded a PSC grant, and will cover:
  - Managing projects in the grants system
  - Submitting reimbursement requests
- If you're looking for info on creating an account to apply for PSC grants, please view the resources available <a href="here">here</a>.



# Grant System Home Page



### https://apps.psc.wi.gov/apps/grants



View & Apply for Available PSC Grants

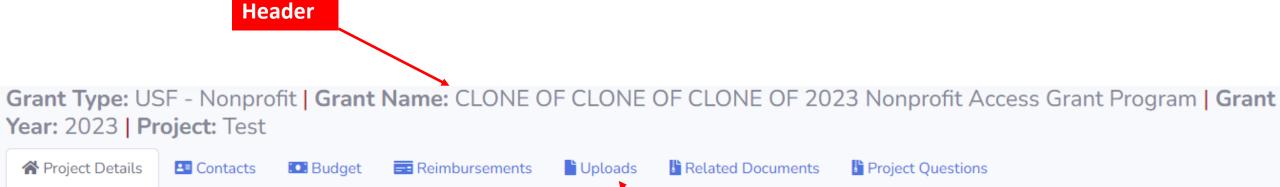
Manage Current Grant Applications

**Manage Awarded Grants** 



# Project Overview





**Navigation Tabs** 

### Project header is visible on all pages

- Primarily for PSC tracking
- Provides identifying info

### Pages organized as tabs

- 1. Project Details
- 2. Contacts
- 3. Budget
- 4. Reimbursements
- 5. Uploads
- 6. Related Documents
- 7. Project Questions

## Project Overview - Grant Project Details



#### **Grant Project Details**

Grant ID \* 43

**Grant Name** CLONE OF CLONE OF CLONE OF 2023 Nonprofit Access Grant Program

Yes

1234567890

Docket ID 5-NF-2022

Application ID \* 435

Contract Number STAR PO Number

**Grant Project ID \*** 113 Project Name \* Test Project Description \* Test

Grant Award Amount \$500,000,00 Contribution Amount \$500,000.00

**Total Project Cost** \$1,000,000.00

06/01/2023 Project Start Date \* Project End Date \* 07/31/2023

Reporting Frequency Quarterly

Final Report Required Override Payment Cap Rule No

Withdrawn No

Closeout Date

#### **Applicant Detail**

Applicant Legal Name \* Test Applicant DBA Name Test Applicant Address \* Test Applicant City \* Madison Applicant State \* WI 53073 Applicant Zip \*

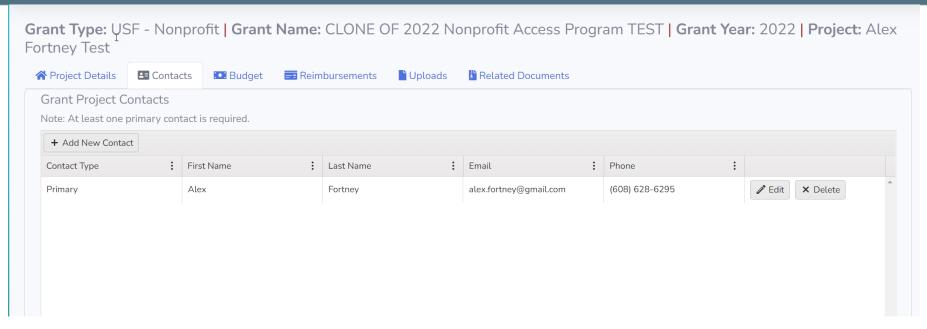
Applicant Phone \* Applicant Phone Ext.

Applicant Email \* test@test.com Applicant FEIN 123456789



# Project Overview - Contacts Page





#### **Contacts**

- Existing contacts are pulled from the application
- Grantee should add/remove contacts as needed
- Being listed in the contacts does not provide access to the system

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### Authorized Users

- These are the individuals with access to the project in the system.
- Are not listed in the contacts.
- Each authorized user must create their own login for the grants system.
- Users can be added to a project by your Grant Specialist



# Project Overview – Budget Page



Budget Item	Award Amount	Pending	Approved	Available	
Grant Funds Requested				4	
Contractual, Consultant fees	\$50,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	
Equipment - Non- Telecommunications	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	
Equipment - Telecommunications	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	
Labor (Salary, Fringe)	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	
Other	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
Rent / Occupancy	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
Supplies	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
Telecommunications Service	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
Training	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
Subtotals:	\$500,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$490,000.00	
Match					
Contractual, Consultant fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Equipment - Non- Telecommunications	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Equipment - Telecommunications	\$400,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400,000.00	
Labor (Salary, Fringe)	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Rent / Occupancy	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Telecommunications Service	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Training	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Subtotals:	\$500,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500,000.00	

#### **Columns**

#### **Award Amount:**

Always shows the original total.

#### Pending:

 amounts that you've submitted for reimbursement that have yet to be approved.

#### Approved:

 running total of all the expenses that have been approved.

#### Available:

 shows available balances for each category (award amount minus approved & pending amounts).



