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## **Background**

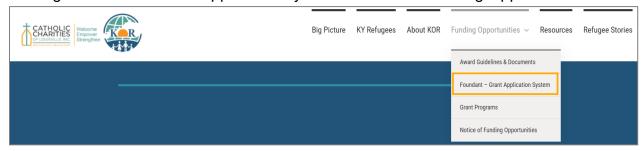
The Kentucky Office for Refugees (KOR) began using the Foundant Grant Application System, also referred to as <u>grantinterface.com</u>, platform in 2024 to help manage the administration of subawards and contracts. Foundant streamlines the funding process by allowing grantmakers to create applications and applicants to submit materials in a singular online, cloud-based software.

The purpose of this software is to facilitate internal document reviewing at KOR and to provide a more centralized platform for organizations to manage their applications. This document outlines how organizational staff may utilize the Foundant Grant Application System.

## **How to Log On**

Use this link to access the Foundant – Grant Application System website: <a href="https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=kor">https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=kor</a>

The link can also be found by visiting KOR's main website, <u>www.kentuckyrefugees.org</u>, and clicking "Foundant – Grant Application System" under the "Funding Opportunities" tab.



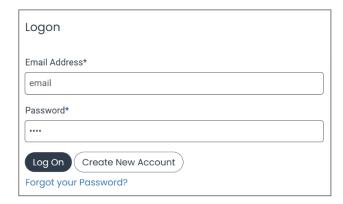


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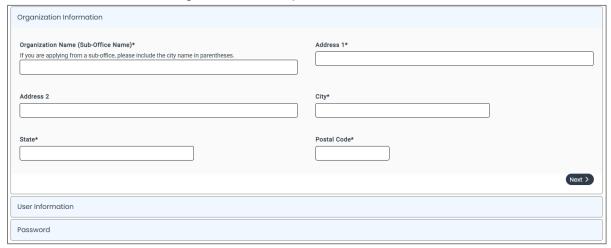
#### **Create a New Account**

If you are the Primary Applicant starting a new application for your organization and do not yet have an account, click Create New Account.

If you are **not** starting the application for your organization, the Primary Applicant will add you as a collaborator. You will only need to provide your name and password to create an account and edit the application and can skip the following steps.



When you click Create New Account, you will be asked to complete registration information for yourself and your organization. This information will be used in your application. Please ensure that you use information associated with the organization that is applying for funding, such as the organization's name and the physical address of your organization. For User Information, we recommend using work-related contact information, such as your office phone number and business email. After filling out all the required information, click **Create Account**.

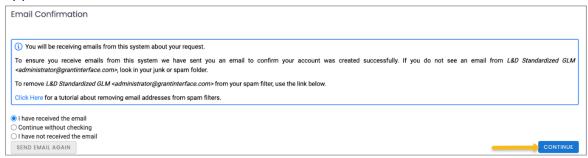


The next page asks you to verify that you received your confirmation email. This step helps ensure that you will receive other communications from this organization about your



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#### application. Click Continue.



#### Log On

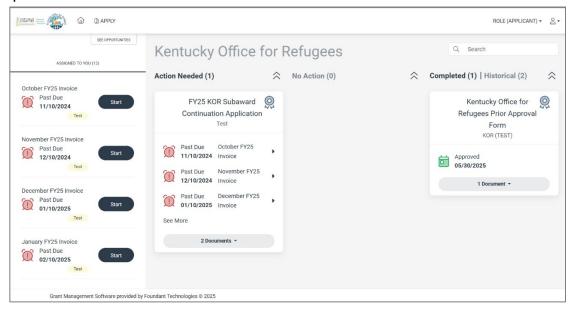
If you have already created an account, enter your information and click Log On.

#### **Forgot Password**

If you have already created an account but have forgotten your password, click Forgot Your Password to reset it.

## **Navigating Your Dashboard**

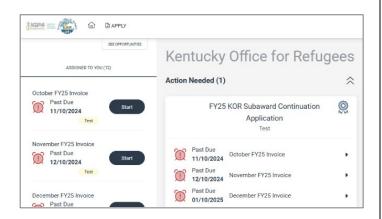
Starting in summer 2025, subrecipients will see an updated Dashboard in Foundant. Tasks are listed under different columns: Assigned to You, Action Needed, No Action, and Completed/Historical.



