

Closeout: What OVC Anti-Trafficking Grantees Need to Know

The webinar will begin shortly.

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WEBINAR OUTLINE

Welcome

- Welcome
- Objectives
- Housekeeping

Just Grants Overview

- Closeout Module
- Closeout
 Submission
- Closeout Requirements
- Uploading Deliverables

Performance Management Tips

- Final Report Requirements
- Two Step Final Report Submission
- Narrative Responses

Financial Compliance Tips

- Financial Reminders, FFR, Financial Reconciliation
- Match Requirement
- Retention of Documents and Due Dates

Q&A Session

 Facilitated by HTD





Just Grants Overview



Discussion Topics

Closeout Requirements: Who, When, Why & What

Closeout Submissions: Where & How

Summary: Points of Emphasis

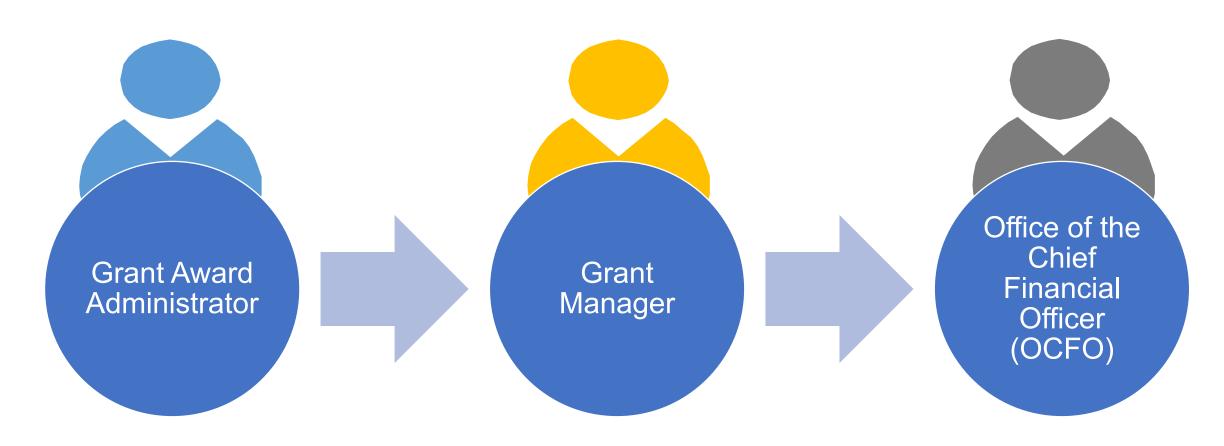
JustGrants Resources



Closeout Requirements



Closeout Requirements (Who)







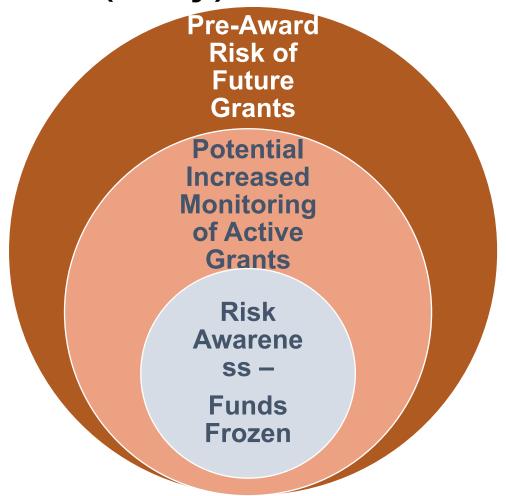
Closeout Timeframes (When)

120 days	150 days	210 days
after grant end date	after grant end date	after grant end date
Grant Manager works with recipient to submit all closeout documents and complete all closeout requirements.	The program office submits the approved closeout package to the OCFO Control Desk.	The OCFO Control Desk completes the financial review and the award closeout processes.





Non-Compliance (Why)







Five (6) Closeout Requirements (What)

Final Performance Report (PR)

Final Federal Financial Report (FFR)

Financial Reconciliation

Award Condition Compliance

Award Deliverables

Grant Award Modification *(if pending)



Closeout

When does a Closeout appear in the worklist?

A Closeout will appear in the assigned GAA's worklist one day after the project period due date.

Why can't I view the financial reconciliation?

A final FFR needs to be submitted and have a resolvedcompleted status to view the financial reconciliation. You can still proceed with your closeout if the financial reconciliation has an incomplete status.

Can I submit a Closeout prior to the award project period end date?

Yes. Navigate to the Funded Award via the Awards tab and select the **Begin** button on the programmatic task line. Select the **Closeout** tab and then select the blue **Initiate Closeout Button**.

