

type of entity below)” to “Unrestricted (i.e., open to any type of entity below), subject to any clarification in the text field entitled ‘Additional information on eligibility’.” We did not otherwise revise the proposed categories to provide greater specificity, which appropriately is found in the full announcement.

Comment: Three commenters recommended changes to the data element entitled “cost-sharing requirement.” One commenter suggested that non-profit organizations may be confused by the term “cost sharing” and that the term “local match” would be better. The second commenter asked that the level of cost sharing be included if cost sharing applies. The third commenter offered that the field should be expanded to include the type of cost-sharing.

Response: In response to the first comment, we expanded the term “cost sharing requirement” to “cost sharing or matching requirement,” terminology currently used in OMB Circulars A-102 and A-110, the circulars containing the government-wide guidance on this subject for awards to States, local and tribal governments, institutions of higher education, and other nonprofit organizations. We similarly changed the title of the cost sharing section in the format for the full announcement of the

funding opportunity (see the **Federal Register** notice accompanying this one)—we expect that each program office, in the full text of that section, will use the term that conforms best with what is predominately used by their communities of potential applicants.

We did not expand this Grants.gov FIND data element to address the level or type of cost sharing. It is not essential that people have those details before deciding whether to review the full announcement. Moreover, as indicated in a response to a previous comment, additional information in a Grants.gov FIND data element necessarily is less detailed than an explanation in a full announcement and therefore could mislead potential applicants.

Comment: One commenter asked that we clarify that the “due date for applications” data element includes due dates for letters of intent or pre-proposals.

Response: Agree. We changed the description of this element to state that the pre-application due date must be provided if a pre-application is required in order to submit an application.

Comment: One commenter asked why the description of the data element “Date of Grants.gov FIND posting” said that an agency might post a synopsis to Grants.gov FIND after **Federal Register**

publication of the full announcement. The commenter suggested that it would be in the spirit of Grants.gov FIND to have the synopsis posted there as soon as available.

Response: No change. Ideally, one could post a Grants.gov FIND synopsis simultaneously with issuing the full announcement (which could be in the electronic **Federal Register** or at an Internet site the agency selects), so that information in the Grants.gov FIND synopsis would let a user immediately find the announcement as soon as both are posted. However, perfect synchronization is not practical because one agency activates the synopsis and another usually issues the full announcement. The language in the proposal therefore recognizes that an agency might send the synopsis to Grants.gov FIND and ask that they build in a small delay before posting it, to ensure that the full announcement is available electronically as soon as the Grants.gov FIND synopsis appears. Doing so can avoid unnecessary frustration for Grants.gov FIND users, as well as trouble reports and questions to agency officials.

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Data element	Description	Is agency input required?
Federal agency user identification	User ID of Federal agency representative who is authorized to post information to the Grants.gov FIND site.	One entry required.
Federal agency user password	Password of Federal agency representative who is authorized to post information to the Grants.gov FIND site.	One entry required.
Announcement type	Type of announcement to which the synopsis relates: Initial announcement. Modification to previously issued announcement.	One entry required.
Funding opportunity title	The Federal agency's title for the funding opportunity (including program subcomponent names, as the agency deems appropriate).	One entry required.
Funding opportunity number	The number, if any, that the Federal agency assigns to its announcement. For a modification of a previously issued announcement, use the funding opportunity number of that earlier announcement.	Optional for initial announcement if you give no number, Grants.gov FIND will assign one. Agency input is required for modification.
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number(s).	Number(s) of the CFDA listing(s) for program(s) included in the announcement (e.g., 12.300).	At least one entry required (may list more than one) if the Federal agency is subject to the requirement in 31 U.S.C. chapter 61 to report to the CFDA. Federal agencies that have programs that are not domestic assistance, and therefore are not listed in the CFDA, may arrange with Grants.gov FIND to insert an alternative number that will allow listing of the funding opportunity.
Federal agency name	Name of the Federal organization responsible for the announcement, including agency name and, as applicable, specific subcomponent (e.g., department, bureau, directorate, or division).	Optional. If you give no office name, Grants.gov FIND will insert the office name you gave when you initially registered and got your user ID and password.