# Federal Program Title IV



Kirsten Baesler, State Superintendent 600 E Boulevard Ave., Dept. 201 Bismarck, ND 58505-0440

www.nd.gov/dpi

# Funding Your Plan: Budgeting Process for the Consolidated Application

#### Consolidated Application Process

#### **Consolidation Application**

Part 1 – Intent to Apply

**Part 2 - Narrative Sections** 

**Part 3 - Budget Building Process** 

#### **Federal Allocations**

- Final 2023-2024 Federal Title Allocations
- Preliminary Set-Aside Amounts 2023-2024

#### **Consolidated Application Resources**

- <u>Federal Title Programs Consolidated</u>
   <u>Application Guidance</u>
  - General Assurances

#### **WebGrants**

- WebGrants Login
- Web Grants User Guide

#### **Training Videos Applicable to All Program Areas**

- Logging In & Navigation
- Amendments
- Claims
- Multi-budget Claims
- Contracts

#### Timeline of Process and Support

#### **2023-2024 Budget Process in WebGrants**

- Part 1-Intent to Apply: Submitted by May 20, 2023
- Part 2-Con App Narrative: Submitted by June 30, 2023
- Part 3-Budget Process: Submitted by August 25
- Budget process begins after the release of final allocations and 5-7 business days after Con App Narrative approval
- District submits contract amendment to obligate funds to NDDPI no later than August 25, 2023

#### Best Practices for Funding Your Plan

#### Title IV

Federal Title funds help districts accomplish key initiatives which supports the K-12 Strategic Vision, and aligns to their local strategy map as described in the Con App narratives.

- Review purpose and allowable use of Title IV funds.
- Ensure program activities meet evidence-based criteria.
- Define staff roles and responsibilities for budgeting. Note- Time and effort logs should be kept for all employees paid with federal funds. You must account for all their time vs. just the portion paid with federal funds.
- Ensure budget reflects stakeholder consultation.

Update- Title IV has received clarification regarding School Nurse/eNurse and use of Federal Funds.

Use of Federal Title Funds for School Nurse/E-nurse

Successful outcomes for all depend on a collaborative team which has defined roles and responsibilities.

#### Title IV Budget Requirements

#### Districts \$30,000 and over:

- at least 20% of Title IV funds on activities to support well-rounded education,
- at least 20% of Title IV funds on activities to support safe and healthy students, and (all districts must track spending in these areas)
- \*a portion of funds on activities to support the effective use of technology AND of this portion, no more than 15% can be used on technology infrastructure. (all districts)

- School districts cannot spend more than 15% of the funds allocated for the Effective Use of Technology for purchasing technology infrastructure which includes:
  - Devices
  - Equipment
  - Software applications to address readiness shortfalls
  - Blended learning technology software and platforms
  - Digital instructional resources
  - One-time informational technology purchases

<sup>\*</sup>Reasonable amount to support a program or activity in this section.

## Con App Process for Budget Approval

- Once the Con App narrative is approved, the district will receive an Email/WebGrants notification
  - If you have not received this, there are corrections that are needed for your consolidated application so please check your Alert history
- Within 5-7 business days, NDDPI staff will create a budget(s) for the associated federal Title program(s) with all funds represented in the unobligated object code (950)

### Con App Process for Budget Approval

- District completes a Contract Amendment to obligate and justify program activities for the Initial Budget
  - The budget form provides allowable <u>object codes</u> with space for the district to describe activities.
    - Ensure object and tracking codes are accurately aligned to NDSDFARM within the budget and ledger.
    - Descriptions are required for all budget line items.
    - Claims cannot be made in object codes that don't have funds.
- NDDPI staff reviews the Contract Amendment/Initial Budget
  - If activities are allowable, the amendment is approved and a final budget is created by NDDPI staff
  - If changes are required, the Contract Amendment will be negotiated back for revision
- After the final budget is approved, districts will receive a Contract (grant award) which must be signed by the Authorized Representative before any claim can be made

#### **Budgeting Set-Asides**

#### Preferred Labeling

- PFE = Parent and Family Engagement
- Nonpublic "Name of School" = Nonpublic Equitable Services
- N&D = Neglected and Delinquent
- Homeless = Homeless services for identified students based on need

