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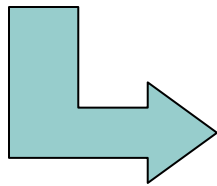
What is Research.gov?

Research.gov…

- Is a new initiative led by NSF that provides a menu of high priority services for multiple federal agencies in one location

- Is a modernization of FastLane and based on established policies and business processes that NSF employees, applicants, and awardees are familiar with.

- Is taking a phased approach to offer services that align with the needs of the research community and federal partner agencies.

- Aims to ease the grants administrative burden, one of the greatest challenges faced by the research community.

- Is a research-oriented solution for delivering Grants Management Line of Business (GMLOB) Consortium services.

NSF Grants Management Environment

End-to-End Proposal, Award and Financial Management Functions

"Find" Funding Opportunities and "Apply" for Grants

⭐ *Users can log into **FastLane & Research.gov** using the **same** user name, **NSF ID** and **password***

Why Research.gov?

- In 2004, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) launched the Grants Management Line of Business (GMLoB) Initiative to streamline grants management activities across agencies

- In 2005, OMB selected NSF to lead a Grants Management Consortium focusing service delivery on the research mission

- The selection was based on NSF's:

  - Focus on the research community

  - Twelve years of success with FastLane capabilities

  - Reputation for high standards in the research community

  - Leadership position in the grants community

  - Experience with government-wide initiatives
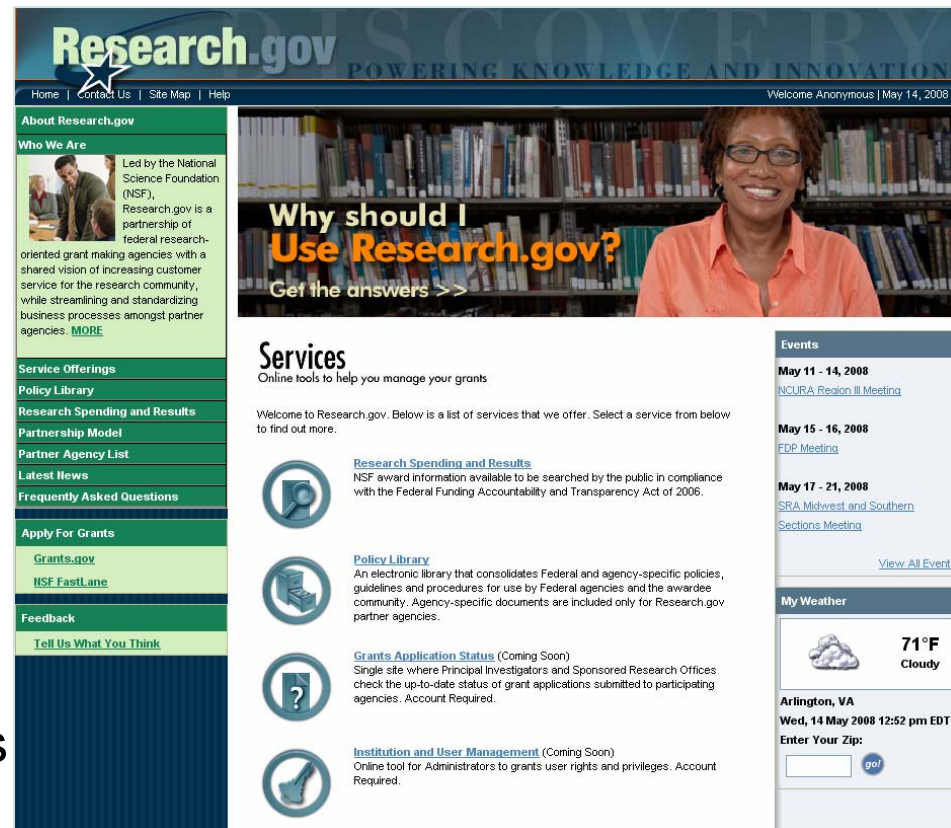
Research.gov Partnerships

- **Research.gov** simplifies the research community's access to information and grant services for **multiple federal agencies**
  - National Science Foundation (Consortium Lead)
  - National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Partner)
  - Department of Defense Research (Partner)
  - USDA's Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (Partner)

Research.gov Released!

- In December 2007, NSF released initial public-facing service offerings, including:
    - Research Spending and Results
    - Policy Library
    - Research Headlines

- In February 2008, NSF released initial business services for registered grantees in Beta mode:
    - Grants Application Status
    - Institution and User Management

This is Just the Beginning…

- Research.gov will deliver services based on the priorities of the research community.   Candidate upcoming service offerings include**:**

  - **InCommon Pilot** – Tool to allow grantees to login to Research.gov using credentials issued by their research institution.

  - **Principal Investigator/Reviewer Profile Update** - Integrated online tools to allow Principal Investigators and Reviewers to update their profile in one easy place.

  - **Federal Financial Report -** Online tool to complete and submit grant financial reports using the new government-wide standard form.

  - **Research Performance Progress Reports -** Online tool to complete and submit research performance progress reports using the new government-wide research and related dataset.

  - **Research Spending and Results Sub-award Search -** Sub-award information from NSF and partner agencies available to be searched by the public

  - **Payments and Cash Requests -** Online tools to request electronic funds disbursement and payment.

  - **Program Officer Service -** Tools for program officers to find information and manage their grant portfolios.