This e-newsletter provides updates, information and resources to assist DOJ award applicants, recipients and other stakeholders in using JustGrants, DOJ’s grants management system, and ASAP, the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s payment management system.

Transition to SAM Unique Entity Identifier

On April 4, 2022, the federal government will stop using DUNS numbers and start using new Unique Entity Identifiers (UEI) as the primary means of identifying entities registered for federal awards government-wide in the System for Award Management (SAM). The UEI is a 12-character alpha-numeric value. Once issued, your entity’s SAM UEI will not change. All DUNS numbers will be removed from SAM after April 4, 2022.

Users will need their SAM UEI to search for entity registrations. If your entity is registered in SAM.gov today, it has already been assigned a UEI and you can view it in SAM. SAM registration will continue to require annual renewal.

This change simplifies the process of registering an organization to do business with the federal government. Entities will no longer need to contact a third party to obtain an identification number or get support.

As a reminder, JustGrants uses SAM as the primary source of agency information in applying for and managing DOJ grant funding. In JustGrants, an award recipient organization is called an "entity," and information in an entity’s SAM account is automatically updated in JustGrants. JustGrants automatically pulls entity information from SAM, thereby reducing the burden on award recipients to manually update information across multiple systems, and helps DOJ validate information from recipients.

Register for an Upcoming UEI Transition Presentation

On Wednesday, January 12, at 12 p.m. ET, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the General Services Administration (GSA) will offer a grants innovation exchange session focused on the SAM UEI. This session is targeted towards the award recipient community and will feature updates from OMB and GSA’s Integrated Award Environment on the SAM UEI. OMB and GSA will walk through everything a recipient of federal awards needs to know in preparation for the transition to the new SAM UEI, including a demonstration of how to request a UEI in SAM. Register for this session or view previous session recordings at your convenience.

Register for Wednesday's Presentation
Additional Resources

GSA and its Federal Service Desk are the official sources of information for the transition from DUNS to the SAM UEI. They offer a variety of resources to help you through this transition, based on the work you do in SAM.

- Use this interactive PDF tool to find out what you can do to get ready for when DUNS is replaced by UEI. This information is based on the type of work you do in SAM.
- Read the UEI Fact Sheet, which provides information about the ongoing transition from DUNS to the SAM UEI.
- Watch this video on how to get your SAM UEI without needing to complete an entity registration in SAM.

Access the new SAM Resources page on the Justice Grants website to learn more about the transition from DUNS to the new SAM UEI and what it means to you.

Do you know someone else who could use this information? They can subscribe to email updates regarding JustGrants at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOJOJP/subscriber/new?topic_id=USDOJOJP_586.

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