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# GrantWISE

Community for Fiscal  
& Programmatic  
Excellence in  
Discretionary Grants





"Don't tell me where your priorities are. Show me where you spend your money and I'll tell you what they are."

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James W. Frick

# Initial Breakout Discussions



- **“Green” Question:** Per your budget, what does your SPDG prioritize?
- **“Grey” Question:** What do you wish you could spend more \$\$ on?

# Purpose/Objectives

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1. How to work with procurement
2. Helpful resources for budgeting
3. Assistance with APR-related budget explanations
4. Other project management and process-oriented support, as needed



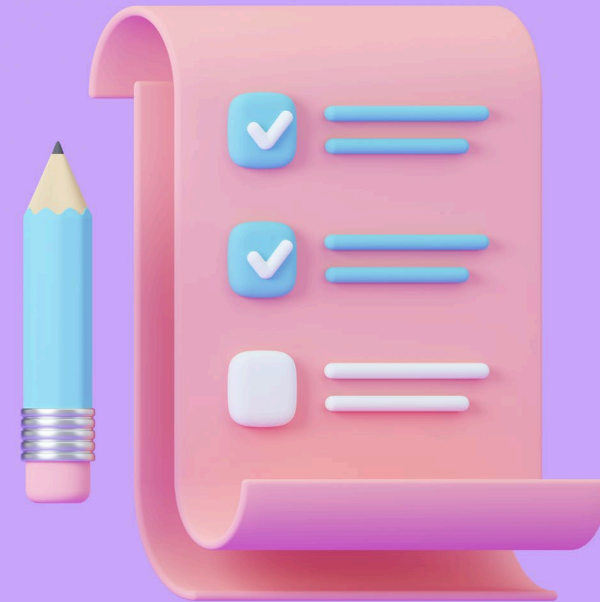
# Schedule

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Second Wednesday of every other month:

- July 8
- September 9
- November 11

Time: 3-4:00 pm ET



# Takeaways from Our Last Meeting

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## What's Working?

- **Having an experienced fiscal lead.**
- **Mentorship.**
- **Consistent reminders to LEAs.**
- **Weekly meetings with finance person.**
- **Accountability up and down – not just the SPDG team.**
- **Looking for abnormalities.**
- **Reviewing invoices as they come in.**
- **Understanding and patience**
- **Crosstraining, redundancy**

## Where do you need more help?

- **Onboarding process**
- **Scenarios where you can see practical application of the best practices and requirements.**
- **SIGnetwork helping with onboarding. New staff. 101 training.**
- **Consider quarterly training.**
- **Having processes and procedures written down.**

# Agenda

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- A Deeper Dive Into Procurement
- Breakouts to share policies, procedures, guidance.
- A New Resource for your Team
- Preparing for the Next Meeting

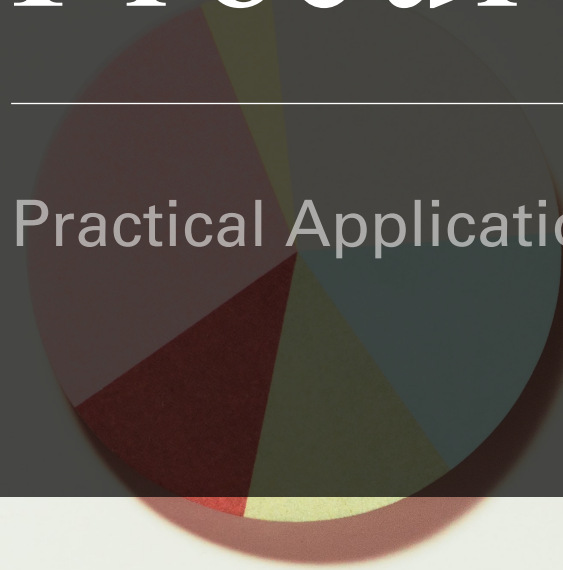




# A Deeper Dive into Procurement

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Practical Applications



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# Tennessee Taking the Next Right Step

Catherine Bledsoe



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# A New Resource for Your Team

For:

Onboarding

101 Training





# Breakouts to Review Fiscal 101

What is missing?

How else can we help with onboarding?

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# Volunteers for Further Review?



# Thank you

Email Jennifer or John with ideas and questions for the group:

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