#### **General Reminders**

- Use labeling and enter name of school participating
- Include brief and specific budget description for each budget line item
- Funds used for a specific building, it is best practice to identify the school (i.e., Elementary, Middle, HS or enter name of school)

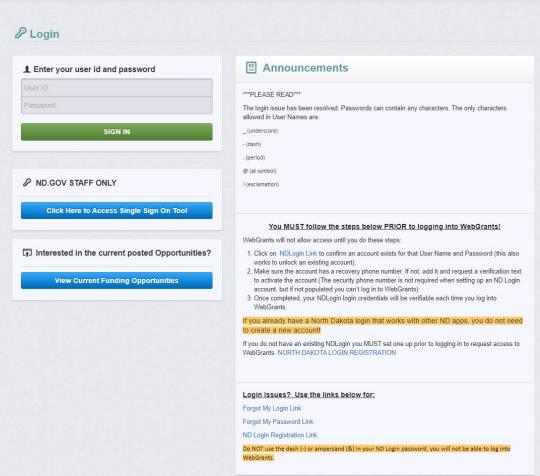
#### Steps to Create an Initial Budget in WebGrants

- 1. Log into WebGrants.
- 2. Select "Grants" in the left menu.
- 3. Select the grant you are working on.
- 4. Notice the awarded amount at the top of the page.
- 5. Under the "Grant Components" tab, select "Contract Amendment".
- 6. Select "Add Amendment"
- 7. Default is Status = "Editing" and Amendment Type = "Budget Revision"
- 8. Enter "Initial budget" in the Title line.
- 9. SAVE form.
- 10. Save form (green bar on the right side)
- 11. Select Budget Amendment Title IV (at the bottom under amendment details)
- 12. Select +Add Row
- 13. Select a category for coding (budget codes)
- 14. Select Budget Activity; SH (Safe and Healthy), WR (Well -Rounded), and EUT (Effective use of Technology)
- 15. Justification for Amendment- enter activity description that is specific but brief- establishes allowability and approvability
- 16. Enter Amount
- 17. Save Row
- 18. Repeat steps 12-17 for each activity

WebGrants Link: <a href="https://nddpi.grants.nd.gov/index.do">https://nddpi.grants.nd.gov/index.do</a>







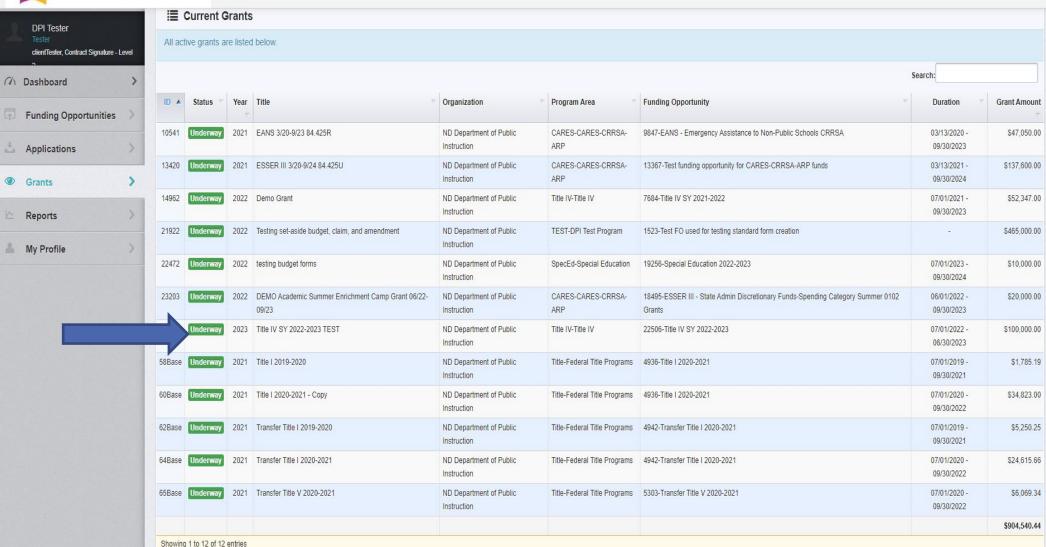


Successful outcomes for all depend on a collaborative team which has defined roles and responsibilities.

