

## HOW TO MANAGE YOUR GRANT

Historic Preservation Grants Program



## GRANT PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES (DIVISION)

HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS PROGRAM

#### PROGRAM GOVERNANCE

- Chapter 267.0617, Florida Statutes
- Chapter 1A-39, Florida Administrative Code
- Small Matching Grant Guidelines
- Special Category Grant Guidelines

Note: Rule and Program Guidelines undergo yearly revision.

#### GRANT PERIOD

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**Special Category** 

12 months (one state fiscal year)

24 months (two state fiscal years)

July 1 – June 30

July 1 – June 30 (year 2)

NOTE: Work undertaken or expenses incurred prior to the start of the Grant Period may not be covered by project funds.

### GETTING STARTED

#### PROJECT FILE

Sections 20 and 21 of the Grant Award Agreement requires Grantees to maintain project records for a period of five (5) years after the close of the grant and provide them to the Division upon request.

- Such records include but are not limited to:
  - Grant Award Agreement
  - Financial documentation
  - Deliverable documentation
  - Electronic storage media
- If an organization has multiple grant projects, a separate grant file must be maintained for each project.

#### ORGANIZATION PROFILE

- Applicants should verify that all information in the Organization profile is accurate, including the Staff List
- This list may be accessed by clicking "Manage staff" on the Organization Details page



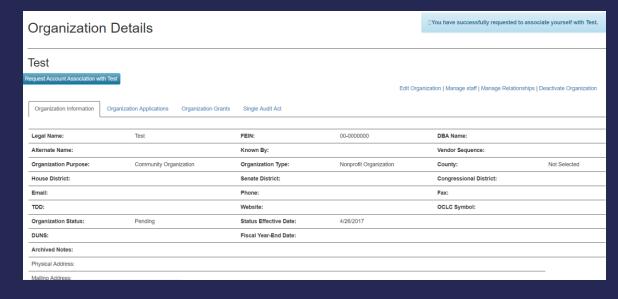
#### ADDING NEW STAFF

There are a two ways to add a new staff member. Both require the individual to have a dosgrants.com account.

1. Click on "Add new staff member" and follow system prompts



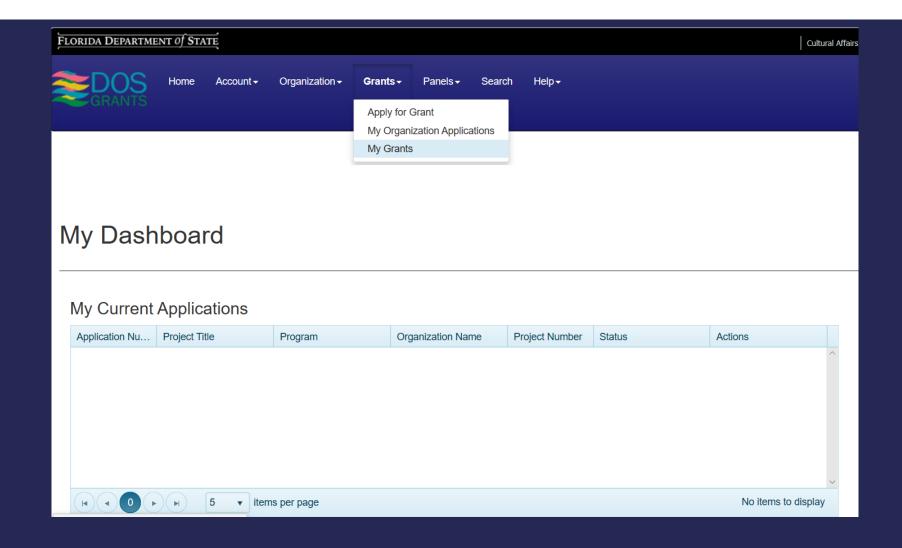
2. Have the individual request association



#### ORGANIZATION ROLES

- Organization Manager
  - May edit Organization Details and add/edit staff; May view, edit, and submit all items on Grant Record Details
- Profile Editor (application oriented)
  - May edit Organization Details but may not access Grant Record Details
- Grant Editor (application oriented)
  - May edit Organization Details but may not access Grant Record Details
- Submitter
  - May edit Organization Details; May view, edit, and submit all items on Grant Record Details
- Viewer
  - May only view Organization Details and may not access Grant Record Details