Closeouts are submitted by the Grant Award Administrator (GAA)



Closeout Submissions

Closeout Submission – (Where)



When processing a **Closeout** in JustGrants, you can immediately access:

- The application;
- FFRs (SF-425) associated with the award;
- Performance Reports associated with the award;
- Grant Award Modifications.

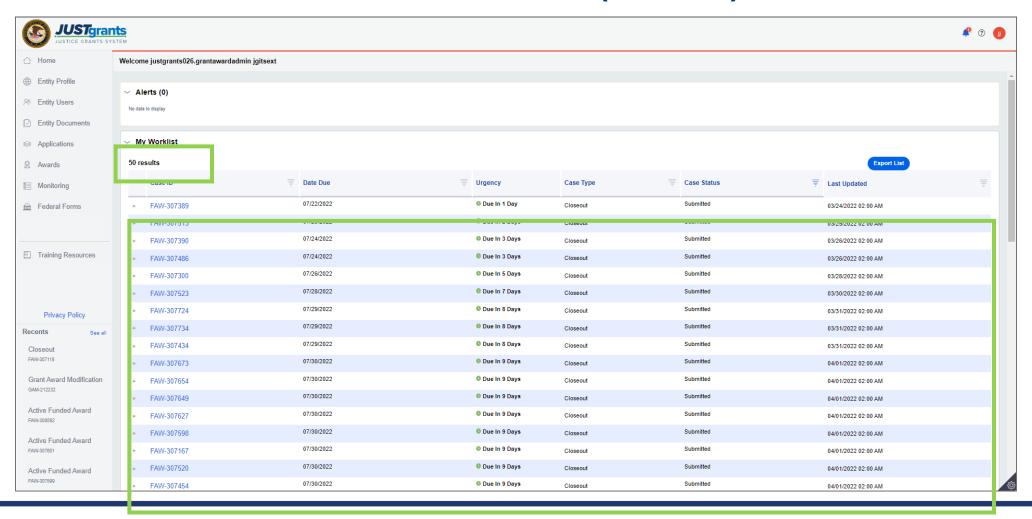
The **Grant Award Administrator** completes the **Closeout** by doing the following:

- Generate a Closeout prior to the award end date, if needed
- Review the requirements
- Submit the financial reconciliation from the *Closeout* screen
- Add comments
- Add attachments
- Submit the Closeout package
- Review Closeout cases specifically assigned to them