**Best Practices for Fiscal Procedures** 

- •Establish a process for submitting claims at least quarterly.
  - •Complete budget revisions at the time changes in activities occur.
- •Ensure district accounting ledgers ALWAYS match most current approved budget.



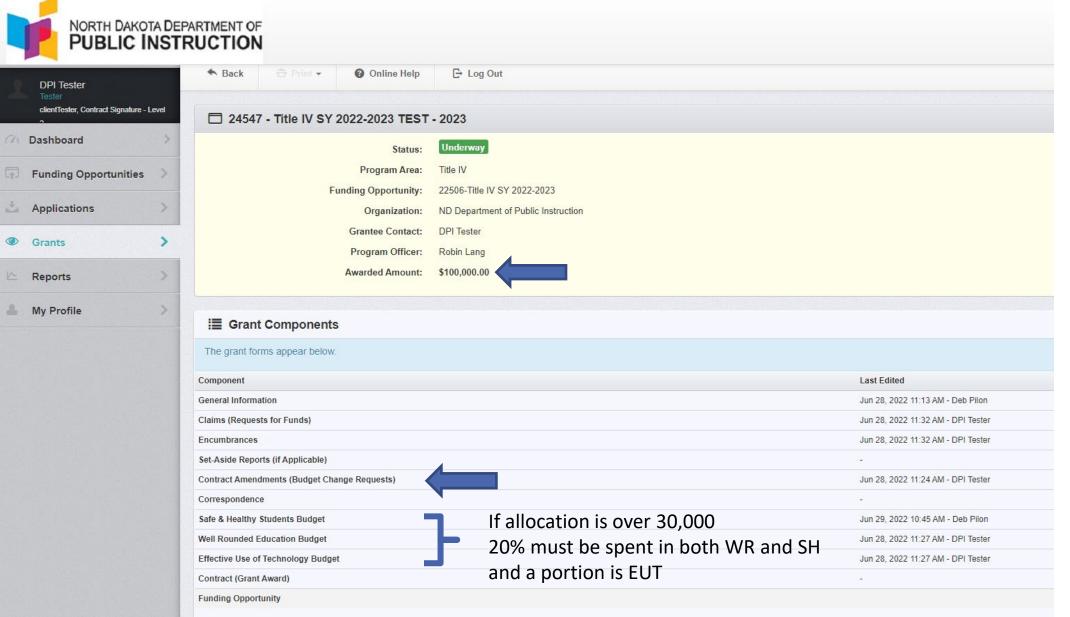


Log into WebGrants.

Select "Grants" in the left menu.

Select the grant you are working on.

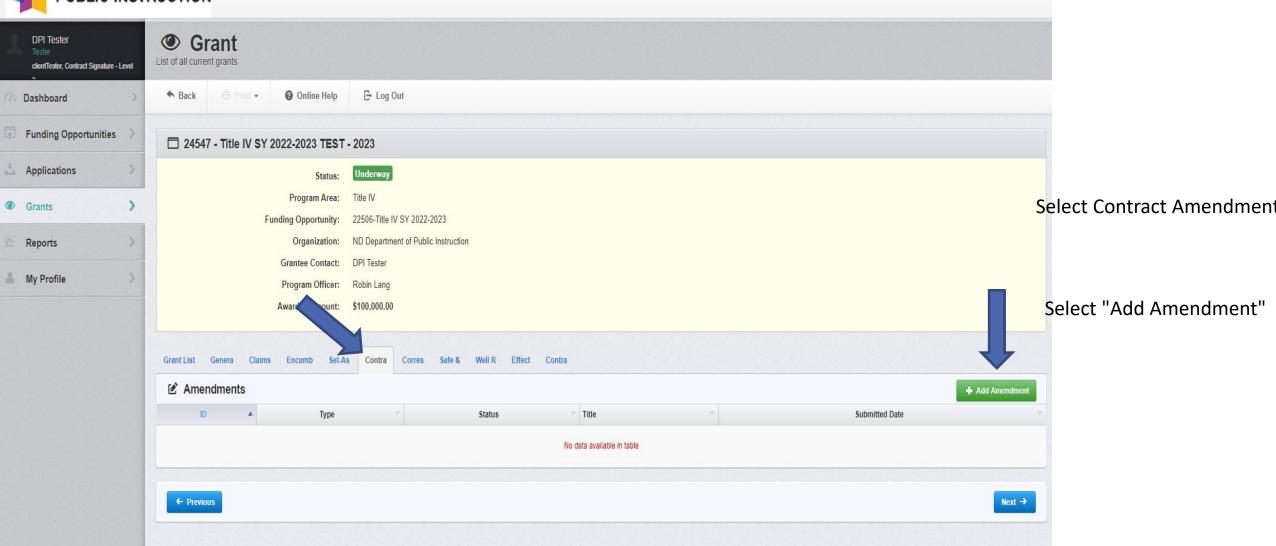
Title IV Budgeting Help Document.