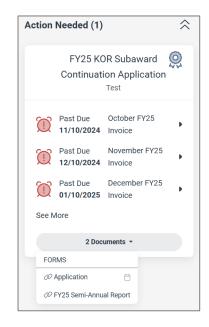


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Primary Applicants will see items, such as invoices, in the Assigned to You column.
Collaborators will see them in the applications "Action Needed" column.



All applicants and collaborators can view documents related to the application listed in the" Documents" drop down.



## How to Apply for a Subaward

#### **Role of the Primary Applicant**

The subaward application should be started by your organization's Primary Applicant. The Primary Applicant will have the following responsibilities:

- Starting the Subaward Application
- Setting Up Organization Details
- Inviting Collaborators
- Viewing Comments from KOR
- Deleting an Application, if Necessary
- Submitting the Final Application
- Receiving Email Updates

#### **Begin Subaward Application**

The Primary Applicant can begin the subaward application by selecting the "Apply" tab at the top-left corner.

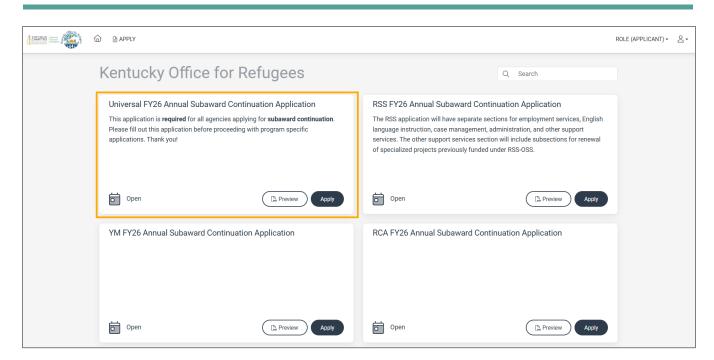
#### For FY26, applicants will submit a minimum of two (2) applications:

- Universal FY26 Annual Subaward Continuation Application
- Program-Specific Application(s) (ex. RSS, YM, RCA, SOR, RHP)

Choose the awards you are applying for and then click "Apply."



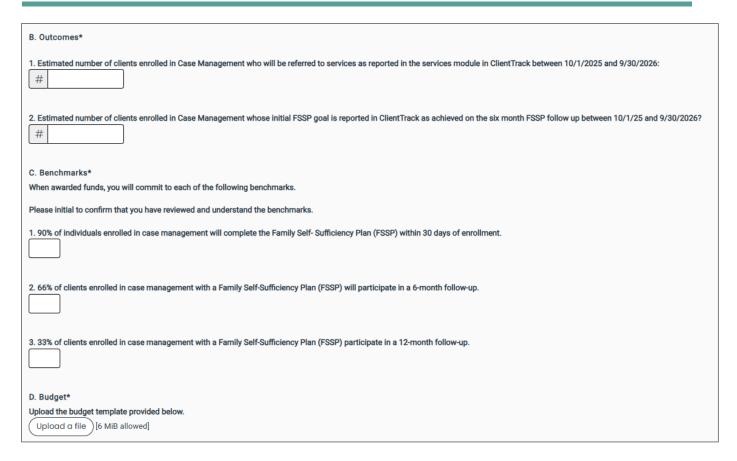
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Foundant will ask applicants to fill out organization information and submit subaward application materials, such as service plans, line-item budgets, and a staff roster. These may include text boxes for applicants to type in answers or options for applicants to Upload a File.

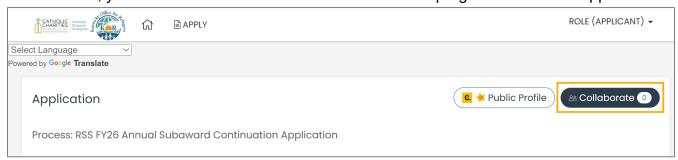


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#### **Invite Collaborators**

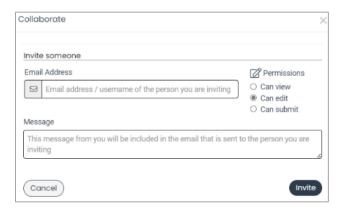
Only the Primary Applicant has the ability to invite collaborators to the application. To invite collaborators, you can click the "Collaborate" button at the top right corner of the application.





