

## **Agencies Develop Own Web Services for ARRA Applications**

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Recovery Act grantseekers take note: 10 federal agencies will now be accepting applications for their ARRA grant programs through services other than the Grants.gov portal. Grants.gov administrators posted an announcement on the site's home page April 23 to let users know that although they can still find funding announcements for all 26 federal agencies' recovery grant programs on Grants.gov, this group of 10 agencies will now be accepting some or all of their grant programs' applications through their own Web portals.

Due to the huge increase in application submissions to Grants.gov since February, the Office of Management and Budget directed all of the federal agencies to come up with alternatives to the overloaded system to relieve congestion.

The 10 agencies that are now accepting some or all of their applications to their Recovery Act opportunities are: the Corporation for National and Community Service, Department of Defense, Department of Education, Department of Energy, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of Justice , Department of Transportation , Environmental Protection Agency , National Air and Space Administration , and the National Science Foundation .

Once applicants have accessed one of these agencies' funding announcements on Grants.gov, they should be careful to follow the application submission instructions to make sure they are submitting their application through the appropriate service.