# **Greater Milwaukee Foundation New Grants Portal Guide**



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### **Grants Portal Overview**

In February 2019, Greater Milwaukee Foundation released a new Grants Portal replacing Philanthropy Online (POL) to facilitate our competitive grantmaking process.

This web portal is a web-based, secure platform that provides nonprofit organizations a single access point for information on the Foundation's competitive grantmaking process.

Upon log-in, users have access to their organization's contact information, grant requests and grants received since 2019.

### **Grants Portal Overview (cont.)**

- Improved modern technology
- **❖** Better information sharing
- Same application questions
- Same grantmaking priorities



### **Application process**

- Eligibility requirements
  - Board membership of 10 percent people of color
  - 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization
  - Milwaukee, Waukesha, Ozaukee and/or Washington counties
- Organizations register in the Grants Portal
  - New applicants create new profiles
  - Organizations that received discretionary funding through POL within the last five years will already have a profile
- All applications are accessed through Grants Portal

### **Access Grants Portal**

- 1. Via the Foundation's website, click on 'Grants Portal' in upper right corner
- 2. Directly, Grants Portal



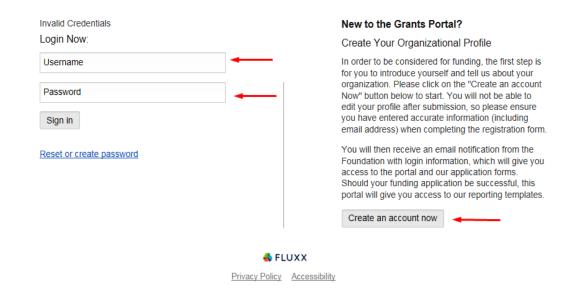
# Step 1: Login to Grants Portal



### Step 1: Login (cont.)

If you already have login credentials, enter them in the spaces provided (below, left) OR click 'create an account now' for new applicants (below, right). If this is your first time in the new system, you will need to create a new account.

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## Step 1: Login (cont.)

### TIP

**Username:** The username is the email address entered during registration.

**Password:** Password must be at least 4 characters in length. Alpha, numeric and special characters are accepted. The password cannot repeat the same character back-to-back.

## Step 2: Basic navigation



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Welcome to the Grantee Portall

#### From this webpage, you can . . .

- Submit a proposal for funding
- Track the status of your pending proposal
- Upload your signed grant agreement
- · Review your current grants and report due dates
- · Submit reports
- · Monitor grant payments

#### HOW TOUSE THE PORTAL

The icons on the left-hand side are called "cards". When you click on the link beneath each card, you are access the following:

#### REQUESTS

- Pending Requests
  - Once you have submitted a proposal, you can find a read-only version here.
- Request to Edit

Once you have been invited to submit a proposal, the application is available via this link. If the staff have any questions about your you will receive an email alert to login. You can find the proposal here, available for editing.

Submitted

Once you have submitted your proposal, the proposal appears in the Submitted Requests link

#### GRANTS

Active

After the staff has received the countersigned agreement, you can find a read-only version here via this link.

- 1. Left-side, gray panel shows different portal sections; click on 'Grantee Portal'
- 2. A listing of functions available within this section
- 3. Review information in 'How To Use The Portal'

Each link within the leftside panel will provide access to different sections of the portal.

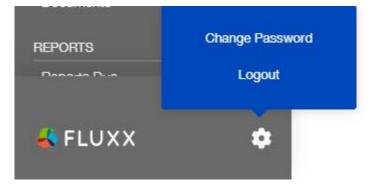


# Step 2: Basic navigation (cont.)



At the bottom of the left-side panel and to the right of the Fluxx logo there is a cog/gear symbol for settings.

Click on it the symbol to change your password or to log out.



## Step 3: Creating an account



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<u>e password</u>

#### New to the Grants Portal?

Create Your Organizational Profile

Please click on the "Create a New Account" button below to start. You will not be able to edit your profile after submission, so please ensure you have entered accurate information (including email address) when completing the registration form.

You will then receive an email notification from the Foundation with login information, which will give you access to the portal and our application forms. Should your funding application be successful, this portal will give you access to our reporting templates.

If you already have an account and a massword, please sign in now by filling in a user name and a password.

Create a New Account

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Click on 'Create a New Account' to go to the profile registration page.



