



Federal Funds Update Call

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Presentation (15 minutes)

1. Introduction: Team & Purpose
2. Updates: Disruptions, NOFOs, EOs and Guidance
3. Topic Area Spotlight: Non-federal funding sources: Grants Management and MCF

Questions and Group Discussion (15 minutes)

Team Intro & Overview

Mission: Partner with Minnesota entities to access and deploy federal funds to accelerate state goals.



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Our Focus Areas

1. Monitor the federal landscape
2. Build & coordinate federal funding strategy
3. Monitor and evaluate federal funds deployment
4. Curate, develop & share federal funding technical assistance

Purpose of this call

While we can't provide clarity right now, we can:

- Share information to facilitate risk analyses
 - Tracking reimbursement blockages
 - Tracking cancellations
 - Tracking NOFOs
 - Tracking guidance and EOs
- Provide a space for others to share information and strategies
- Build a support network of people working through similar problems

Federal Developments

- The U.S. DOT issued a [memo](#) to state DOTs that threatened to withhold federal funding if state DOTs do not adhere to the administration's DEI guidance or cooperate with immigration authorities
- A [court](#) found an executive order that directed withholding funds from sanctuary cities unconstitutional
- [Auto tariffs reduced](#)
- NSF joins NIH and DOE in reducing [indirect costs to 15%](#). Suit filed by a collection of universities.
- The President released a budget proposal with [\\$163B in proposed cuts](#)
- Reconciliation hearings are happening (2025 bill)—future of direct pay [being discussed](#)

Federal Funding Disruptions Tracking

By Tuesday, 5/13 there will be **three** tracking documents available on the [MMB website](#):

- Temporary Disruptions, Permanent Cancellations, and **Court Ordered Reversals**, updated every weekday ~4pm CT

Data and Reporting

Federal Funding Disruptions

The Federal Funds Implementation Team is monitoring changes in the federal landscape that impact funding in Minnesota. The tracking documents below contain information on temporarily disrupted and permanently cancelled federal grants at Minnesota state agencies. The disruptions and cancellations are funds that flow through state government entities and do not reflect the totality of disrupted funds across Minnesota. The tracking documents are updated **every weekday** and are intended for informational use.

Temporary Disruptions



Total Funds At Risk: \$55,989,150

This tracking document contains a list of active federal funding disruptions reported by state agencies.

Permanent Cancellations



Total Funds Cancelled: \$296,455,163

This tracking document contains a list of all cancelled federal funds reported by state agencies.

NOFO's of note since April 24th, 2025

Trends

- [Minnesota Forward Pooled Fund](#) is open for applications; deadline is 5/22/25 at 4pm
- [RAISE](#) fund for UMN researchers impacted by federal cuts; active through 6/30/25
- No new IJA or IRA NOFOs announced

New/Updated Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs)	Category	Award Ceiling	Deadline
Workforce Data Quality Initiative - WDQI Round 10	Workforce	\$2,500,000	5/27/25
Preservation and Access Education and Training	Humanities	\$350,000	6/17/25
Tribal Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (Tribal HUD-VASH) Expansion - Revised	Housing	\$300,000	8/15/25

Non-Federal Funding Sources: State and Philanthropy

Naomi Munzner (Office of Grants Management)
Katina Mortensen (Minnesota Council on Foundations)

Minnesota Grant Seeking Resource

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Welcome to MN Grants!

This website provides a single entry point to State of Minnesota grant opportunities.

Grant seekers can search for grant opportunities by state agency or by subject area by following the appropriate link. Please read grant announcements carefully as some state grant opportunities are only open to certain types of organizations, such as units of government.

Grant managers: information about managing state grants, including the appropriate use of state grant funds, can be found at the Office of Grants Management web site: <http://mn.gov/admin/government/grants/>

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Overview of Philanthropic Funding Landscape

Minnesota Council on Foundations

May 8, 2025



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Scope of Minnesota's Philanthropic Sector

[2022 Giving in Minnesota Report](#) Highlights:

- \$3.4 billion in institutional giving (\$5.25 in individual giving!)
- 52.6% stays in Minnesota (83% Twin Cities metro; 17% Greater Minnesota)
- Human services, education, & health are largest giving areas





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Where to Learn about Foundations & Grant Opportunities

[MCF Giving in Minnesota Report](#)

[Impala](#)

[MCN Minnesota Grant Directory](#)

[MCN Minnesota Grant Alerts newsletter](#)

Supplemental Info

AI screening for words and themes

- Analysis has shown that words associated with themes in issued executive orders and federal agency guidance are being removed or replaced on federal websites.
- Federal agencies may be conducting AI screening for these or similar words in federal grant applications and reporting.
- Applications and reports that omit these words or themes may not trigger additional review.

The New York Times			
accessible	discriminated	inclusive	privilege
activism	discrimination	inclusive leadership	privileges
activists	discriminatory	inclusiveness	promote diversity
advocacy	disparity	inclusivity	promoting diversity
advocate	diverse	increase diversity	pronoun
advocates	diverse backgrounds	increase the diversity	pronouns
affirming care	diverse communities	indigenous community	prostitute
all-inclusive	diverse community	inequalities	race
allyship	diverse group	inequality	race and ethnicity
anti-racism	diverse groups	inequitable	racial
antiracist	diversified	inequities	racial diversity
assigned at birth	diversify	inequity	racial identity
assigned female at birth	diversifying	injustice	racial inequality
assigned male at birth	diversity	institutional	racial justice
at risk	enhance the diversity	intersectional	racially
barrier	enhancing diversity	intersectionality	racism
barriers	environmental quality	key groups	segregation
belong	equal opportunity	key people	sense of belonging
bias	equality	key populations	sex
biased	equitable	Latinx	sexual preferences
biased toward	equitableness	LGBT	sexuality
biases	equity	LGBTQ	social justice

A Note on Recent Guidance

Example Guidance: Department of Labor. *“Starting on March 17, 2025, grant recipients are required to submit a justification with each payment request submitted to PMS.”*

Reminders/Best Practices

- Grants with signed agreements appear to be somewhat stable for the time being
- Some grants may be terminated for convenience—check terms and conditions
 - **The standard terms and conditions are being amended by EPA to make grants easier to cancel for convenience**
 - Stay consistent with terms and conditions
- Get any directives in writing
- Know that calls may be recorded
 - **Folks from the federal government – and potentially DOGE in particular – are joining meetings.**
- Reporting and funding applications: anticipate use of AI screening for key words.
- Court cases continue: **Covid and FEMA fund cancellations were blocked; reductions in force blocked, then unblocked.**