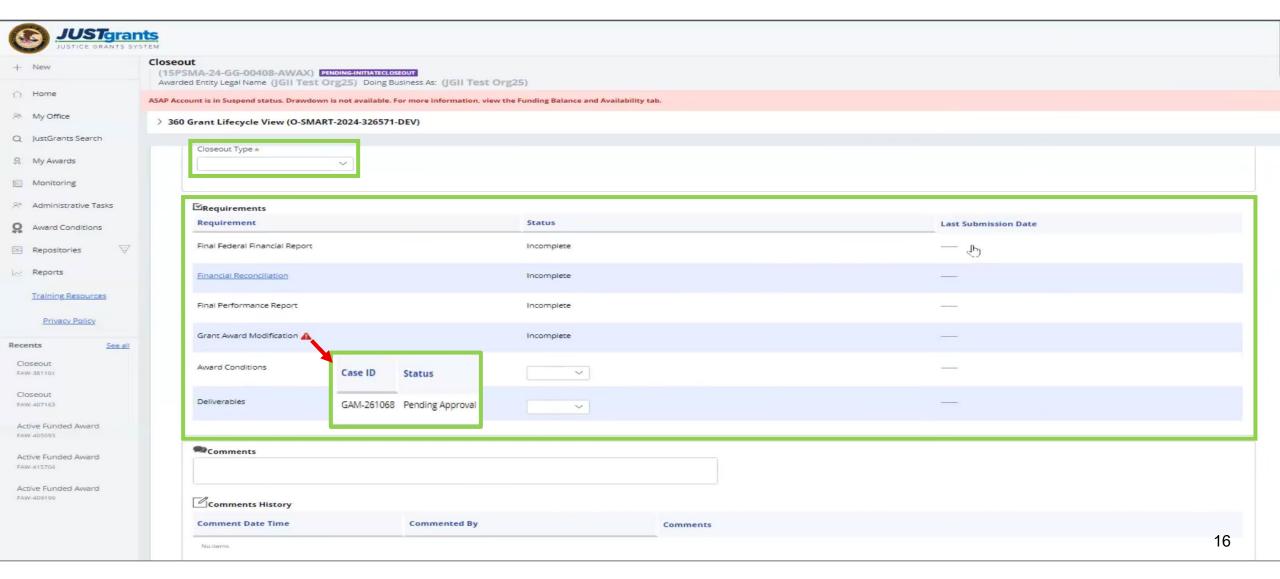


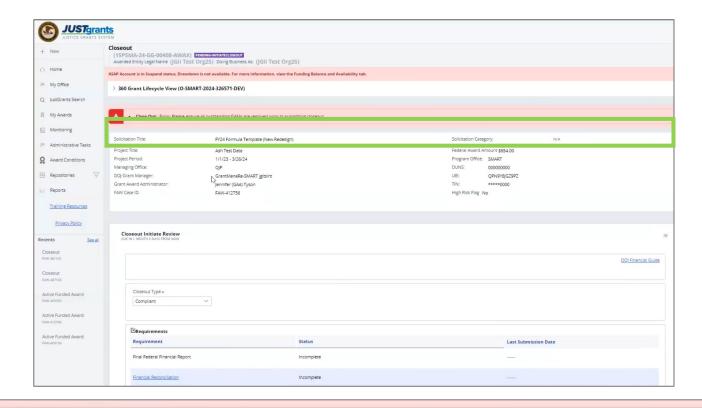


Closeout Submission – (How)