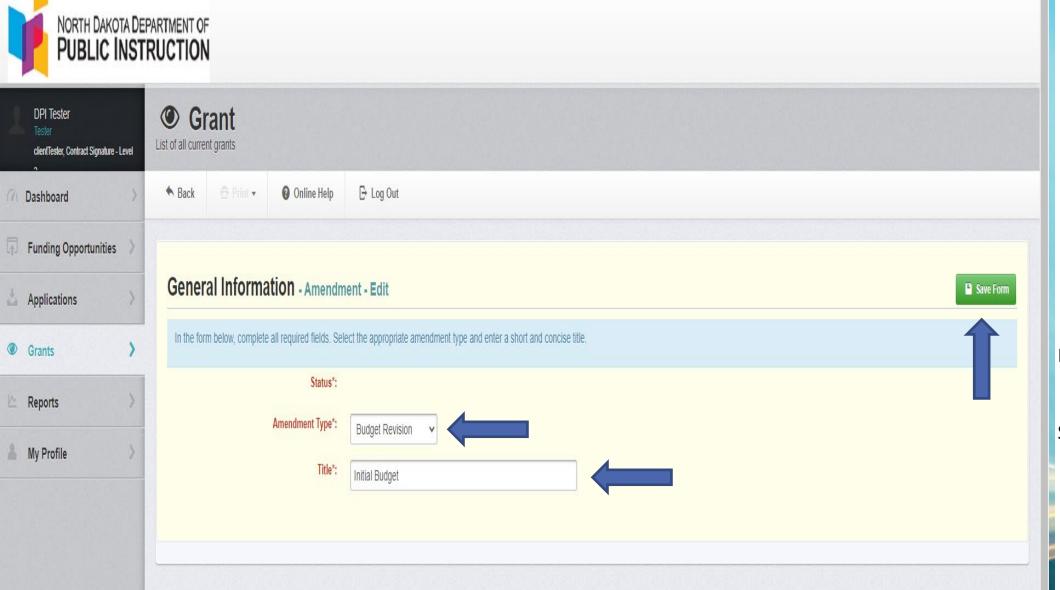


Notice the awarded amount at the top of the page.

Under the "Grant Components" tab, select "Contract Amendment".