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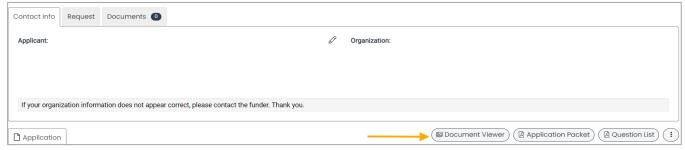
Primary Applicants can invite Collaborators and assign them "Can Edit" permission. This Primary Applicant will still be responsible for entering organization information and submitting the final application. Collaborators will only need to provide their name and password to create an account. Collaborators will need to be manually assigned to <u>each</u> application they are collaborating on.



**Please note** that while the Collaborate feature allows multiple users to work together on a single application, it does *not* show live edits. When making changes to the application, users must save their work, and other collaborators need to refresh their page to see the updated content. If you and a collaborator are working on a single application at the same time, the most recently saved version will overwrite any previous changes.

#### **View Application Materials**

At the top of your application, you may view your application materials.



- Document Viewer: This will show you any documents that have been uploaded to your application, such as your organization chart or budget narrative.
- Application Packet: This will include your organization's information, the form questions, your saved answers, and any file attachments.
- Question List: This provides a printable list of application questions for all programs.

## Save Application

Applicants may save their application at any time. You may do this by scrolling to the bottom of the application and clicking "Save Application."



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#### **Delete an Application**

To delete an application, click "Abandon Request" at the bottom of the application. A screen will pop up and ask you to manually type "ABANDON REQUEST" to complete this. The abandoned application will be saved to the "Historical Requests" tab and cannot be edited or re-submitted. However, a new application can still be submitted if necessary.

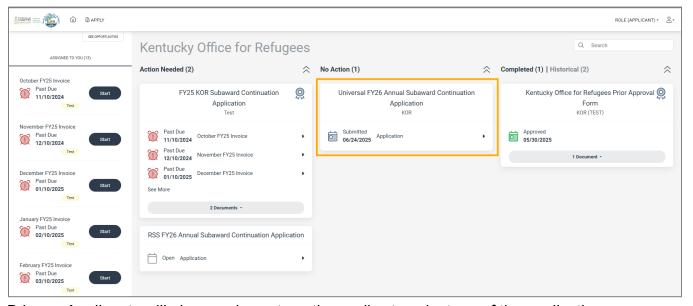
#### **Submit Final Application**

To submit the Final Application, the Primary Applicant will click "Submit Application" at the bottom of the application. You will receive a notification if any information is still not complete.



#### View the Status of an Application

Applicants may view the status of their application in the Applicant Dashboard. This will let applicants know if their application has been submitted and if a funding decision has been made.



Primary Applicants will also receive automatic emails at each stage of the application process, such as when the application is submitted, approved, and ready for signatures. These emails will be from the Kentucky Office for Refugees – Foundant account at <a href="mailto:administrator@grantinterface.com">administrator@grantinterface.com</a>.



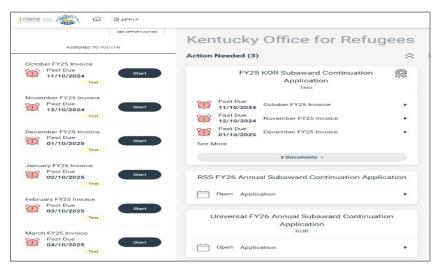
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## **Respond to Comments from KOR**

KOR will review all submissions to Foundant, including applications and invoices. If there are any changes needed, you will be contacted by KOR and receive comments on your application or invoice in Foundant. **Only the primary applicant will have access to the "Administrator Comments."** After reviewing the Administrator Comments, edit your application or invoice and click "Submit Follow Up" again.