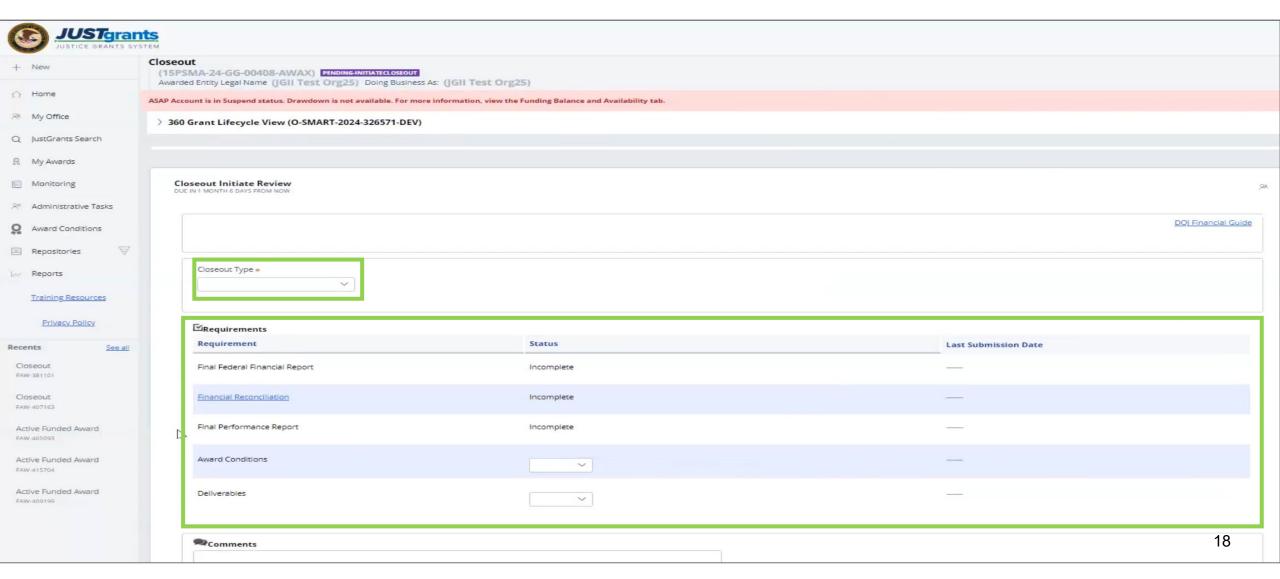


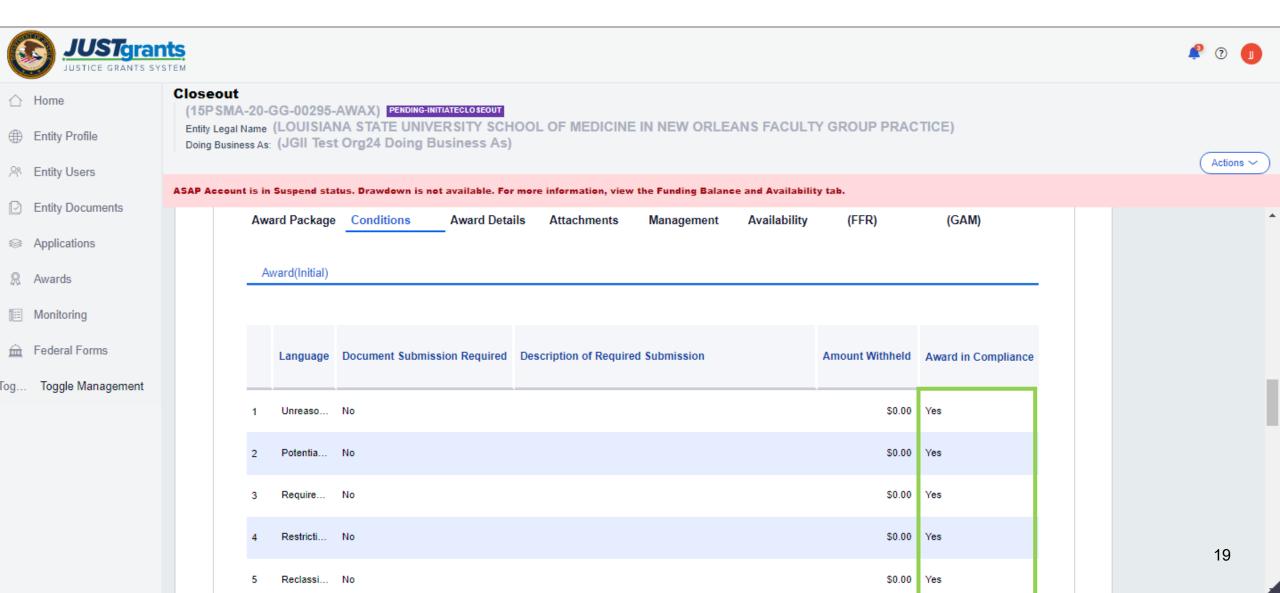


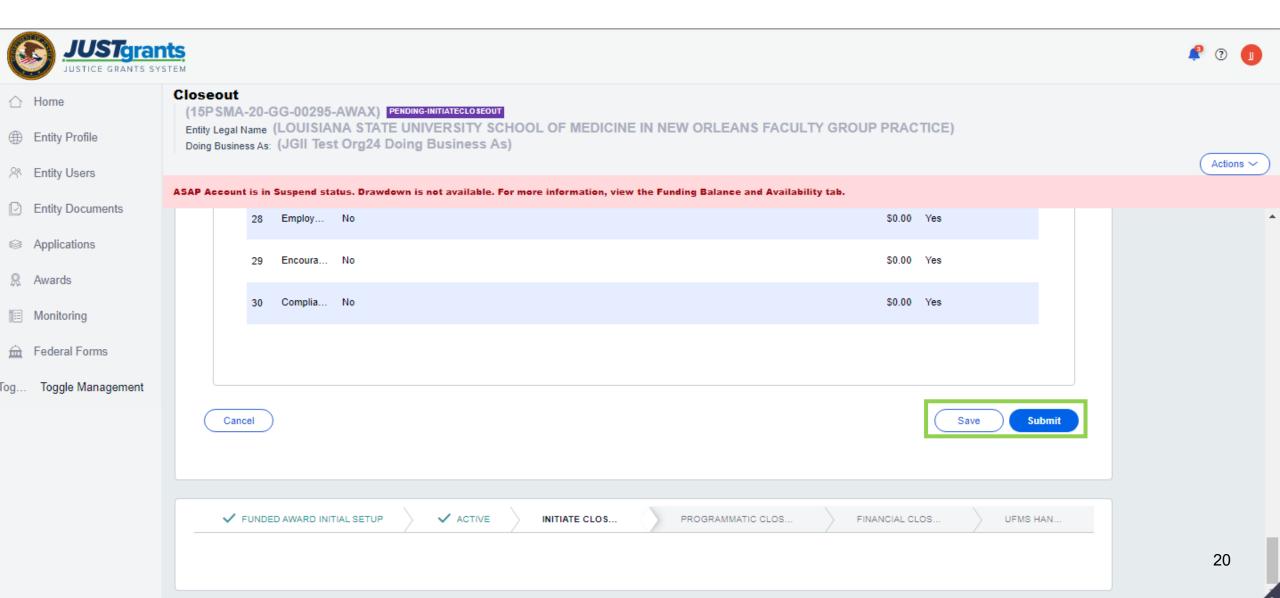


. Close Out: Error: Please ensure all outstanding GAMs are resolved prior to submitting closeout.









Closeout Submission – Before the Project End Date (How)

Award Information
DUE IN3 MONTHS AGO

Performance Funding Balance and Federal Financial Grant Award
Award Package Award Conditions Award Details Award Attachments Management Availability Report (FFR) Modification (GAM) Closeout

Award closeout has not yet been initiated.

