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Grants.gov Release Notes

R2025-02.1 Compliance and Consistency Updates to Post-Login Pages and Online Help

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Release Notes Overview

Summary of Changes

- Following this release, Search Grants will no longer be a drop-down option in the navigation menu. Users who have logged in to Grants.gov will be directed to the classic Search option, while users who are not logged in will be directed to the new Simpler Search option that is hosted on Simpler.Grants.gov.
- It also introduces accessibility improvements, such as 508-compliant menu navigation on post-login pages of the website, and improves overall website compliance with USWDS (the United States Web Design System).
- To provide users with a consistent experience across Grants.gov, this release shifts Online Help articles to the content management system (CMS) that is already in place across other portions of Grants.gov. The new Online Help pages can be found at https://grants.gov/help.

Impacts

- Users may need to update their own links if they have bookmarked certain Online Help pages. While the old links will continue to navigate to the old Online Help pages for a few months, Grants.gov will phase these out and therefore advises users to update bookmarks and reference materials now.
- For users who are not logged in, clicking Search Grants might briefly show the classic Search page before redirecting the user to the new Simpler Search.
- Users navigating from Grants.gov opportunity search links with filter criteria will need to reset filters when directed to Simpler Search.
- Navigation between Assistance Listings on SAM.gov and agency portals, and Simpler Grants will be unavailable in this initial release.