#### FINDING YOUR GRANT



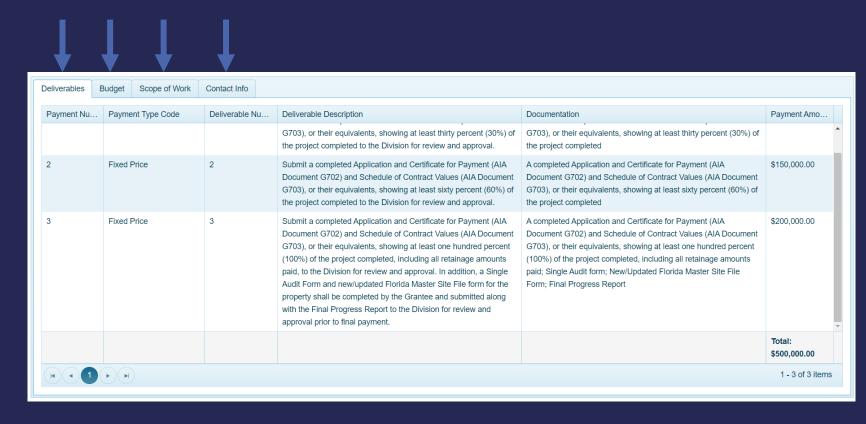
#### GRANT RECORD DETAILS



# GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT

#### CONTRACT DETAILS REVIEW

- After notice of award,
   Grantees will be contacted
   by a Division Grants
   Specialist to review contract
   details
- Grantees should email the Division Grants Specialist if revision is needed
- Once contract details are confirmed, the Grant Award Agreement is released for signing



#### WHAT IS THE GAA?

The Grant Award Agreement is a legally binding document between the Grantee and the Division. It contains important information and stipulations that serves as a guide during the grant period

- Sections of note:
  - Section 1.a. Scope of Work
  - Section 1.b. Deliverables
  - · Section 2. Length of Agreement
  - Section 4. Payment Policies
  - Section 8. Financial Consequences

- Section 9. Special Conditions
- Section 11. Encumbrance
- Section 12. Reporting Requirements (with deadlines)
- Section 15. Extension Policies
- Section 36. Procurement Requirements

#### **GAA EXECUTION**

- Allow for time in the project schedule to review and sign the Grant Award Agreement
- Special Category projects must execute and file Restrictive Covenants
  - Fill in all blanks
  - Include an Attachment/Exhibit A choose boundaries wisely
  - Must be <u>notarized</u> and <u>filed with county clerk</u>
  - · Payment cannot be made before the Restrictive Covenant has been filed
- Once the Division has received a signed and dated copy of the Grant Award Agreement with any/all accompanying required documents, it will take 1-2 weeks for execution

## ENCUMBRANCE & PROCUREMENT

#### PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

Section 36: Grantees must conduct an open, competitive procurement process for goods and/or services in accordance with <u>Section 287, Florida Statutes</u> and <u>Chapter 60A-1.002, Florida Administrative Code</u>

- · Purchases up to \$2,500
  - Carried out using good purchasing practices
- Purchases between \$2,500 \$35,000
  - Written quotations
  - Written records of telephone quotations
  - Informal bids
- Purchases \$35,000 and over
  - Formal invitation to bid (ITB)
  - Request for proposals (RFP)
  - Invitation to negotiate (ITN)

#### PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

- If using a <u>continuing services contract</u>, Grantees may forgo a new bid process by submitting the following:
  - · Proof the services were initially procured in accordance with Florida Statutes
  - Original continuing services contract
  - Vendor qualifications
- If approved, the Grantee must provide a copy of the work order, task authorization, acceptance of proposal, etc. that is specific to the grant project

#### ENCUMBRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Section 11: A binding contract for all or part of the Scope of Work must be executed by September 30

- An extension may be requested via email that includes the following:
  - Reason for extension
  - Requested extension date
  - Timeline/plans for achieving encumbrance
- For those projects not involving contract services, the Department and Grantee shall consult on a case-by-case basis

