U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Housing Counseling
Completing the Federal Financial Report
(Standard Form 425)
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Training Topics

- Purpose of the Form
- Submission Requirements
- Completing the SF-425
- Common Errors
- Things to Remember
PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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• The SF-425 form also referred to as the Federal Financial Report (FFR) is a required Office of Management and Budget (OMB) financial reporting form to track the status of financial data tied to a particular Federal grant award.

• Captures the obligations and disbursements that occurred during the grant period not just the quarter being reported.

• A separate SF-425 must be done for each grant.
SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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- Intermediaries, SHFAs, and MSOs are required by the HUD grant agreement to submit a FFR/SF-425.
- Due no later than 30 calendar days after the last day of a calendar year quarter.
- Submit every quarter, regardless of whether expenses were incurred or not, once the project has begun.
- All lines must be completed (enter 0.00 or N/A)
- If expenses have not yet been incurred during the life of the grant, report a zero cumulative total.
- If delinquent in prior period reporting, once the project has begun or at least one report has been submitted, submit delinquent report for each quarter.
SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For Example:

The current reporting period is for the quarter ending 03/31/16, and the grant is not yet expired. The Grantee’s last quarterly report was submitted for the quarter ending on 06/30/15. The Grantee must submit individual quarterly reports for the reporting periods ending:

- 09/30/15
- 12/31/15
- 03/31/16
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### FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORT

| Block 1. | Office that awarded the agreement |
| Block 2. | HUD agreement number |
| Block 3. | Recipient address - same as on the grant agreement |
| Block 4a. | Recipient DUNS number |
| Block 4b. | Recipient EIN number |
| Block 5. | Leave blank since HUD did not issue a recipient number |
| Block 6. | Reporting frequency as specified in the agreement |
| Block 7. | Recipient accounting method, Cash or Accrual (Cash basis refers to the accounting method in which expenses are recorded when they are paid. For accrual basis, expenses are recorded when incurred.) |
| Block 8. | Grant period of performance (not to be confused with the reporting period end date) |
| Block 9. | The quarter end date of the current reporting period |

### Example Fill-in-

- **HC150941006**
- **XYZ Housing Counseling Agency, 6500 Highway Avenue, Washington, DC 20002**
- **069500251**
- **43-1569215**
- **Quarterly**
- **Cash**
- **10/01/2014**
- **03/31/2016**
- **09/30/2015**
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Block 10. Transactions

FEDERAL CASH: Enter cumulative amounts from the date of award through the end date of the current reporting period

a. Cash receipts - amount of federal funds drawn down
b. Cash Disbursements - amount of federal funds paid out
   • Cash based accounting (a) should equal (b)
   • Accrual based accounting (b) is usually greater than (a)
c. Cash on Hand
   Cash based accounting should be $0.00 as recipient should not have drawdown any funds greater than that expended. If line (c) is greater than $0.00 AN EXPLANATION MUST BE PROVIDED.
   Accrual based accounting will usually be a negative number representing the amount of money owed to recipient (funds expended but not yet reimbursed)
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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance:</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>d. Total Federal funds authorized</td>
<td>$15,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>e. Federal share of expenditures</td>
<td>$4,950</td>
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<tr>
<td>f. Federal share of unliquidated obligations</td>
<td>$0</td>
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<tr>
<td>g. Total Federal share (sum of lines e and f)</td>
<td>$4,950</td>
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<tr>
<td>h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g)</td>
<td>$10,050</td>
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### FEDERAL EXPENDITURES AND UNOBLIGATED BALANCE:

d. Cumulative obligated (awarded) amount of federal funds to include original obligation and any modifications

e. Cumulative federal dollars spent as of the reporting period end date (usually the same as Line (b))

f. Refers to recipient outstanding amounts owed to sub-recipients, contractors or vendors (if any) as of the reporting period end date. If there are no recipient obligations enter $0.00

g. Line (e) + Line (f)

h. Line (d) – Line (g) = the amount of federal funds remaining
Cumulative reporting provides a sum of expenditures for the life of a grant. To arrive at your cumulative total, add all expenses incurred to date.

In the example that follows and Block 10e-Federal Share continues to increase in each successive SF-425 to show the total amount of expenditures to date. If a Grantee finds that a reporting error has occurred, and in order to correct the SF-425 a deduction from either block is necessary, the Grantee is required to make a notation in Block 12-Remarks.
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For Example:
- For the reporting period 07/01/15 to 09/30/15, Federal expenditures = $5,000
- For the reporting period 10/01/15 to 12/31/15, Federal expenditures = $3,310

The Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance Section of the report should be completed as follows:

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<th>SF-425 Reporting Period Ended 09/30/2015</th>
<th>SF-425 Reporting Period Ended 12/31/2015</th>
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<td>10g. Total Federal Share (sum lines e &amp; f)</td>
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<td>5,000</td>
<td>8,310</td>
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<td>10h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g)</td>
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<td>10,000</td>
<td>6,690</td>
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This section must be completed only if there is a cost share or match required by the agreement. Since there is no cost share or match required under the HUD grant, Lines (i), (j) and (k) should be marked “N/A”.

