

FTA Grants Overview

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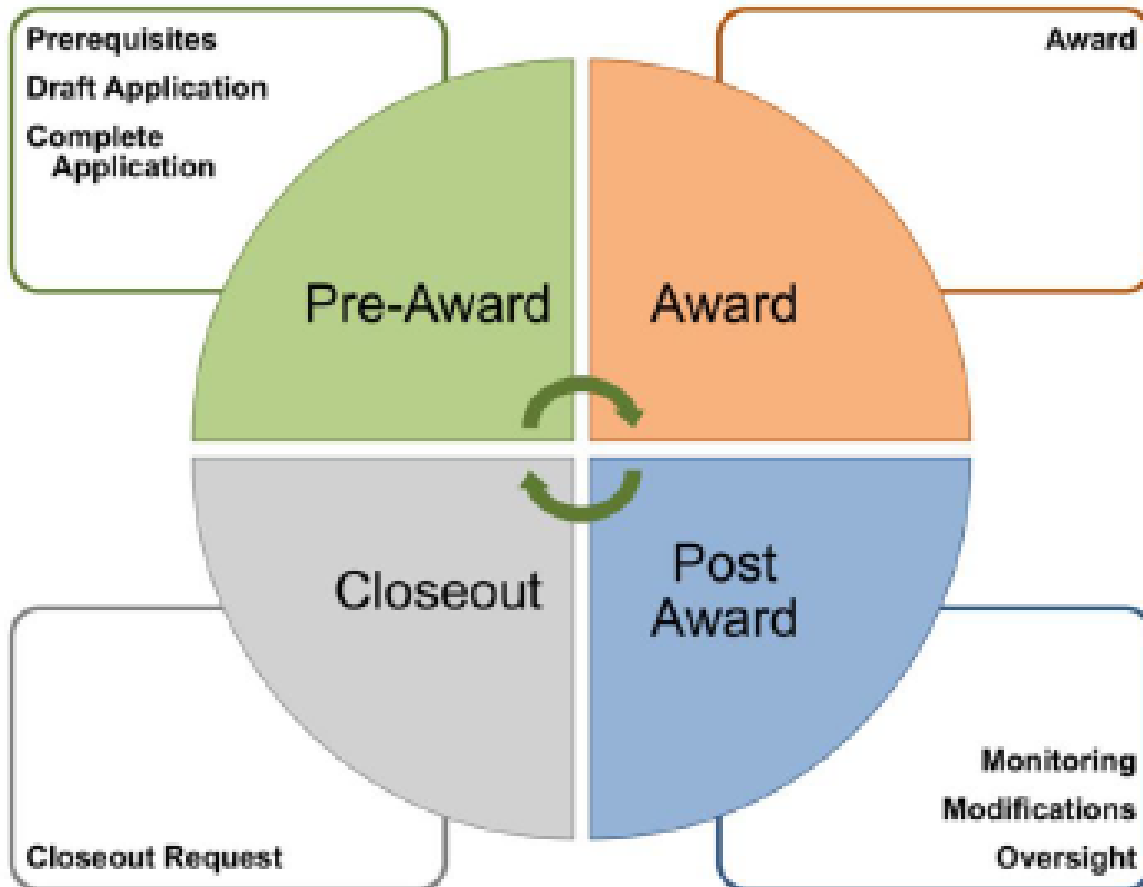


Grant Training Topics

- Grant Life Cycle
- Status in TrAMS
- Pre-Award
- Award
- Post-Award
- Closeout
- Recipient Specific Updates
- Questions & Answers