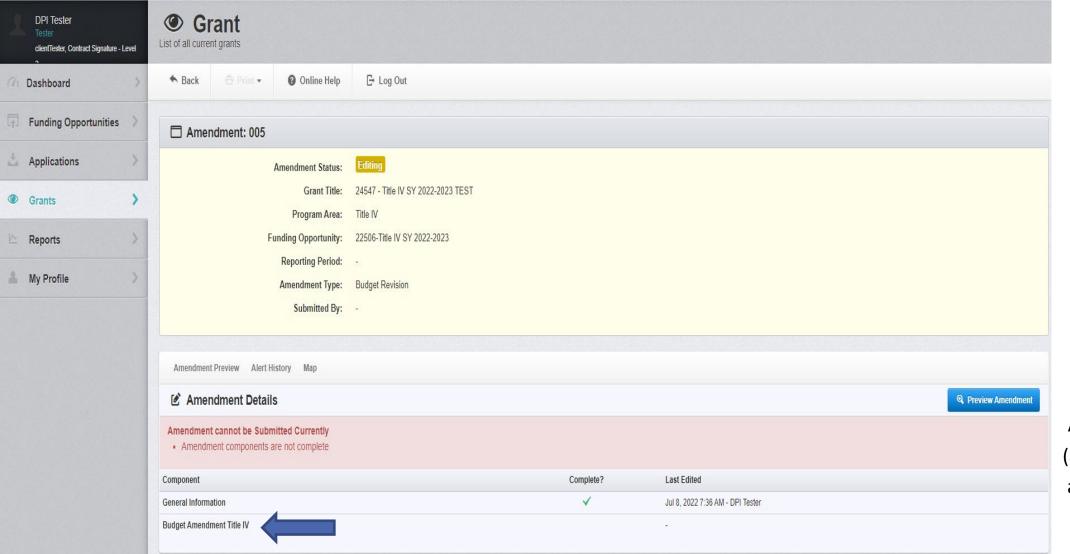


Amendment Type = "Budget Revision"

Enter "Initial budget" in the Title line.

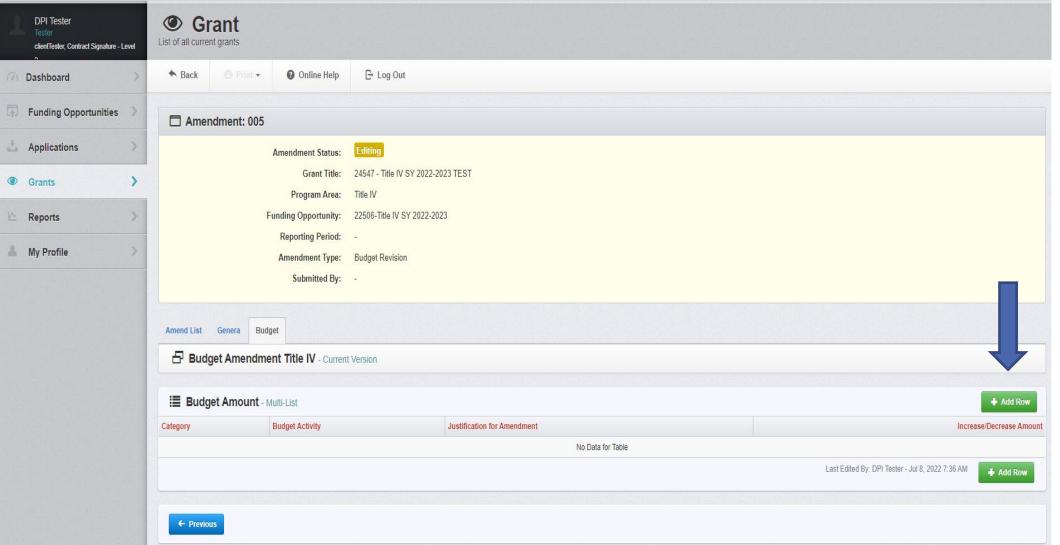
Save Form(green bar on right side)