# Step 3: Creating an account (cont.)

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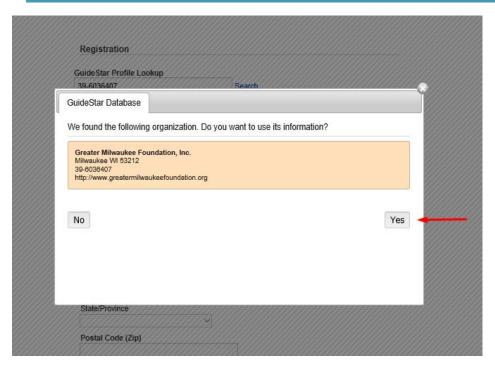


Enter the nine-digit federal Employee Identification Number (EIN) in field labeled 'GuideStar Profile Lookup' and click search.

Provided the EIN entered is registered as a 501(c)(3) with the IRS, the Organization Info fields will auto-populate based on the information in GuideStar.

If the information does not auto-populate, manually enter information in all fields. This could occur when the organization is a public school or other government entity. Please reach out to <a href="mailto:ciadmin@greatermilwaukeefoundation.org">ciadmin@greatermilwaukeefoundation.org</a> if you have any questions about this.

## **Step 3: Creating account (cont.)**



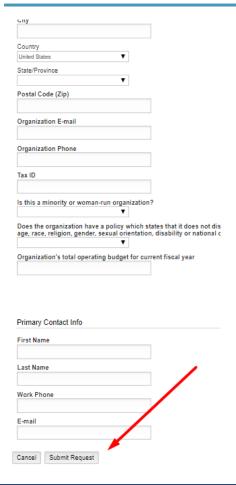
If the information did auto-populate per GuideStar, this popup box will appear.

Select 'yes' if the information is correct.

Select 'no' if the information is incorrect, manually populate the fields.

**Tip:** Please consider updating GuideStar with current organization information. This will ensure it is correct not only on the Foundation's applications but for other funders relying on GuideStar as well.

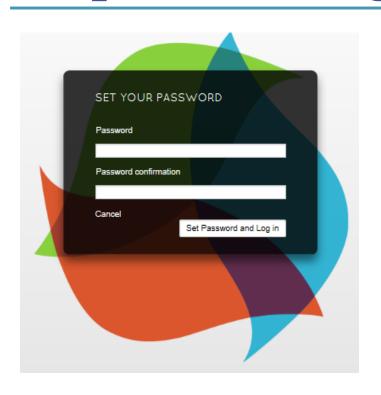
# Step 3: Creating account (cont.)



Once all of the new fields are completed and confirmed correct, click the 'Submit Request' button. A popup box will appear.



## **Step 3: Creating account (cont.)**



Proceed to the email account associated with the address entered in your organization's profile and look for an email from 'Greater Milwaukee Foundation.'

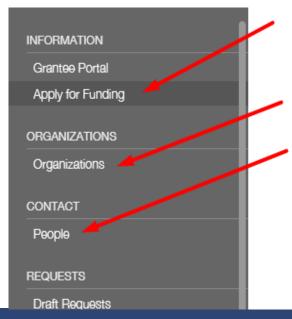
Click on the link provided in the email to verify the account. The 'Set Your Password' popup box will appear.

**Password Tip**: Password must be at least 4 characters in length. Alpha, numeric and special characters are accepted. Cannot repeat the same character back-to-back.

## Step 4: Apply for funding

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Login to Grants Portal.

Before starting an application, it is important to ensure your nonprofit's information is correct. Review the 'Organizations' and 'People' sections, updating as needed.

Once information is confirmed correct, select 'Apply for Funding'.

# Step 5: Apply for funding (cont.)

#### BASIC APPLICATION

Description, Eligibility, Additional Information, and Application Links

· Text Description

APPLY (Basic Application)

#### **BRANCHING APPLICATION**

Description, Eligibility, Additional Information, and Application Links

· Text Description

Apply for Branching Application

#### COMPREHENSIVE APPLICATION

Description, Eligibility, Additional Information, and Application Links

Text Description

Apply for Comprehensive Application

There will be several different application options. Each will have a complete description to help you choose which application is best for your situation.

Click on the correct option and proceed with the completion of the application.



### **Contact information:**

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## **Coming Soon:**

### **Stay tuned for Grants Portal Guide updates including:**

- Communicating with Greater Milwaukee Foundation staff Grants Portal as a communication tool
- Grant Agreement
   How to sign a Grant Agreement via DocuSign within the Grants Portal
   How to view your executed Grant Agreement(s)
- Payments
   How to use the Grants Portal to view a grant payment schedule
- Reports
   How to use the Grants Portal to see report schedule
   How to submit a grant report within the Grants Portal