# Project Overview – Budget



### **Options for Making Changes to your Budget**

### **Budget Adjustment**

- No formal paperwork required
- Allows costs to be moved between categories up to the allowed variance
- Variance is a percentage identified in your grant agreement (typically 10%).
- Must start by contacting your grant specialist

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### **Budget Amendment**

- Formal process requiring a document be signed by both parties
- Allows costs to be moved between categories beyond the allowed variance
- Must start by contacting your grant specialist

NOTE: You cannot increase your budget with either process. You can move funds between categories.



### Project Overview – Uploads



A Project Details	Contacts	<b>Budget</b>	Reimbursements	Uploads	Related Documents	Project Questions
Upload Docu	ments					
Upload Pub	ic Document	Upload Confider	ntial Document			
	e to upload grant sement page.	amendment requ	uests, status reports and	l other docume	ents here. Grant Reimburse	ment requests, including receipts and your grant workbook should be uploaded on

#### **Upload Public Document**

- Standard upload option if you want to add a document to your project
- Currently, documents in the grants system are not subject to ERF filing by default, and so are not viewable by the general public

#### **Upload Confidential Document**

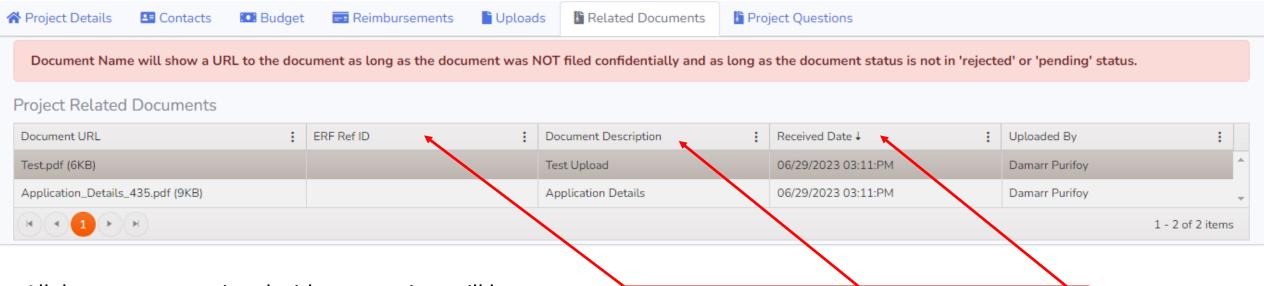
 Requires additional forms and multiple additional steps; contact your grant specialist if you feel you need to upload something to your project confidentially

- Individual file sizes are limited to 4MB
- You can include up to 10 files in a single upload
- Currently, only a pdf of your original application is filed from the Grants system to ERF
- Status reports for current grants must be filed through ERF. Your grant specialist will add status reports to your project in the grants system.
- Future grants may use the grants system for status reports & other documents. We will update you as changes are implemented.



### Project Overview - Related Documents





All documents associated with your project will be displayed here

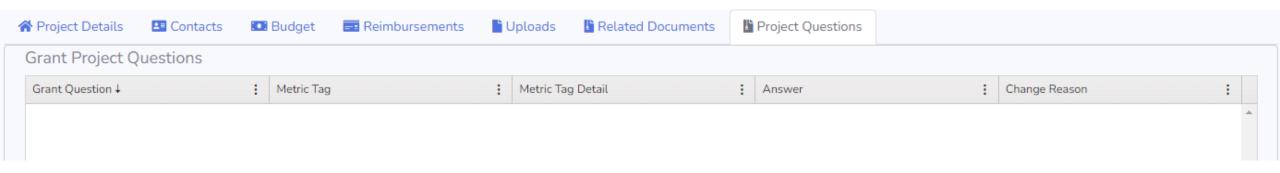
- Original application
- Grant Agreement
- Amendments
- Status Reports
- Any supporting documents you upload with your reimbursement request

Sort by column headers to locate a document



# Project Overview - Project Questions





#### Currently in development

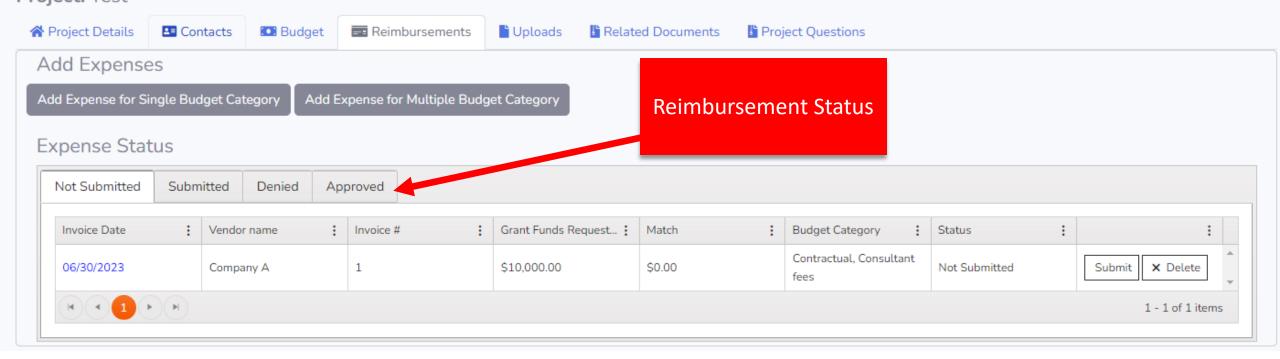
- Please reach out to your grant specialist directly with any questions.
- Will be used in the future as another channel of communication.