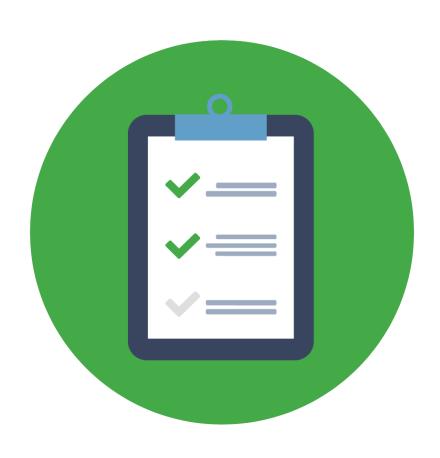






Summary

Closeout Highlights Summary



- JustGrants will automatically initiate a closeout the day after the Project Period End Date.
- The Closeout will appear in the Worklist for the assigned Grant Award Administrator (GAA).
- The GAA will have 120 days to submit the closeout.
- If the closeout is not submitted by the 121st day, JustGrants will automatically submit the award to the program office.
- A GAA can initiate a closeout prior to the project period end date if needed



Points of Emphasis

Be aware of the timeline associated with the closeout

Know the closeout requirements and your responsibilities

Gain familiarity with the JustGrants Closeout process

Reach out to your grant manager with any closeout questions





Resources

Justice Grants

The Justice Grants Website has so much more!

- Grant Award Modifications
- <u>Deliverables</u>
- JustGrants User Roles Guide
- Closeout
- JustGrants User Roles Guide

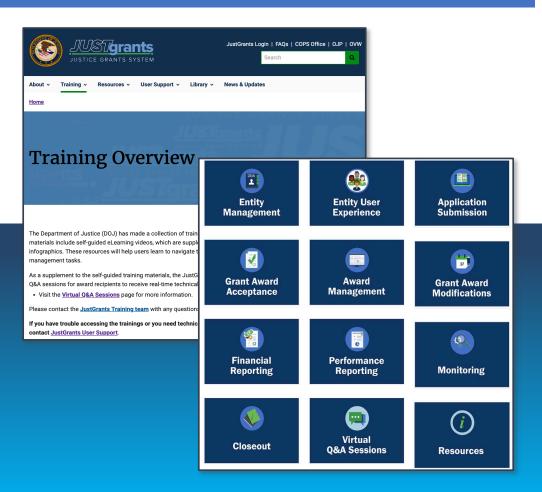
https://JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov

- Topic Specific Training Resources
- User Support Information
- News and Updates

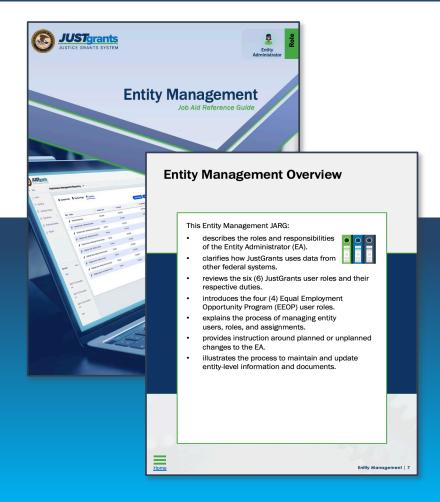


JustGrants Training Resources

Organized by Topics



Job Aid Reference Guides



JustGrants Technical Support

If you need support beyond what is available at the self-service portion of the JustGrants website, please reach out to the appropriate Technical Support desk.

Technical Support		
OVW applicants and award recipients	OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov Or (866) 655–4482	
All other applicants and award recipients	JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov Or (833) 872–5175 Monday – Friday between the hours of 5:00 AM and 9:00 PM EST Saturday, Sunday, and Federal holidays from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM EST	



Upcoming Sessions

JUSTICEGRANTS.USDOJ.GOV/Training/weekly-training-webinars

Post-Award Management: MONDAYS from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

KEY AUDIENCE: Grant Award Administrators, Entity Administrators, Financial Managers

Entity Management: TUESDAYS from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

KEY AUDIENCE: Entity Administrators

Application Mechanics: WEDNESDAYS from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM

KEY AUDIENCE: Entity Administrators, Application Submitters, Authorized Representatives

Award Acceptance: THURSDAYS from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

KEY AUDIENCE: Entity Administrators, Authorized Representatives



Questions?