#### **ENCUMBRANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- What the Division looks for in Encumbrance documents:
  - Outline of Scope of Work as identified in the GAA
  - Timeline and/or projected work completion date
  - · Cost of goods/services corresponding to amount(s) listed in GAA Budget
- Acceptable documentation:
  - Purchase orders
  - Acceptance of vendor proposals
  - Task authorizations
  - Work orders
  - Contract/Agreement

### PROGRESS REPORTS

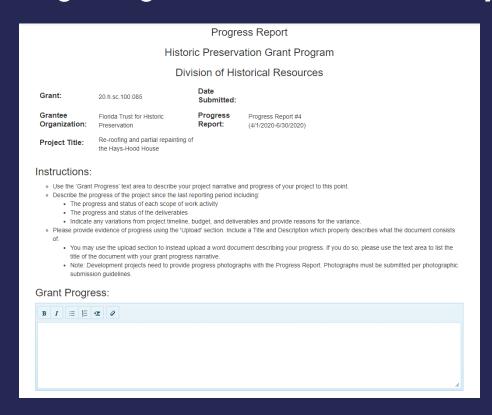
#### THE REPORT

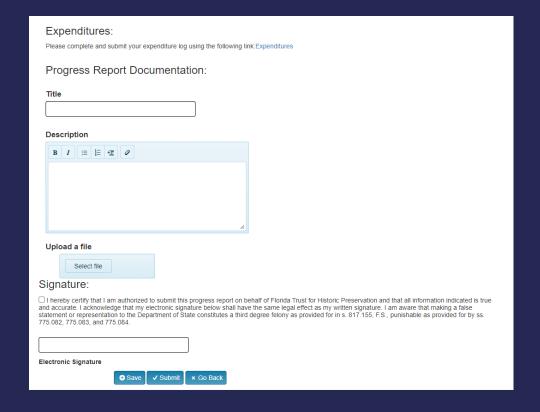
Section 12: Quarterly progress reports must be submitted in dosgrants.com, documenting the following:

- Project activities
- Incurred expenses
- Completion of deliverables/work items
- Examples of appropriate attachments
  - Meeting minutes/correspondence relating to project
  - Encumbrance documentation
  - Deliverable documentation
  - Photographs adhering to <u>Division Photograph Submission Guidelines</u>
- If expenses have been incurred, Grantees are encouraged to update the Expenditure Log

#### HOW TO SUBMIT A PROGRESS REPORT

Progress reports are accessible from the Grant Record Details page at the beginning of the month in which they are due

