



Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Transition Frequently Asked Questions

Overview

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) provides a full listing of all federal programs available to state and local governments (including the District of Columbia); federally-recognized Indian tribal governments; Territories (and possessions) of the United States; domestic public, quasi- public, and private profit and nonprofit organizations and institutions; specialized groups; and individuals.

When will CFDA retire?

All CFDA features will be available on beta.SAM.gov as of May 25, 2018.

Why is CFDA going away?

CFDA is being consolidated with nine other sites to streamline the federal government awards process, reducing the burden of doing business with the government. The integrated website will simplify daily tasks and increase business knowledge by providing one powerful search tool, one robust reporting tool, and one workspace for managing your work.

How does this transition affect me?

The goal of integrating and migrating systems is to reduce burden on users and stakeholders. When we migrated over the functions of CFDA, we made significant improvements. In the case of CFDA, we:

- Improved the overall search engine and keyword search
- Enhanced the search summary, now provided directly in the search results
- Enabled advanced search filtering, enabling search by “active only” or by department/agency, among others
- Created a funded/not funded indicator that allows users to quickly identify funded listings
- Made it easier to read the financial information section with a bar graph and table
- Improved the history section
- Added links to respective opportunities on Grants.gov

Users can get information and guidance about the new assistance listings functions by visiting the Learning Center on beta.SAM.gov.

What will happen after CFDA.gov is retired?

CFDA users will be redirected to beta.SAM.gov, which is now the authoritative site for assistance listings.

When do I need to start using the new site?

Users must start using beta.SAM.gov when CFDA has retired/decommissioned. Users can go to beta.SAM.gov now to try out search for assistance listings.

Can I still access data in CFDA.gov?

After the transition, users will no longer be able to access the site. Anyone who goes to CFDA.gov after the date of retirement will be redirected to beta.SAM.gov. All the CFDA data is now accessible as Assistance Listings on beta.SAM.gov. Simply go to beta.SAM.gov and use the drop-down menu to search Assistance Listings.

What other websites are moving to beta.SAM.gov?

CFDA.gov is the first of the 10 federal award systems to migrate to beta.SAM.gov. The remaining nine systems to migrate to beta.SAM.gov are:

- Wage Determinations OnLine (WDOL.gov)
- Federal Business Opportunities (FBO.gov)
- System for Award Management (SAM.gov)
- Federal Procurement Data System - Next Generation (FPDS.gov)
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System (FSRS.gov)
- Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS.gov)
- Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity and Information System (FAPIIS.gov)
- Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS.gov)
- Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS.gov)

What is the timeline for transitioning the other websites?

To learn more about what's happening to these systems, visit the Learning Center on beta.SAM.gov and view our decommissioning timeline.



Additional Information?

For the latest updates, subscribe to the IAE Interact Blog and look at the What's Next section located in the online learning center on beta.SAM.gov.