To submit a question, use the **Q&A Box** and select All Panelists





Anti-Trafficking Grantee Closeout

Performance Management Tips

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Two-Step Final Report Submission Process

Generating the Final Report

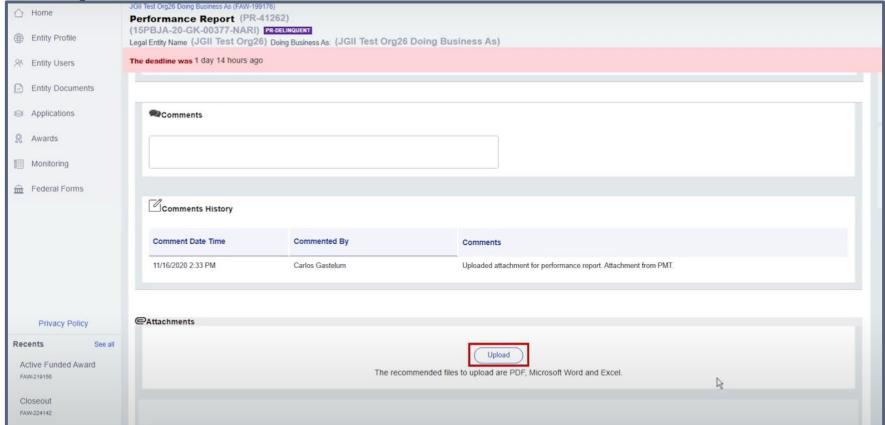


- 1. On the Reports tab, select the applicable award number.
- 2. Select the link labeled "Final PDF."
- 3. Save the generated PDF report to your computer.
- 4. Upload PDF report into JustGrants within 120 days of your end date.

Reporting Period	Data Entry Status	Last Modified Initial Completion Date	Reports
10/01/2020 - 12/31/2020	Complete <u>Unlock</u>		Excel Quarterly PDF Semi-Annual PDF
01/01/2021 - 03/31/2021	Complete <u>Unlock</u>		Excel Quarterly PDF
04/01/2021 - 06/30/2021	Complete <u>Unlock</u>		Excel Quarterly PDF Semi-Annual PDF
07/01/2021 - 09/30/2021	Complete <u>Unlock</u>		<u>Excel</u> <u>Quarterly PDF</u>
10/01/2021 - 12/31/2021	Complete <u>Unlock</u>		Excel Quarterly PDF Semi-Annual PDF
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Final Report in JustGrants



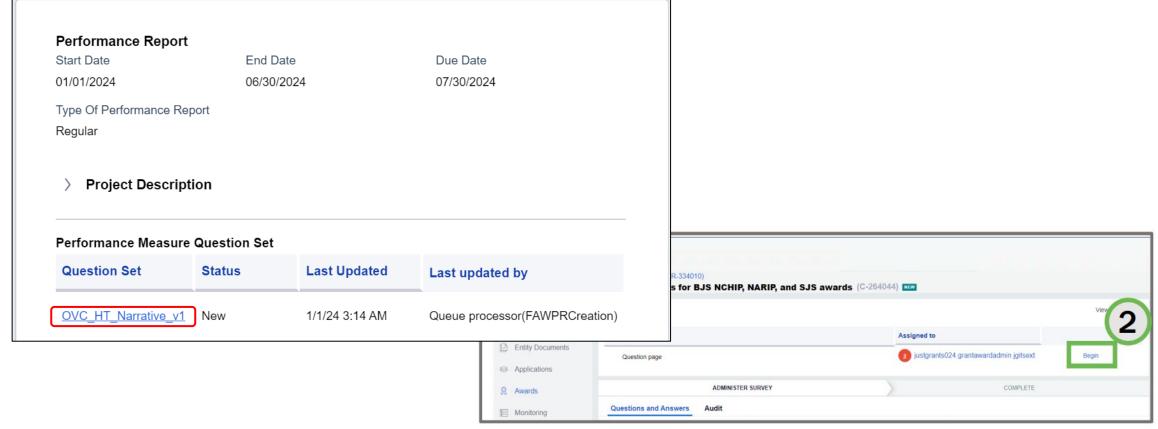
Completing a Question Set and Submitting the Performance Report (usdoj.gov)





Reporting Narrative Responses in JustGrants

Narrative Questions in JustGrants



Completing a Question Set and Submitting the Performance Report (usdoj.gov)



Final Report Tips

- 1. The final narrative questions will cover the entire duration of your award.
- 2. Answer questions based on the goals you set out to accomplish at the beginning of your award reviewing the goals and objectives on your award application may help.
- 3. Only include work that was conducted with OVC award funds for the specific OVC award you are reporting on, not other sources of funding.



