

# **Free Federal Funding Technical Assistance**

Minnesota's Federal Funds Implementation Team (FFIT) offers technical assistance to help maximize federal funding receipts in the State of Minnesota and to help federal funding recipients effectively and responsibly manage their federal funds. You can apply for any of these services by filling out the <u>Service Request Form</u> on FFIT's website.

## Who is eligible?

Technical assistance is available for state agencies, local units of government, Tribal nations, nonprofits, and businesses that operate in the State of Minnesota and that serve Minnesota residents.

#### How much does it cost?

FFIT's taxpayer-supported services are free.

### What kinds of assistance are available?

### **Group Trainings**

FFIT staff are available to give federal funds 101 trainings for your organization or convening if/as needed. They can also provide more focused trainings on grant readiness best practices or federal award management. Depending on your organization's or convening's needs and on the training topic(s), trainings can be designed for 15- to 60-minute time blocks. Email FFIT at <a href="federal.investments.mmb@state.mn.us">federal.investments.mmb@state.mn.us</a> to schedule a session.

#### One-on-One Assistance

- <u>Federal Grant Readiness</u>: FFIT can guide you through baseline readiness assessments, funding strategy development, and train your staff how to navigate federal databases and structures.
- <u>Federal Pre-Award Development</u>: FFIT can support research on potential funding opportunities that fit your organization's needs (filling funding gaps, conducting planning, etc.), help assess your organization's eligibility for specific funding opportunities, and review application components. FFIT cannot act as a grant writer or submit applications on behalf of organizations.
- <u>Federal Award Management Best Practices</u>: FFIT can help your organization establish procedures that comply with communication, documentation, reporting and other grant management practices based on your specific terms and conditions and on federal guidance. FFIT cannot provide legal advice.