## Submit an Invoice





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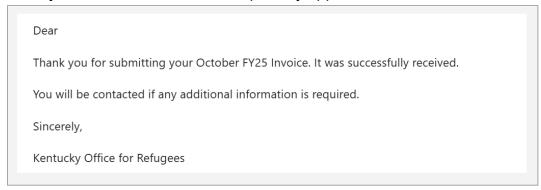
Primary Applicants should invite Finance contact(s) to their application as Collaborators with "Can Submit" access. This will allow Finance staff to submit invoices through Foundant. Invoices must be submitted by the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the following month.

Users should see open invoices on their Dashboard, in the Assigned to You column for Primary Applicants or in the applications Action Needed column for Collaborators. Click "Start" to begin working on your invoice. This will say "Continue" if you have already started working on your invoice but have not submitted it.

Type in your Invoice Amount. Upload your E-Financial to the Invoice Upload section. Click "Submit Follow Up" to send to KOR.



Once you submit the invoices, the primary applicant should receive a confirmation email.



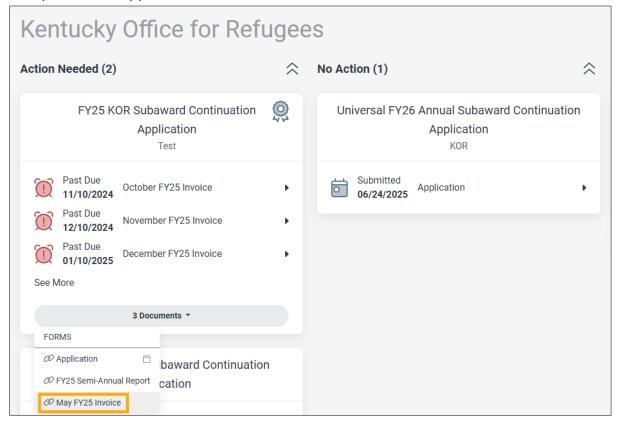
The KOR Finance Team will review your invoices. If there are any changes needed, you will be contacted and receive comments on your invoice in Foundant. After reviewing the Administrator Comments, edit your invoice and click "Submit Follow Up" again.



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Completed and approved invoices can be viewed under the Documents tab in the Dashboard.





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## **Prior Approval Forms**

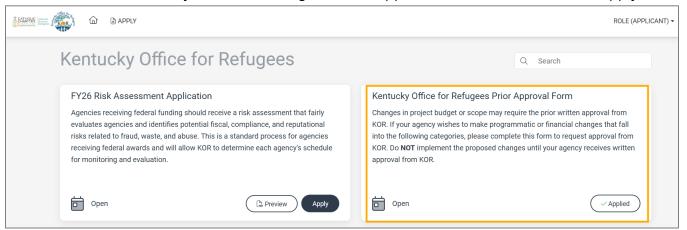
#### **Purpose of Prior Approval Form**

Subrecipients are required to submit a Prior Approval Form when they plan to implement changes that require approval from KOR, such as a change in program scope or objective, change in key person, disengagement or reduction in lead program manager time, subawarding, transferring, or contracting out work, adding a new budget line-item, transferring funds out of "Participant Support Costs," transferring  $\geq 25\%$  or > \$100,000 of funds, requesting additional funding, or requesting a no-cost extension. For more information, please contact your Program Coordinator.

Prior Approval Forms are intended to be submitted by the Primary Applicant or Program Manager of a Subrecipient Organization.

#### **Begin Prior Approval Form**

Applicants can begin the Prior Approval Form by selecting the "Apply" tab at the top-left corner. Find the "Kentucky Office for Refugees Prior Approval Form" and then click "Apply."





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Select the modification(s) and provide a written justification of requested changes. If applicable, upload additional documents. Click "Submit Application" when complete.