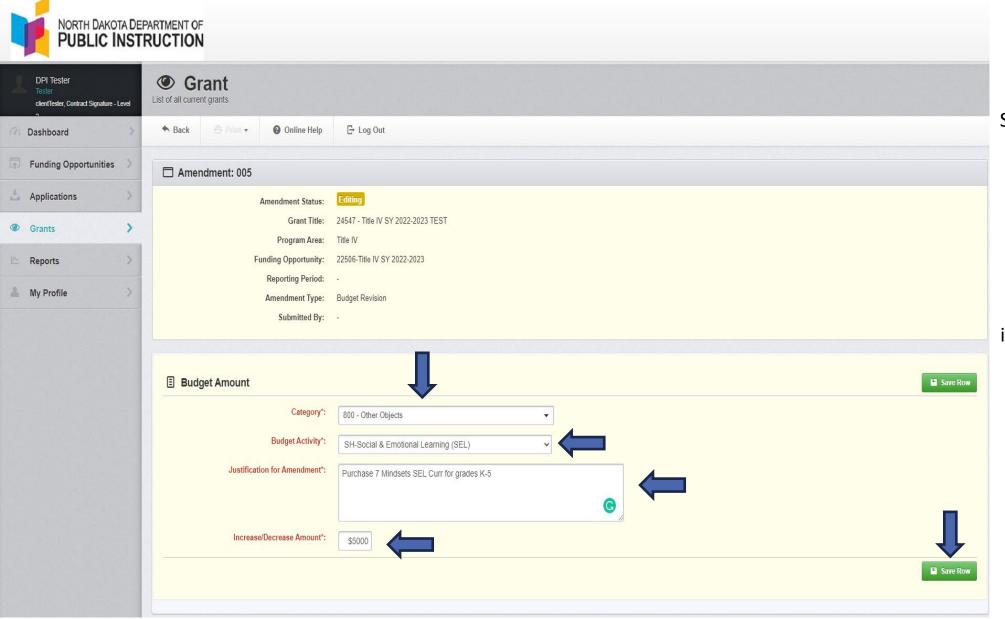


Select Budget
Amendment Title IV
(at the bottom under amendment details)





Select +Add Row



Select a category for coding (budget codes)

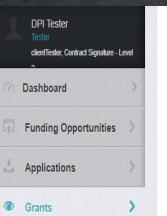
Select Budget Activity; SH (Safe and Healthy), WR (Well -Rounded), and EUT (Effective use of Technology)

Justification for Amendmententer activity description that is specific but brief- establishes allowability and approvability

**Enter Amount** 

Save Row

Repeat these steps for each activity



Reports

My Profile

Bismarck North Dakota 58505-0440 State/Province Postal Code/Zip Phone\*: (701) 328-2615 Ext. Phone ### ### #### Fax: Fax: ### ### ###

Address\*: 600 E. Boulevard Avenue

Dept. 201

Bismarck North Dakota 58505-

State/Province Postal Code/Zip

Phone\*: (701) 328-2260 Ext.

### ### ####

(701) 328-2260

### ### ####

SAM.gov Entity ID: PK7NX62L2QL2

Public Instruction, North Dakota Department Of

Example buildget



Budget Amendment Title IV

#### **Budget Amount**

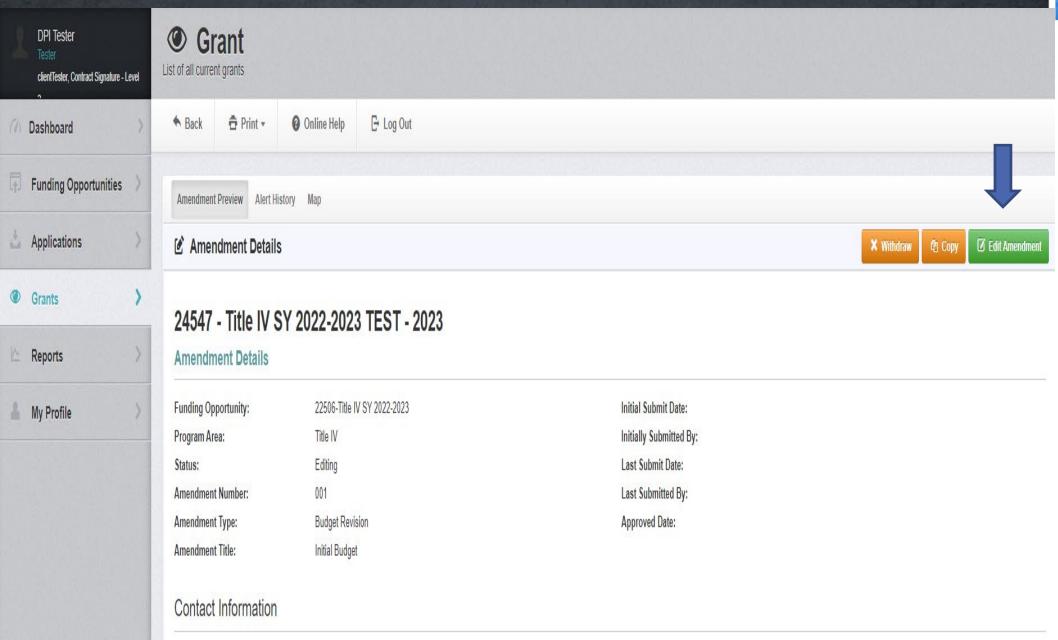
Category	Budget Activity	Justification for Amendment	Increase/Decrease Amount
300 - Purchased Professional and Technical Services	SH-Suicide Prevention	Based on district data, we are adding a suicide prevention program- Sources of Strength- amount if for contract	\$7,500.00
600 - Supplies and Materials	WR-Non-public	St. Joe's- they are adding a supplemental music program for Ukulele's. This will be for sheet music, and 30 Ukulel's at \$60.00 each. (1800)	\$2,200.00
110 - Salaries of Regular Employees-Certified Personnel	WR-Non-public	St Joe"s- Salary for after-school Ukulele club teacher.	\$1,200.00
200 - Personal Services-Employee Benefits	WR-Non-public	St. Joe's- Benefits for after-school Ukulele club teacher.	\$250.00
300 - Purchased Professional and Technical Services	SH-Campus Safety	Contract with the City of Bismarck for an SRO	\$21,373.79
800 - Other Objects	SH-Nutritional & Physical Education	Fitness Gram Software so students can track for overall social and emotional wellness.	\$894.00
800 - Other Objects	WR-Social & Emotional Learning (SEL)	7 Mindsets Curr. for grades k-5	\$5,000.00
300 - Purchased Professional and Technical Services	EUT-Professional Development	Aaron Knodel to train teachers on Schoology.	\$2,000.00
Unobligated	SH-Unobligated	TBD	\$60,000.00