Final Report Tips – Cont.

- 4. The narrative should be written by the primary grantee, not the subgrantees.
- 5. Yes, every question needs an answer; No, N/A is not an acceptable answer. OVC grant managers will "change request" the report if sufficient details are not provided on every question.
- 6. Create your responses in a Word document and, once finished, copy and paste each answer from the document into JustGrants plain text only!
- 7. Be sure to frequently save your responses!





Resources

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Resources in PMT or on the OVC website:

- Performance measures questionnaires.
- Recorded trainings and webinars on PMT and performance management topics.
- Updated Performance Measure Dictionary and Terminology Resource.



The <u>OVC Performance Measure Dictionary and Terminology Resource</u> is designed as a resource for terms used as part of OVC's performance data collection efforts. Check out this resource for standardized definitions and examples for easier reporting.

Performance Measures

Human Trafficking Grantee Performance Measures

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Human Trafficking Grantee Performance Measures &

OVC strives to uphold the intent of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 and its subsequent reauthorizations to ensure that all trafficking victims—regardless of immigration status, gender, or form of trafficking—receive justice and support in accessing the services they need.

OVC manages the largest amount of funding across the Federal Government dedicated to providing services to victims of human trafficking. OVC strengthens the response to human trafficking through grant funding for victim services, multidisciplinary teams, statewide responses to child and youth trafficking, training and technical assistance, and leadership in the field.

In 2020, all performance measures across the OVC human trafficking portfolio were revised to—

- better reflect and report the activities of OVC's human trafficking grantees,
- · standardize the questions across OVC's human trafficking portfolio, and
- align the human trafficking performance measures to OVC's other performance measures.

Data from the revised performance measures allow OVC to communicate to its stakeholders the full picture of the benefits realized with OVC grant funds.

Where can I find my program's performance measures?

Victim Assistance and Compensation Grantee Performance Measures

Transforming Victim Services Grantee Performance Measures

Human Trafficking Grantee Performance Measures

How are performance measures reported?

When are performance reports due?

How can grantees find support and resources?

Data Analyses

Contact Us

https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/performance-measures/human-trafficking



How Can We Help?

- Contact us with questions about a specific measure.
- Schedule a "Welcome to OVC Performance Management" session for new staff or for staff turnover.
- Consider a short 30-minute session via Webex to screen share and review your reports.
- Send questions, comments, and suggestions for technical assistance to the helpdesk.



Contact Information

OVC PMT Helpdesk

Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Eastern Toll free number: 1–844–884–2503**

Email:

ovcpmt@usdoj.gov

Website:

https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/performance-measures

** Appointments are available outside of normal business hours by request.

JustGrants

5:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. Eastern Toll free number: 1–833–872–5175

Email:

justicegrants.support@usdoj.gov

Website:

https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/





Closeout: Financial Management Perspective



What We Offer

Grants financial management training and technical assistance to anti-trafficking grantees.

We support grantees by providing:

- ► Individualized TA
- Access to financial management resources
- Support with topic specific questions (closeouts, FFRs, GAMs, reporting)



Financial Management Perspective of Closeout

- Cash reconciliation and final draw down
- Final FFR (including match)
- Return unspent funds
- Stick to the timelines



Work Backwards from Due Dates

- ➤ Obligations incurred prior to the project period end date must be liquidated no more than 120 days after the project period end date.
- The grant award administrator initiates the closeout process at the end of the award period, ensuring requirements have been filed in the JustGrants Module.
- ► OJP will begin the closeout process on day 121. Submit all required reports before the 120-day mark.



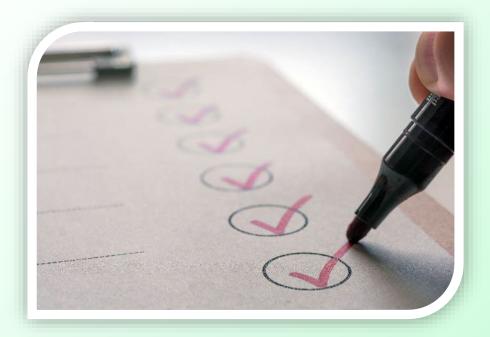
*Start planning for closeout as early as possible.





Collecting Information for your FFR

- Cumulative expenditures
- Supporting documentation (example: match)
- ► Reconciliation to accounting records
- Amount of any federal dollars returned







Match Requirement

- ► Matching funds are:
 - Restricted to the same use of funds as allowed for the federal funds.
- The award recipient has primary responsibility for:
 - Meeting the match requirement
 - Ensuring subrecipient compliance
 - Maintaining records which clearly show the source, amount, and timing for all matched contributions







Match Requirement

- The full matching share must be contributed AND reported on by the end of the period of performance.
- Recipients are required to report match on the quarterly Federal Financial Report (SF-425/line i).