Grant Life Cycle

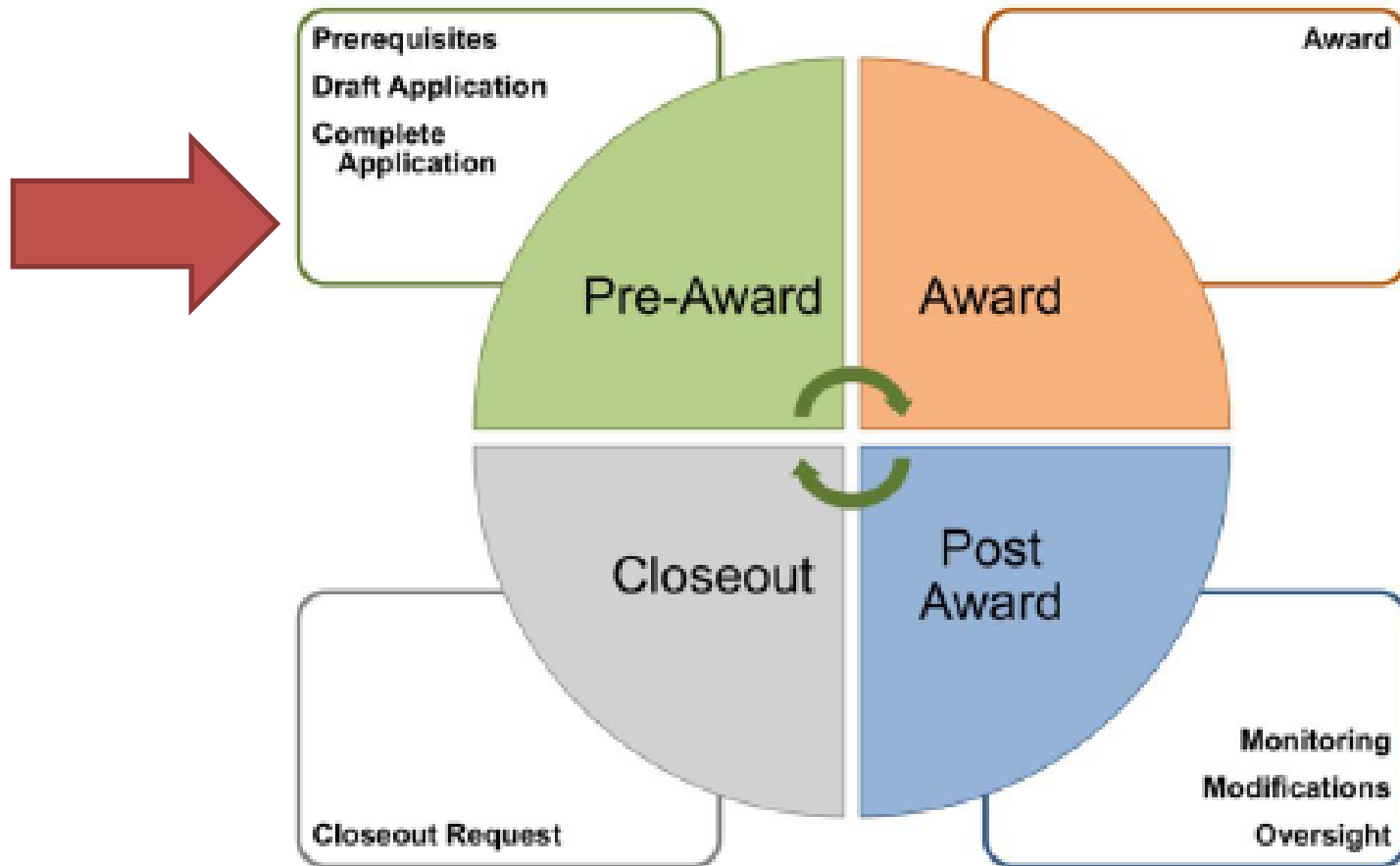


Status in TrAMS

- In-progress
- Initial Review / Concurrence
- Final Concurrence / Reservation
- Obligation
- Executed
- Active
- Closed



Pre-Award



Prerequisites

- SAM registration
- Annual Certifications and Assurances
- Authorizing Documentation
- Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASP)
- Civil Rights Programs – Review/Approval Status
 - Title VI Program
 - Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)
 - ✓Program
 - ✓Goal
 - Equal Employment opportunity (EEO)



Planning Documents

- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)



National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

Classes of Action

- Categorical Exclusion (CE) Class C & D
- Environmental Assessment (EA) - FONSI
- Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) - ROD



Technical Review & Concurrency

- Construction
- Real Estate
- Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Projects
- Rolling Stock Procurements
- Other Projects



Civil Rights Review & Concurrence

Civil Rights Programs

- Title VI Program
- Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)
 - ✓ Program
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Civil Rights Review & Concurrence (cont'd)

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)

- The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 prohibits discrimination and ensures equal opportunity and access for persons with disabilities
- ADA applies to all federal awards