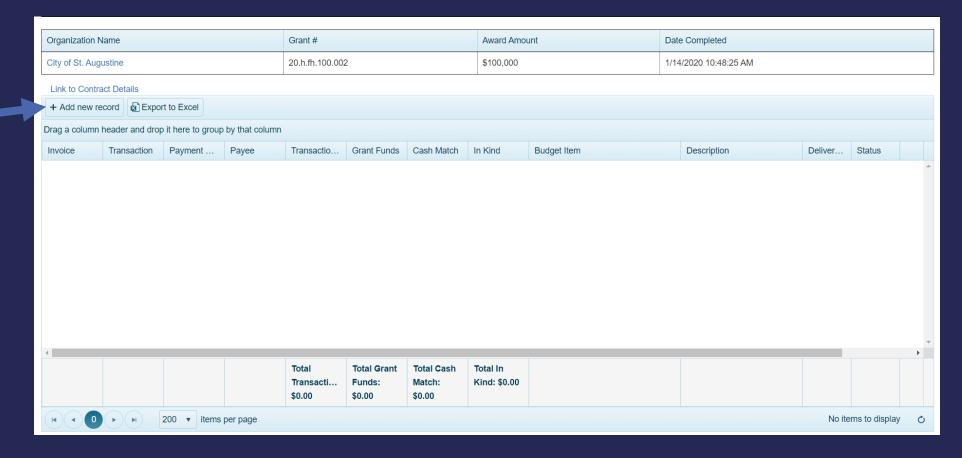




#### THE EXPENDITURE LOG

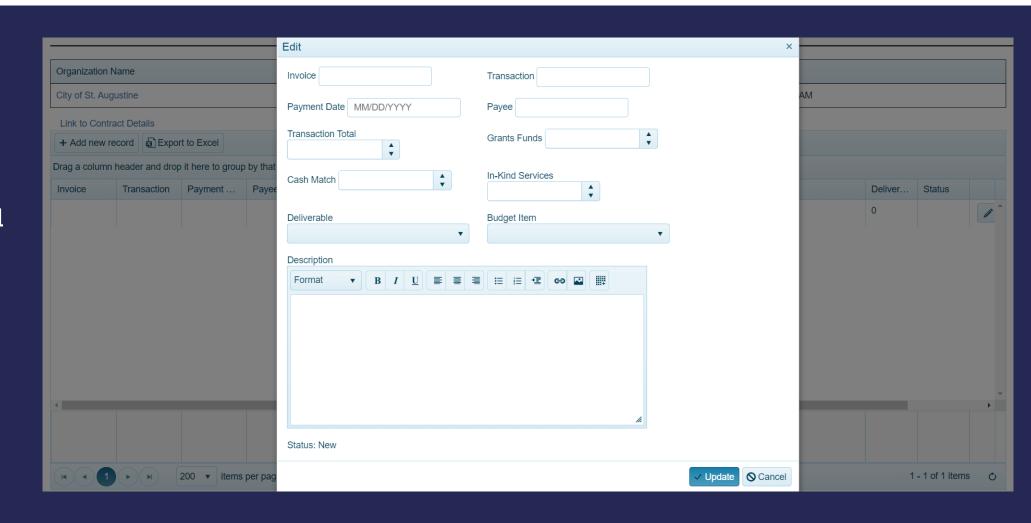
#### The Expenditure Log is accessible from the Grant Record Details page

Select "Add new record" to enter a new expense



#### HOW TO FILL OUT THE EXPENDITURE LOG

- Invoice #
- Transaction #
- Payment date
- Payee
- Transaction total
- Grants funds
- Cash match
- In-kind services
- Deliverable
- Budget item
- Description



#### EXPENDITURE LOG

 Once "Update" is clicked, an entry is created with the status "New" and is viewable by Division staff

- Expenditure Log entry statuses:
  - New entry is editable by the Grantee and has not been submitted
  - Submitted entry no longer editable and is ready for Division review
  - Returned Division Grants Specialist has returned entry to Grantee for editing

#### CREDIT LINE REQUIREMENT

Section 10: When publicizing, advertising, or describing sponsorship of the project, the following statement must be included:

This project is sponsored in part by the Department of State, Division of Historical Resources and the State of Florida.

- Section 10 adherence:
  - Non-site-specific projects
    - Press release
    - News article
    - Deliverable documentation
    - Project sign

- Site-specific projects
  - A project sign must be installed and a photo subsequently submitted to the Division
  - The sign must be legible and durable
  - Grant funds can be used towards purchase

NOTE: The DHR logo is available upon request

### PAYMENT REQUESTS

#### REQUESTING PAYMENT

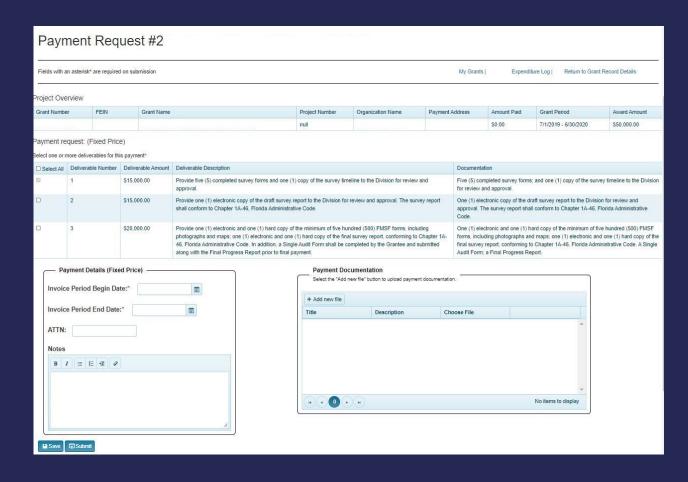
#### Section 4: All payment requests are submitted via dosgrants.com

- To be eligible for payment, Grantees must have completed one or more Deliverables and provide the Deliverable documentation listed in Section 1b of the GAA
  - Deliverables also listed in the Contract Details Form in dosgrants.com
- Grantees may request payment periodically throughout the Grant Period or at its conclusion
  - NOTE: If drafts are required as Deliverables, it is recommended that these are submitted for Division review <u>before</u> the end of the Grant Period. Grantees will be required to complete any necessary revisions prior to receiving payment and will be responsible for any associated costs if the Grant Period has ended. Otherwise, financial consequences may be enacted, resulting in a payment reduction.

