### Introduction

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## Welcome to the 2021 Customer Satisfaction Survey for EDA Grantees!

The objective of this survey is to gather feedback related to the post-award experience with EDA, including on the quality of the assistance offered by EDA pertaining to the work on your project\*. We greatly appreciate your time and insight! if you have any questions or concerns, please email programevealuation@eda.gov.

Your feedback will help us improve customer service to better serve you and communities and/or organizations like yours!

\*For purposes of this survey, "grant", or "award" refer to both grants and cooperative agreements.

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# **General Information**

Do you have a <b>multi-year award</b> with EDA?  O Yes O No
Please indicate the <b>fiscal year</b> of the award(s) that your organization had received (check all that apply):    FY 2020
☐ FY 2019
FY 2018
FY 2017
FY 2016
FY 2015
Other (Please Specify):
Under which <b>program(s)</b> did you receive an EDA award(s)? (Check all that apply)  Public Works  Economic Adjustment Assistance (including Disaster Supplemental/Assistance to Coal Communities)  Regional Innovation Strategies  Research and National Technical Assistance  Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms  Planning  Local Technical Assistance  University Centers
Which EDA <b>Regional Office</b> did you work with?

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# Demographic

100	ase identify what type of <b>entity</b> you represent:
	EDA funded Economic Development Districts (EDD)
	State government
	Local government
	Institution of higher education
	American Indian Tribe (or consortium of tribes)/Alaska Native tribal entity
	Other regional economic development organization
	Nonprofit organization
	Other (please specify)
Wha	at type of <b>geographic area</b> does your organization <b>primarily</b> represent?
0	Rural
0	Urban
0	Regional (Combination of Rural and Urban)
Wha	at <b>source</b> did you use to identify your region as Rural/Urban/Regional?
0	<u>Census.gov</u>
0	USDA ERS
0	Other (please specify)
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What was your experience with the EDA staff during the course of your grant:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	N/A
EDA staff responded to me in a timely manner when I had a question about the award.	0	0	Ο	0	0
EDA staff accommodated my circumstances and requests.	0	0	Ο	0	0
EDA staff provided me with a <b>reasonable</b> amount of time to respond to inquiries/resolve issues with my award.	0	0	Ο	0	0
EDA staff provided me with accurate and clear information.	0	0	0	0	0
EDA staff were responsive and helpful during the course of my grant experience.	0	0	Ο	0	0

Overall, I am satisfied with the customer service that EDA staff provided during the course of my grant:

0	Strongly	Agree
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Agree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

### **Process**

How straightforward were the following processes during the course of your grant experience:

	Very Straightforward	straightforward	Somewhat straightforward, needs improvement	complex	Very complex	N/A
Indirect cost processing	0	0	0	0	O	0
Progress reporting	0	0	0	0	0	0
GPRA/Performance reporting	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grant disbursement requests	0	0	0	0	0	0
GPRA site visits (if applicable)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grant close-out activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grant amendment processing	0	0	0	0	O	0

### Resources

In addition to funding, EDA provided me with resources necessary for successful project implementation during the course of my grant

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
0	0	0	0

Please rank the following resources provided by EDA in terms of their usefulness

StatsAmerica.org

EDA social media announcements

Research reports on eda.gov

EDA staff subject matter expertise

EDA forms and tools (https://www.eda.gov/tools/grantee-information/index.htm)

Other resources on eda.gov (e.g., CEDS guidelines)

The resources listed above convey information clearly	
O Strongly agree	
O Agree	
O Disagree	
Strongly disagree	
EDA and other Federal Grant-Making Agencies  Have you worked with other federal grant-making agencies in the past?  O Yes O No	

Compared to your grant management experience with other federal grant-making agencies, please rate your experience with EDA:

	Much better	Better	About the same	Worse	Moderately worse	Much worse
Ability to access funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ability to process amendments	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quality of information provided by staff	0	0	0	0	0	0
Timeliness and accessibility of staff	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quality and relevance of resources	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reporting process (including GPRA)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resources and tools (e.g., research, StatsAmerica, webinars)	0	0	0	0	0	0

Which other Federa	al grant-ma	king agencie	s have you wor	rked with?	
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Overall Satisfaction	on				
Based on your grai	nt experien	ce with EDA,	please answer	the following:	
	Extremely	Unlikely	Somewhat likely	/ Extren	nely likely
	0	3	5	8	10
How likely are you to apply to EDA in the future?					
How likely are you to recommend EDA to another stakeholder or organization?					
Overall, when I thir	nk of EDA's	customer se	rvices practices	s, I am satisfied	l with their quality
Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
On a scale from 0 (	•		,		ectations),
	Fell short of expectation		About as expecte		eeded my ectations
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On a scale from 0 (	not very clo	ose to the ide	eal) to 10 (verv	close to the ide	eal) please rank

your overall experience with EDA during the course of my grant:

Not very close to ideal

Very close to the ideal

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## **Narrative**

Other comments (such as: on your overall satisfaction level, interactions with staff or how
your experience with EDA compares to your experience with other federal grants
programs.)

What recommendations would your organization make to EDA to improve the grant experience?

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. The responses you provided will permit EDA to continuously improve its customer service and grant management system.

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