10i. Total recipient share required.





Cash Reconciliation and Final Draw Down

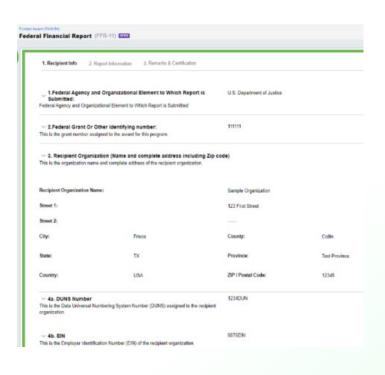
Line Number	Description	Validation
10e	Federal Share of Expenditures	If less than the previous reporting period, the user must enter a response in Block 12.
10f	Federal Share of Unliquidated Obligations	For final reports, this cannot be greater than zero.
10 h	Unobligated Balance of Federal Funds	This cannot be negative.
1 0j	Recipient Share of Expenditures	If less than the previous reporting period, the user must enter a response in Block 12.
10 o	Unexpended Program Income	This cannot be negative.
11 c	Period To (Indirect Cost Rate)	Date must be before 11c Period From (Indirect Cost Rate).
11 f	Federal Share (Indirect Cost Rate)	Must be equal or less than 11e, Amount Charged (Indirect Cost Rate). This cannot be negative.

Report final Federal share of cumulative expenditures and recipient share, if required, on the final FFR.





Cash Reconciliation and Final Draw Down



- Liquidate obligations incurred prior to end of the period of performance no more than 120 days after the project period end date.
- ➤ Request final draw down of Federal expenditures made within the approved period of performance.
 - Request must be submitted prior to the end of the liquidation period (120 days after the end of the period of performance).





Project Period Extensions and Budget GAMs

- Any requests must include a thorough justification of why additional time is **needed to achieve the goals and objectives** of the grant program.
- Extension requests:
 - Do not provide additional funding
 - ➤ Are evaluated on a case-by-case basis



Tip: When in doubt, talk to your Grant Manager as soon as possible!





Documentation Retention

- ➤ Keep receipts of all transactions organized so they are easily accessible.
- ➤ All documents must be kept for a minimum of **three years** from official closeout date.
- Support account records with source documentation (cancelled checks, paid bills, payrolls, time and attendance records, contract and subcontract award documents, etc.)





Documentation Retention

Maintain records that identify the source and application of funds provided for financial activities. Include information pertaining to:

► Grant or subgrant awards and authorizations

- **►** Obligations
- ► Unobligated balances
- Assets
- **►** Liabilities
- Outlays or expenditures
- ► Program income (if applicable)



Closeout Requirements

Within 120 days of the end of the award period, the recipient must submit the following:

Final Federal Financial Report

Final Performance Report Refund of Excess

Cash

Funds will be frozen after 120 days.





Refund Excess Cash

If funds must be returned at award closeout:

- ► Make check payable to DOJ/Office of Justice Programs (include award number).
- Include cover letter/voucher containing the grant number for the refund, itemization of funds and the unobligated balance.
- ▶ Printout of the final SF-425 report which supports the amount of the refund.
- ➤ Failure to remit payment to OJP will be referred to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection.

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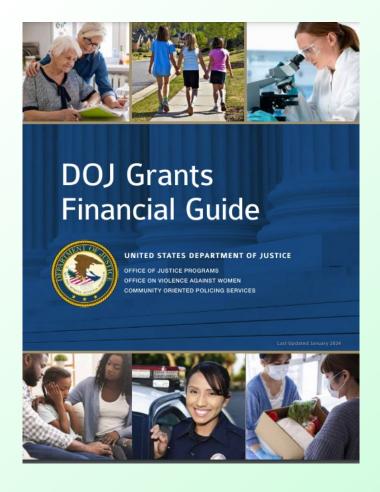






Resources

- **▶** DOJ Grants Financial Guide
- **► JustGrants Training: Closeout**
- ► OCFO Customer Service Center
 - ➤ ask.ocfo@usdoj.gov
 - **►**800-458-0786
- **► OVC FMRC**







We Want to Hear from You

Contact the OVC FMRC with any financial questions regarding the closeout of your award.



askfmrc@usdoj.gov



202.572.9500



OJP.gov/FMRC





Questions?



To submit a question, use the Q&A Box and select All Panelists.





Thank You!