#### HOW TO REQUEST PAYMENT

#### Payment requests are accessible from the Grant Record Details page

- Select completed Deliverable(s)
- Enter invoice period
- ATTN name of individual at Grantee organization
- Attach all Deliverable documentation for which payment is being requested



#### THE PAYMENT PROCESS

- Once a payment request has been submitted, Grantees should notify their Division Grants Specialist
- Division staff may request submission of the Expenditure Log and all project financial documentation to date
- Division staff will review Deliverable and Financial documentation and, if approved, submit the request to Finance for processing
- Finance will review the request and send it to the Department of Financial Services for disbursement

#### PAYMENT TRACKING AND RECEIPT

- Funds are provided either by check or direct deposit
  - Section 5: Grantees must complete a <u>Direct Deposit Authorization form</u> to receive funds electronically
- Grantees may check on the status of their request on:
  - Grant Record Details page
  - Florida Accounting Information Resource
- · Payment request review, approval, and processing timeline
  - Small Matching: 3-5 weeks
  - Special Category: 5-7 weeks

#### WHEN PAYMENTS ARE NOT APPROVED

- Deliverable documentation not provided
- Incorrect Deliverable documentation provided
- Deliverable documentation incomplete or in need of revision
- Non-allowable costs included in incurred expenses
- Grantee organization in non-compliance

## REMINDER OF NON-ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES

#### Section 16: Nonallowable grant expenditures include but are not limited to:

- Work that does not comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards (as applicable)
- Work completed outside of the grant period or Scope of Work
- Entertainment, food, beverages, plaques, awards, or gifts
- Total administrative and project management costs exceeding 5% of the grant funds requested
- Indirect costs, i.e. costs that are not readily identifiable as expenditures for the materials and services required to complete the Scope of Work

- Activities related to the interiors of religious properties
- Furniture and equipment
- Attending/hosting conferences, summits, workshops, or presentations
- Tuition waivers, fees, and other non-grant related costs associated with employing students
- Travel expenditures, including those of personnel responsible for items of work approved by the Division, administrative personnel, or (sub)contracted employees, either for purposes of work on-site or research off-site

# NON-COMPLIANCE

### NON-COMPLIANCE

Section 24: Grantees who have not satisfied administrative requirements will be placed in non-compliance. This may include failures to:

- Meet deadlines
- Submit required documentation
- Make required revisions or corrections
- Respond to Division requests for information in a timely manner
- Complete work in accordance with SOI Standards and/or the agreed upon Scope of Work

- While in non-compliance:
  - Status applies to entire organization
  - Payment of funds suspended for all Department of State grants
  - Organization unable to request payment or apply for additional grants
- Failure to resolve non-compliance may lead to:
  - Mandatory return of portion or entire amount of Grant Award
  - Grant termination
  - Organization prohibited from applying for future grants with Division or other Department of State Divisions

# AMENDMENTS

### AMENDING THE GAA

Section 7: Either party (Grantee or Division) may request modification to the contract details. Agreed upon changes are only valid when in writing, signed by all parties, accompanying the original agreement, and submitted through dosgrants.com

- If an amendment is needed, Grantees should first email their Division Grants Specialist and include the following:
  - Reason for amendment
  - Proposed changes

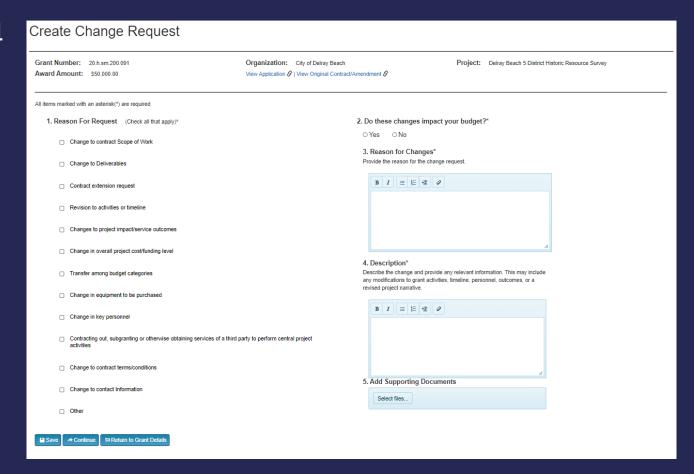
## EXTENSION AMENDMENTS

Section 15: Extension of the completion date may be requested up to 30 days prior to the Grant Period end date