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<th>Recipient Share:</th>
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<tr>
<td>i. Total recipient share required</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<tr>
<td>j. Recipient share of expenditures</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<tr>
<td>k. Remaining recipient share to be provided (line i minus j)</td>
<td>NA</td>
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**PROGRAM INCOME:**

This section must be completed if the recipient will generate any income as a result of work performed under this agreement. If no income will be generated Lines (l), (m), (n) and (o) should be marked N/A. For all others:

- **l.** Amount of income earned as a result of this agreement
- **m.** Refer to agreement
- **n.** Refer to agreement
- **o.** Line (l) – line (m) or (n) as applicable

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<tr>
<th>Program Income:</th>
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<tr>
<td>i.  Total Federal program income earned</td>
<td>$200</td>
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<tr>
<td>m.  Program income expended in accordance with the deduction alternative</td>
<td>$200</td>
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<tr>
<td>n.  Program income expended in accordance with the addition alternative</td>
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<td>o.  Unexpended program income (line l minus line m or line n)</td>
<td>$0</td>
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Block 11. Indirect Expenses
This section must be completed if recipient is charging indirect costs, otherwise leave blank.

a. Type of indirect cost rate: Provisional, Predetermined, Final or Fixed
b. Rate (%) in effect during the reporting period
c. Beginning and ending dates for the effective rate
d. Amount of the base against which the rate was applied. Ex: if the agreement provides for indirect costs and the rate negotiated was computed using salaries and wages only, then the rate may only be applied to the amount paid for salaries and wages (not to travel, equipment, or other direct costs etc.)
e. Multiply 11(b) x 11(d) f. 11(f) = 11(e) unless charging the government less than the indirect costs incurred. g. Enter totals for columns 11(d), 11(e) and 11(f)
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### Block 12. Remarks
Enter or attach any explanation recipient feels should be included with the report

### Block 13. Certification
Please make sure all information is legible.

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<th>a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official</th>
<th>c. Telephone (Area code, number and extension)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Robin L. Booth, CPA</td>
<td>410-309-4929, ext. 201</td>
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<tr>
<th>b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official</th>
<th>d. Email address</th>
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<tr>
<td>Robin L. Booth, CPA</td>
<td><a href="mailto:robinb@bmc-llc.net">robinb@bmc-llc.net</a></td>
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<th>e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)</th>
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- Incomplete forms
- Not reporting the correct grant number
- Not capturing the accurate reporting type
- Not reporting the accurate reporting period end date
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<th>Cumulative</th>
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<td><em>(Use lines a-c for single or multiple grant reporting)</em></td>
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<td>Federal Cash (To report multiple grants, also use FFR Attachment):</td>
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<td>b. Cash Disbursements</td>
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<td>c. Cash on Hand (line a minus b)</td>
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- **10 (a)**, Not reporting the correct amount of the grant funds authorized (received) as of the beginning of the grant reporting period to the reporting period end date

- **10 (b)**, Not reporting the correct amount of Federal funds disbursed from the start of the award through the reporting period end date
COMMON ERRORS

Notable Reasons for the Net Effect on Cash on Hand:

Positive (Excess) Cash Flow:
- Per Diem rate may be too high

Negative Cash Flow:
- Per Diem rate may be too low
10 (e), Not reporting the correct amount of actual disbursements (direct and indirect expenses) charged to the grant as of the reporting period end date. Do not include any Program Income expended.

10 (f), Not reporting all incurred expenses owed (unliquidated obligations) but not yet recognized
10 (l), Not reporting the cumulative amount of program income received during beginning of the grant reporting period to the reporting period end date.

10 (m), Not reporting the correct amount of program income expended for HUD grant activities supported under the grant during the reporting period end date.
COMMON ERRORS

Not including notes for the following exceptions:

- Cash on Hand,
- Unobligated balance of Federal funds,
- Unexpected Program Income.
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- Double-check to make sure the FFR is completed correctly and contains all required information and signatures.

- Have a copy of your award notification available for reference purposes.

- Have copies of the last reported FFR (to refer to), if not a new grant. If new, this would be the 1st report.
THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Report program outlays and program income on the same accounting basis (either cash or accrual) that it uses in its normal accounting system.

- Submit a ‘FINAL’ FFR for the duration of the grant with no unliquidated obligations before HUD can accept the “FINAL” FFR to close out the award.

- Request an extension in writing prior to the due date for the SF-425 is necessary.
Questions

Please forward any questions to

housing.counseling@hud.gov

with Completing the Federal Financial Report in Subject line