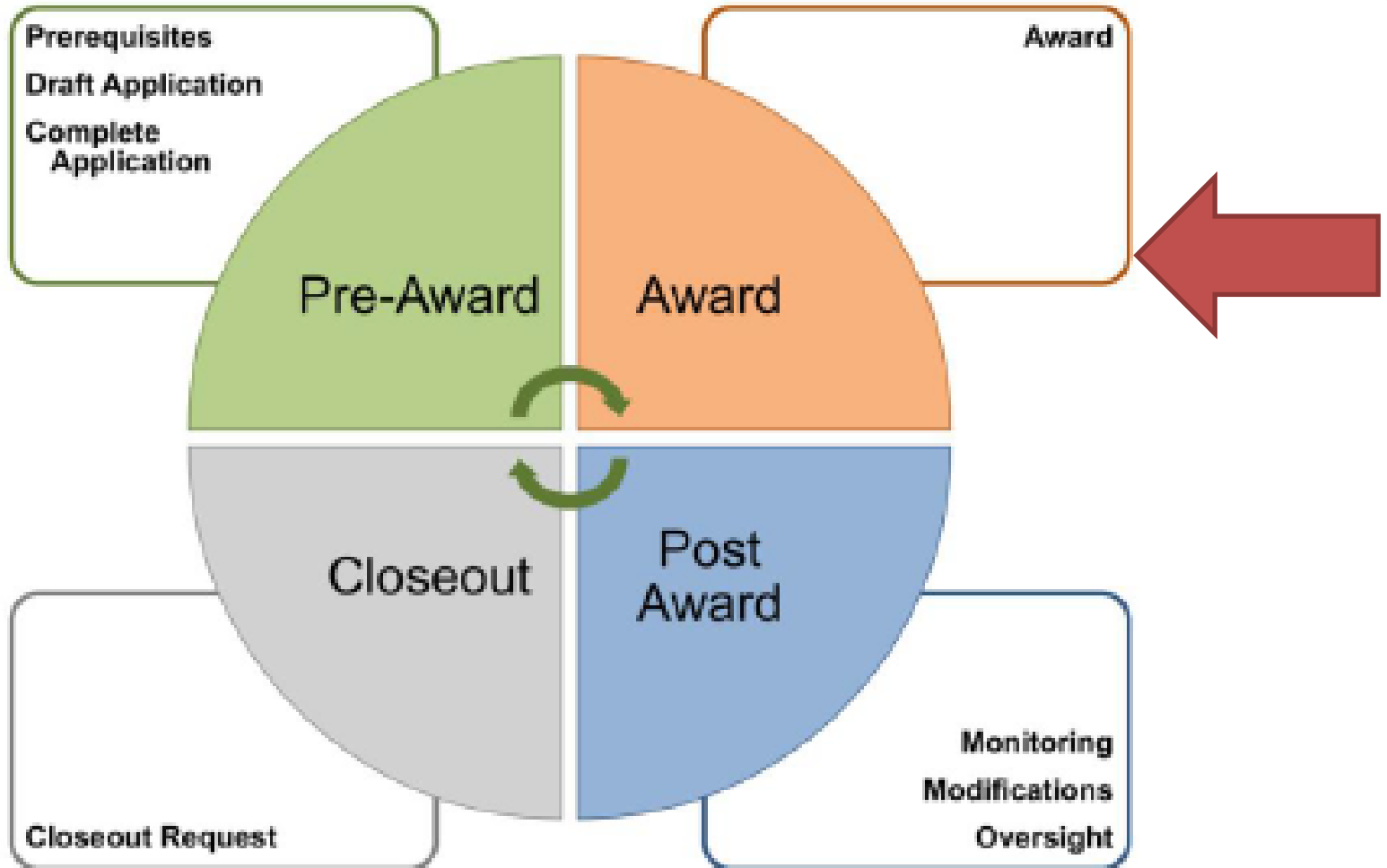


Department of Labor Certification

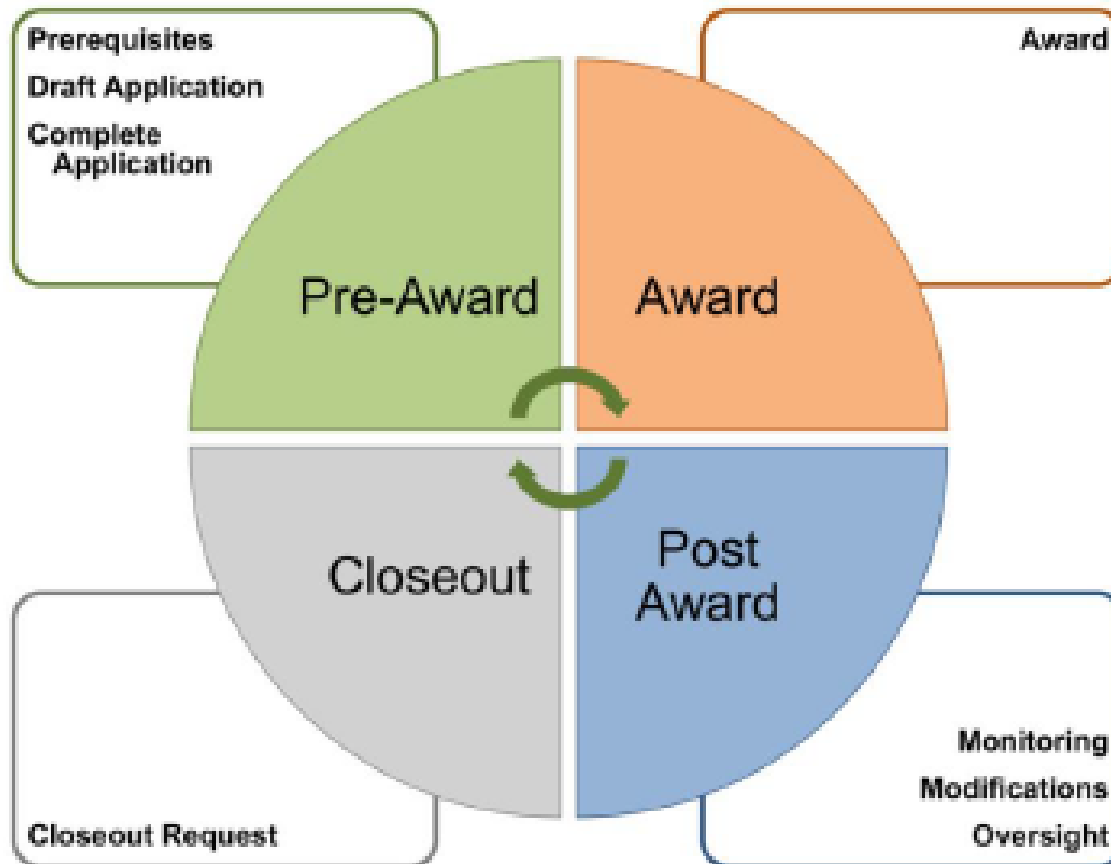
- All applications, except Section 5310, Section 5305 and Section 5311, require Department of Labor (DOL) certification
- DOL certification is required prior to award
- Certification times may vary based on size of recipient and number of labor unions involved



Award



Post-Award



Post Award Modifications

Budget Revisions

- Requires prior FTA approval

Award Amendments

- Treated as a new award
- Department of Labor (DOL) review, if applicable
- Requires full review and approval process



Reporting

Federal Financial Report (FFR)

- Provides a current, complete and accurate financial picture of grant activities during the reporting period

Milestone Progress Report (MPR)