- Small Matching Grants
  - Extension may not exceed 30 days, unless the Grantee can clearly demonstrate extenuating circumstances
    - These do not include failure to read or understand administrative requirements or to raise sufficient matching funds
    - The Division will review requests on a case-by-case basis
  - Pursuant to Section 216.301(1)(b), Florida Statutes, the Division has until September 30 to review, process, and disburse Small Matching grant payments before funds are rescinded
- Special Category Grants
  - Extension may not exceed 120 days, unless the Grantee can clearly demonstrate extenuating circumstances

## **AMENDMENT PROCESS**

- Initiate Change Request from Grant Record Details page
- Select Reason for Request
- Enter brief Reason for Changes and Description
- Follow system prompts
- Notify Grants Specialist when request submitted
- Grants Specialist will review, edit, return, and/or approve request and provide amendment
- Grantee must sign and date amendment and return to Division for execution



# CLOSE-OUT

### CLOSING OUT THE GRANT

Section 14: All expenses must be incurred and the Scope of Work completed by the Grant Completion Deadline

- Grantees have the following 30 days to submit all close-out documentation
  - Final payment request
  - All Deliverable documentation
  - Completed Expenditure Log
  - Final progress report
  - Florida Single Audit Act form
  - All financial backup documentation (e.g. invoices, cancelled checks, timesheets, receipts, etc.)
  - · Check for accrued interest on advanced/invested funds, if applicable

### **ACCRUED INTEREST**

Section 23: Grantees may temporarily invest any or all grant funds received but not expended in an interest-bearing account

- Interest accrued less than \$100 may be held until it totals more than \$100, at which point it must be submitted to the Division by way of a check made out to the <u>Department of State</u>
- Any remaining interest accrued and not paid to the Division must be submitted at the end of the Grant Period by way of a check made out to the <u>Department of State</u>

# MANAGING EFFECTIVELY

### DO'S AND DON'TS OF GRANT MANAGEMENT

#### DO

- Thoroughly review the GAA
- Follow procurement requirements per Section 287.057, Florida Statutes
- Select historic preservation professionals (as applicable)
- Adhere to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards
- Track volunteer and/or grant administration hours
- Communicate consistently with Division Grants Specialist

#### DON'T

- Start work before July 1
- Execute contracts before they are reviewed by the Division
- Start work before the Division has reviewed and approved architectural drawings/specifications
- Perform tasks outside of the Scope of Work
- Miss deadlines
- Forget to keep a complete grant file

## SOURCES TO CONSULT FREQUENTLY

- Your Division Grants Specialist
- Grant Award Agreement
- Small Matching Grant Guidelines
- Special Category Grant Guidelines
- Guidelines for Submitting Photographs
- FMSF Document Submission Guides
- The How to Manage Your Grant Presentation

# GRANT PERIOD TIMELINE SMALL MATCHING



# GRANT PERIOD TIMELINE SMALL MATCHING AND SPECIAL CATEGORY

Grant Period Start Date	JULY 1, YEAR 1
Encumbrance Deadline	SEPTEMBER 30, YEAR 1
Progress Report 1	October 31, Year 1
Progress Report 2	JANUARY 31, YEAR 1
Progress Report 3	April 30, Year 1
SM Extension Request Deadline	MAY 31, YEAR 1
SM Grant Period End Date	June 30, Year 1
Progress Report 4 SM Closeout Documentation	JULY 31, YEAR 1
Progress Report 5	October 31, Year 2
Progress Report 6	JANUARY 31, YEAR 2
Progress Report 7	APRIL 30, YEAR 2
SC Extension Request Deadline	MAY 31, YEAR 2
SC Grant Period End Date	JUNE 30, YEAR 2
Progress Report 8 SC Closeout Documentation	JULY 31, YEAR 2

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