TYPE OF FINANCIAL MODIFICATION(S)
1. Adding a new budget line-item that is not reflected in the service plan approved by CC-LOU. 2 CFR 200.308(c)(4)
2. Transferring funds budgeted for direct client service costs, also known as "Participant Support Costs" as defined in 2 CFR 200.1, to other categories, such as administrative costs. 2 CFR 200.308(c)(5)
3. Transferring funds between approved budget line items where either (1) the transfer amounts to 25 percent or more of an award and/or (2) the transfer is greater than \$100,000.
4. The need arises for additional funds to complete the project 2 CFR200.308(c)(8)
5. A no-cost extension (an extension of time that does not require the awarding of additional funds) of the period of performance 2 CFR 200.308 (c)(10)
6. N/A: Program modifications only
Select all that apply  1. Adding a new budget line-item
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3. Transferring 225% or >\$100,000 of funds
4. Additional funding
□ 5. No-cost extension
□ 6. N/A; Program modifications only
Please provide a written explanation/justification of requested changes.
Upload budget and any additional documents
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Upload a file   [5 MiB allowed]
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KOR Program and Finance staff will review the Prior Approval. Staff may add comments and/or request additional information. Prior Approvals are not guaranteed to be approved.

If approved, subrecipients will receive notification from KOR and affected documents will be changed and uploaded to Foundant by KOR. The status in Foundant should also change to Decision: Approved.

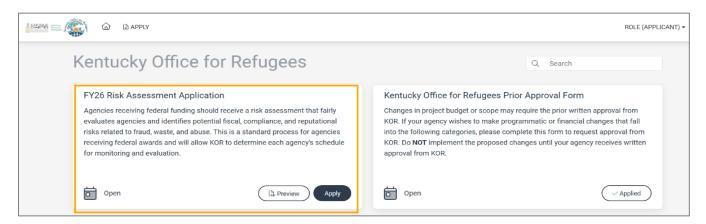


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## **Risk Assessment**

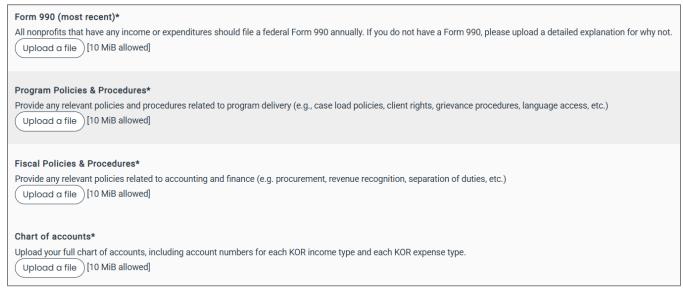
#### **Purpose of Risk Assessment**

All subrecipients will be required to submit a Risk Assessment once per year. Risk Assessments will evaluate agencies on potentially fiscal, compliance, and reputational risks related to fraud, waste, and abuse. Risk Assessment scores will determine whether an applicant has the infrastructure to receive a Federal award and determine how frequently a Subrecipient may be monitored.



### **Uploading Risk Assessment Documents**

Subrecipients should upload the required documents then click "Submit Application."





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# **Resources and Support**

#### **Additional Information on Completing Forms**

- Some questions have character limits.
- You will not be allowed to submit the form until the length of your responses to these
  questions fits within the character limits.
- Responses that are longer than the limit will be saved, but an error message will appear informing you that the limit has been exceeded.
- File upload questions only accept one file per question.
- If you attempt to upload a file that is larger than the limit, you will receive an error message informing you that the file is too large and the file will not be saved.
- If you attempt to upload a file in an unaccepted file type, you will receive a warning that the file type is not acceptable; you will not be able to upload the file.
- Once a file has been uploaded, it can be deleted by clicking the X icon next to the file name.
- An application may use GLM's integration with Candid, which is based on the Tax ID on your organization profile. If you have claimed your Candid profile and filled out the information on it, then you can use the Copy Candid Profile button to fill out some questions on this form.
- An applicant may receive administrator comments from KOR on a saved or submitted form. The administrator comment will give information to the applicant on a specific question on the LOI or Application form. The information provided could mean that the applicant needs to add more information before the administrator can mark the form complete.

#### **Foundant Support**

For additional questions, please contact KOR's Grants Administrator Assistant, Hala Shadeh, at <a href="https://hshadeh@archlou.org">hshadeh@archlou.org</a> or at 502-637-9786 ext. 415.

Foundant Resources: <u>foundant.uberflip.com/page/resources-home-page</u>

Foundant Support Hub: <a href="https://support.foundant.com/hc/en-us">https://support.foundant.com/hc/en-us</a>