### Reimbursements



Grant Type: USF - Nonprofit | Grant Name: CLONE OF CLONE OF CLONE OF 2023 Nonprofit Access Grant Program | Grant Year: 2023 | Project: Test



#### Reimbursements are submitted in a two-step process

- 1. They must first be entered & saved in the system
- 2. After saving, the reimbursement can be submitted
  - Before submitting, you can go back and edit a reimbursement request
  - Don't forget to submit when ready

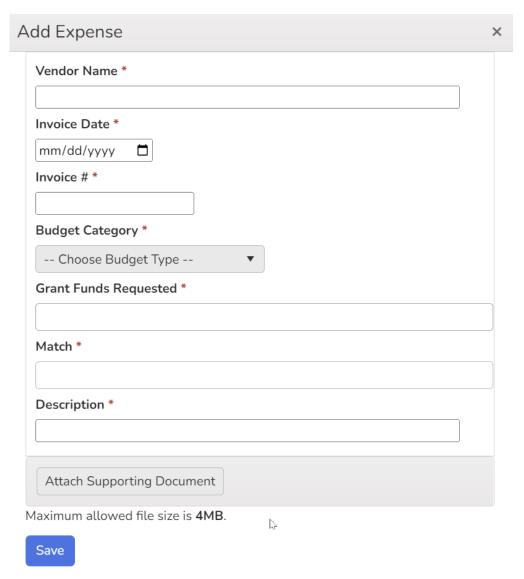


# Reimbursement – Single Budget Category



### Single expense category

- All fields required, '0' is a valid input
- Budget categories dropdown list
- Supporting document required
- Only 1 invoice per submission
- Only 1 document can be uploaded
- Invoice # should match the number on the uploaded document.
  - If there is no associated invoice number, enter numbers sequentially, with your first reimbursement request being Invoice # 1.



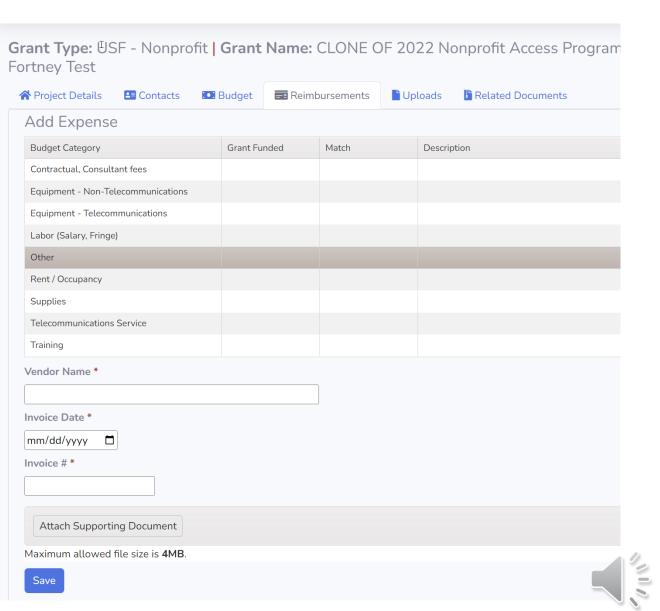


### Reimbursement – Multiple Budget Category



### Multiple Expense Category

- Can group multiple expenses
- All fields required, '0' is a valid input
- Budget categories listed
- Supporting documents required
- Only 1 invoice per submission
- Only 1 document can be uploaded
- Invoice # should match the number on the uploaded document.
  - If there is no associated invoice number, enter numbers sequentially, with your first reimbursement request being Invoice # 1.



# Reimbursement Approval Process





- You won't see a reimbursement in Approved status until it's been approved by Fiscal
  - This process may take several weeks
- After approval from Fiscal, payment will typically be issued 30 days from the date the reimbursement request was submitted.
  - The WI Department of Administration (DOA) does not issue payments sooner than 30 days from the date a reimbursement request is submitted. If approved more than 30 days after submission, DOA will issue payment immediately.



# Resources



Electronic Filing Records (ERF)	PSC Grants	Wisconsin Broadband Office
ERF Home ERF User Manual ERF Quick Reference Guide Corporate Account Maintenance ERF Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Document Type Definitions OCR ERF Instructions	All PSC Grant Programs Grant System Login Page Grant System User Guide	WBO Webpage Broadband Grants Broadband Map Governor's Task Force Digital Equity Internet for All State and Local Planning

