

**GRANTS OVERVIEW** – NIFA is providing resources that may be helpful tools in obtaining a basic understanding of grants and cooperative agreements. The information on this page may be of particular interest to those that do not have Federal financial assistance experience.

**BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS** - [Grants 101 Training](#) is highly recommended for those seeking knowledge about Federal financial assistance. The training is free and available to the public. It consists of five modules covering each of the following topics:

- LAWS, REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE
- FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MECHANISMS
- UNIFORM GUIDANCE ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS
- COST PRINCIPLES
- RISK MANAGEMENT AND SINGLE AUDIT

[GRANTS PROCESS OVERVIEW](#) – for an overview of the grants process.

[NIFA GRANTS POLICY GUIDE](#) – As covered in the Grants 101 Training, recipients of Federal awards are required to comply with the federal requirements set forth in 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. Another useful tool in learning the intricacies of NIFA awards is the NIFA Grants Policy Guide. This guide incorporates, where appropriate, 2 CFR 200, as well as agency-specific regulations (e.g., 7 CFR 3430). It is NIFA’s comprehensive guidance on:

- Application and review processes
- Award notification and administration procedures
- Applicable cost principles
- Award terms and conditions
- Administrative, monitoring, and reporting requirements
- Close-out procedures

[NIFA WEBSITE](#) – High-level information about NIFA awards and processes also is available on the [Grants portion](#) of the NIFA website where you can choose areas of interest from the menu on the left-hand side of the page. The following are a few areas that may be of particular interest to you.

- [APPLICATION PROCESS](#)
- [MANAGE A GRANT](#)
  - [REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES](#)
- [CLOSE A GRANT](#)