If you do not have activities for all your funds, place them in the correct category under unobligated.

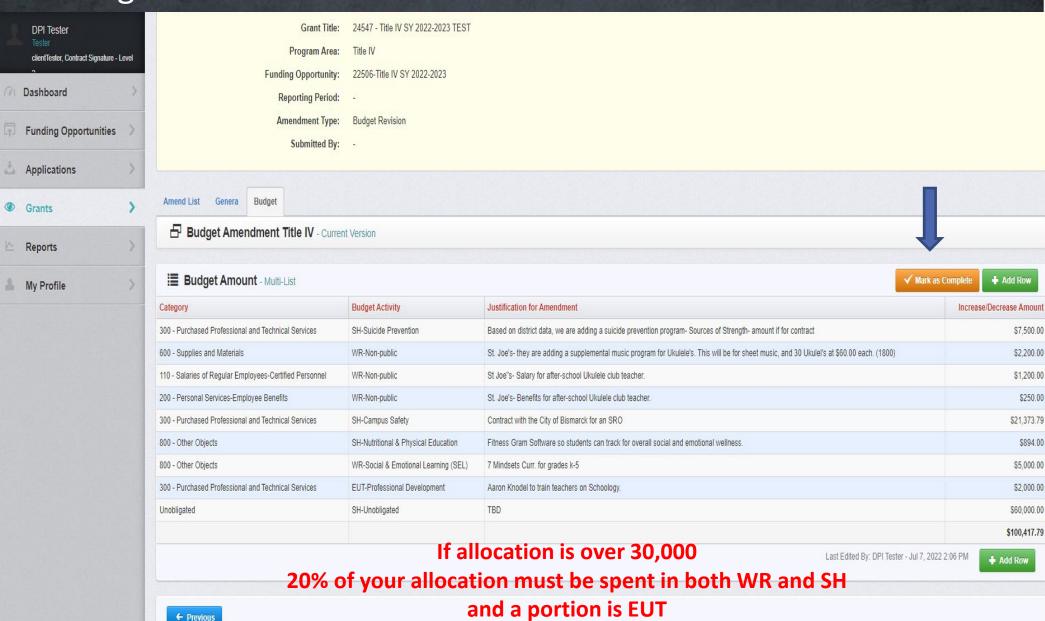
Note the total at the bottom is over the allocation of \$100,000 that we designated for this test application

This amendment would need to be edited to adjust amounts to match the allocation.

\$100,417,79



Remember
You can edit
amendments at
any time before
you submit.



