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Starting with the upcoming FY2013 AFG application period, a valid registration in the System for Award Management (SAM), formerly the Central Contractor Registry, or CCR, will be required in order to submit an AFG application. Federal law now requires that applicants to Federal grant programs have a valid registration within SAM.gov at the time of registration. Applicants will be asked to affirm that they have a current registration prior to submitting their application.

As part of the SAM.gov registration process, every eligible grantee must have their SAM.gov account validated through the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and have their CAGE (Commercial and Government Entity) code validated in order to be eligible for award. These validations are conducted as part of the registration process after the organization has submitted their SAM.gov registration. A valid SAM.gov registration is now also required for any payment or amendment request to an existing, open award. A valid SAM.gov registration is now also required for any payment or amendment request to an existing, open award. If your department has not yet registered within SAM.gov, you are encouraged to do. SAM.gov is administered through the Government Services Administration (GSA). Technical assistance may be obtained through the Federal Service Desk at 866-606-8220. Please be advised that during peak activity periods, it may take more than 2 weeks to complete the registration process.

REGIONAL WORKSHOPS AND WEBINARS NOW BEING CONDUCTED

In preparation for the FY 2013 application period, workshops and webinars are being conducted by AFG Regional Fire Program Specialists. Whether in person, or through webinars, these presentations provide a unique opportunity to learn firsthand about the funding priorities for the upcoming application period as well as provide an opportunity to bring your questions about the AFG grant programs directly to the experts. A [current listing of the workshops and webinars scheduled](#) are now available on the AFG website.

Schedules are subject to change and are updated frequently. Visit this website or contact your [Regional Fire Program Specialist](#) to confirm the workshop schedule for your region.

FY 2013 AFG TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TOOLS NOW AVAILABLE

In preparation for the FY 2013 AFG application period, the following [resources](#) are now available on the [AFG website](#):

- FY 2013 AFG Get Ready Guide
- FY 2013 AFG Narrative Guide
- FY 2013 AFG Self Evaluation for Operations & Safety
- FY 2013 AFG Self Evaluation for Vehicle Applicants
- FY 2013 AFG Regional Workshop Presentation

AFG has recently introduced a series of [videos](#) designed to provide additional technical assistance. Topics include:

- Getting a Grant
- Procurement Integrity
- AFG Vehicle Grants

Additional videos as well as the FY 2013 AFG Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) will be available soon.

AFG Home Page: www.fema.gov/firegrants

AFG Regional Representatives: <http://www.fema.gov/fire-grant-contact-information>

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