- Provides a complete picture of project progress during the reporting period

Frequency of Reporting – varies by program and other thresholds

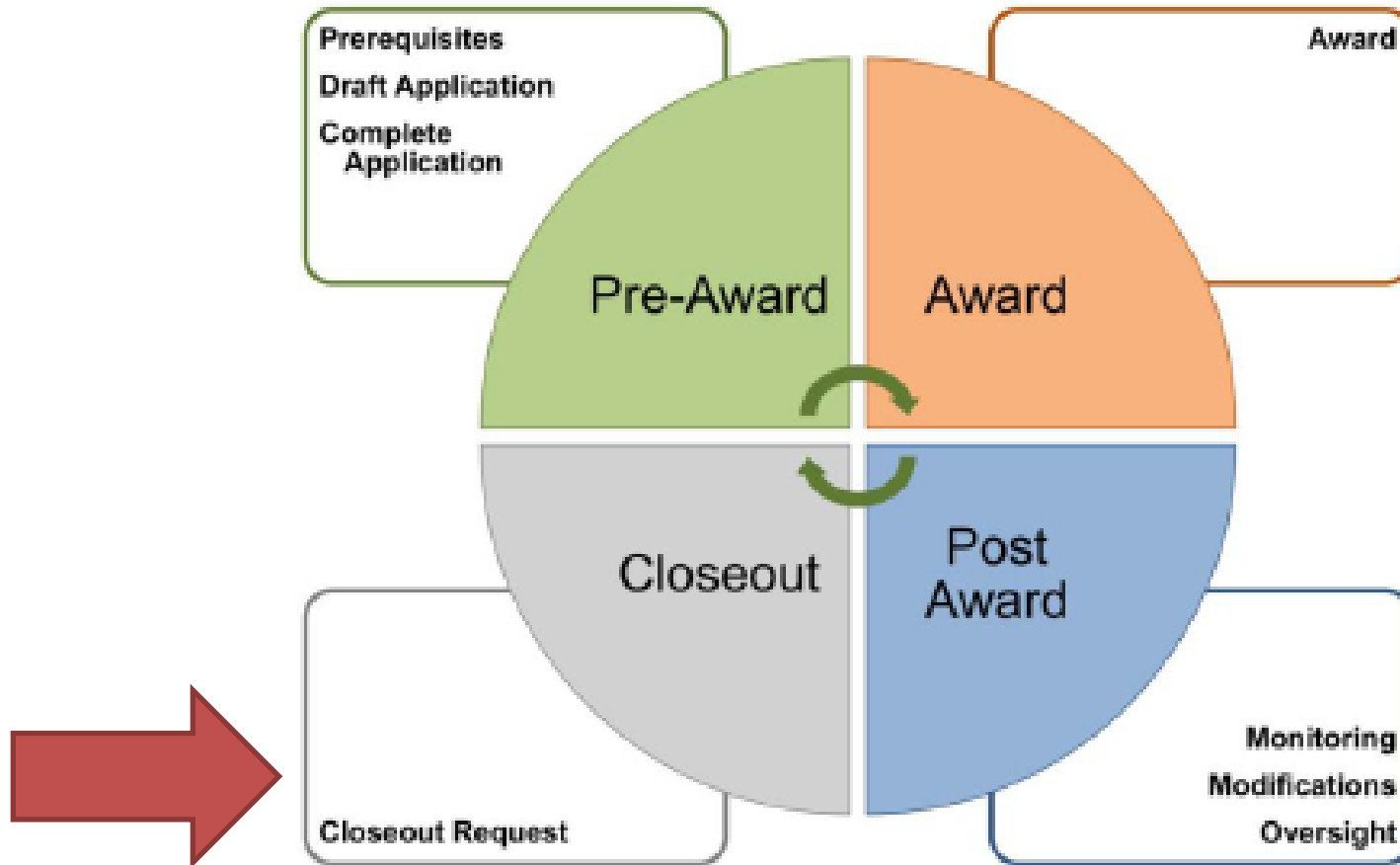
- Quarterly
- Annually

FTA Action

- Review/approve or return to recipient for corrections



Closeout



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Closeout Amendment

- Submit no later than 120 days after...
 - ✓ Period of Performance end date
 - ✓ All activities are completed OR All funds expended

Closeout Amendment Process

- Create amendment
- Complete budget reconciliation
- Complete and submit final FFR and MPR
- Upload list of property acquired or improved
- Validate and submit closeout
- FTA reviews and approves closeout



Resources for Recipients

TrAMS Help Desk

FTAITHelpdesk@dot.gov

- Phone: 877-561-7466
- Business Hours: 8:00 am-8:00 pm ET, Monday – Friday

TrAMS Information web page – Including the TrAMS User Guide and more

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grantee-resources/teamtrams/transit-award-management-system-trams>



Resources for Recipients (cont'd)

- **Circulars** webpage

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/fta-circulars/fta-circulars>

- **Transportation Planning**

[Transportation Planning | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)

- **Environment**

[Environmental Programs | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)

- **Program Oversight**

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/program-oversight/program-oversight>

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Questions





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