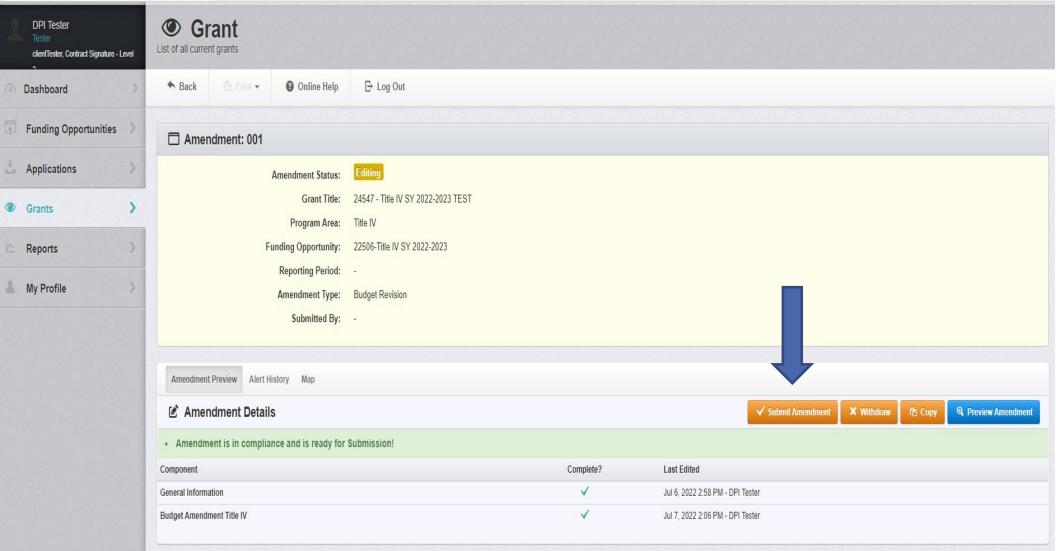
When you have entered all your activities:

Review for accuracy.

The total on the right side of the contract amendment should balance with your total Title IV allocation before you submit.

Mark as Complete, and (you can edit at any time before you hit submit)





Submit when ready



#### Reminders: Fiscal

- Ensure district Sam.gov registration is active. No Contract can be created unless it is active.
- Sign the Contract (i.e., grant award) in WebGrants and ensure the Contract shows "Executed"
- FUNDS MUST BE CLAIMED WITHIN 120 DAYS OF EXPENDITURE.
  - 2 CFR § 200.305(b) subgrantees, including LEAs, must minimize the time elapsing between disbursement by the subgrantee and the transfer of funds from the State
- Final Claim is made once all dollars are expended, and the grant has a \$0 balance
- Detailed ledgers are required to be uploaded with each claim, including the final claim
- Contract amendments may need to be made if funds are used for purposes outside of what was described in the approved Consolidated Application
- Complete assigned Status Reports for required set-asides
  - Title I Parent & Family Engagement, Neglected & Delinquent, and Nonpublic School Equitable Services
  - Status report due with claims through June 30<sup>th</sup> and \$0 balance NOTE: This only affects a small number of districts
  - Time and effort logs should be kept for all employees paid with federal funds. You must account for all their time vs. just the portion paid with federal funds.

Shelley Thurow
Title I Administrative Assistant
<a href="mailto:sjthurow@nd.gov">sjthurow@nd.gov</a>
328-2958



Lauri Nord

General Information &

WebGrants

Inord@nd.gov

328-2282

Jen Withers

Homeless

jwithers@nd.gov

328-4612

Michelle Siegfried Schoolwide & Foster Care <u>mlsiegfried@nd.gov</u> 328-3544



Deb Pilon
Title IV Fiscal Officer
<a href="mailto:dpilon@nd.gov">dpilon@nd.gov</a>
328-2753

#### **Consolidated Application Contacts**



Stefanie Two Crow
Title I & Equitable Services
<a href="mailto:stwocrow@nd.gov">stwocrow@nd.gov</a>
328-2287



Amanda Peterson, Director General Information/ TSI & CSI amandapeterson@nd.gov 328-3545



Ann Ellefson, Director
Title II & Title V Transfer
<a href="mailto:aellefson@nd.gov">aellefson@nd.gov</a>
328-2488



Davonne Eldredge Title II deldredge@nd.gov



Lucy Fredericks
Title III
Ikfredericks@nd.gov
328-1718



Taylor Olsen
Title II
tlolsen@nd.gov
328-2629





Brenda Ehrmantraut
Title II
blehrmantraut@nd.gov
328-1809



Cami Bauman
Title III Fiscal Officer
crbauman@nd.gov
328-2254



Robin Lang Title IV roclang@nd.gov 328-2265



Atiana Beck
Title III
atianabeck@nd.gov
328-1876



NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF **PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**