

# → Taking the complexity out of grant management



Having data scattered across systems, spreadsheets, and emails is complex and frustrating.

As a result, state and local governments risk:

- Delayed funding for the people and communities that need it the most
- Underutilized funding within prescribed deadlines
- Enhanced scrutiny by federal funders
- Increased chances of reputational harm and media attention for mismanaged funds and grant

**Because existing systems are siloed, fragmented, and weren't built to handle the multiple (and growing) federal funding sources—each with different deadlines and reporting requirements—data is scattered across systems, spreadsheets, and emails, and the grants disbursement process is overly manual. Moreover, these systems are not adaptable to agency specific needs and ever-changing federal requirements.**

Built on the Appian low-code enterprise automation platform, CATALUS combines ICF's grant management Expertise to provide a client-specific tool built around the grantee's processes, workflows, and practices. The foundation of the solution meets the specific needs and pain points of state and local government agencies to ensure efficiency and improve outcomes through automated process tracking.

The adaptable modules are designed for easy, built-in functionality and are ideal for grants management projects across a wide variety of industries. CATALUS will:

- **Accelerate funding disbursements** for programs with outcome-focused objectives
- **Maximize utilization** of federal funding within prescribed deadlines
- **Minimize risks** such as audit findings for mismanaged funds and grants
- **Help identify millions in unreimbursed expenditures**, saving state and local agencies in late-payment interest

## Features

- Highly configurable dashboard and adaptable business modules for a customized experience
- Financial projections and weekly/monthly/quarterly generated reports to track budgets, timely expenditures, obligations, contracts, revenues, and comparisons between projections and actuals to assist with overall grant financial management
- Comprehensive financial data storage including encumbrance, expenditure, revenue, late-payment interest, Disaster Recovery Grant Reporting (DRGR), and project/beneficiaries in a dynamic and compliant ("audit-friendly") data platform
- Enterprise-scale support with continuous functionality upgrades

### CATALUS offers

Intuitive interface built around the functional needs of each user role and customized permissions for different users

Dashboards and reporting that enable data-driven decisions across federal funding sources and programs

Ability to assign and reassign tasks

Agility and speed to deploy and adapt custom solutions

Automated pipeline tools in combination with Microsoft Power Automate and Python

Connected legacy systems

Stages and approvals tracking for multi-step workflows

### CATALUS delivers

Transparency, situational awareness of where money is going, and data protection

Visibility of program, project, and activity progress to all relevant stakeholders (e.g., federal funders, media, participating grantees, the people being served)

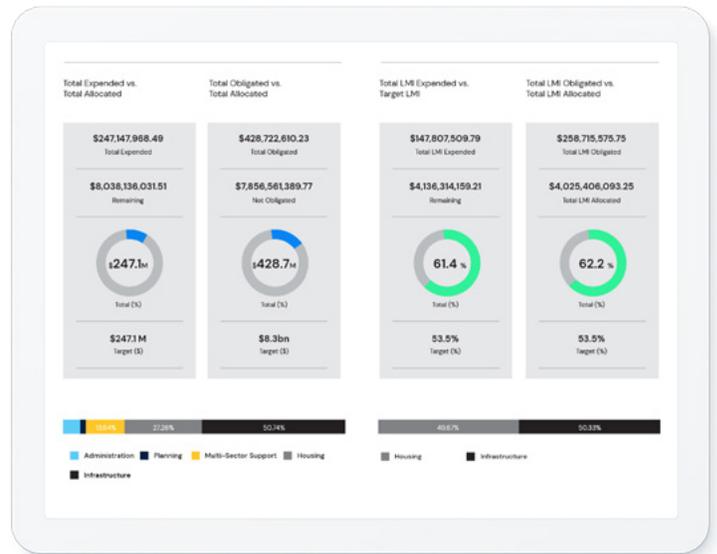
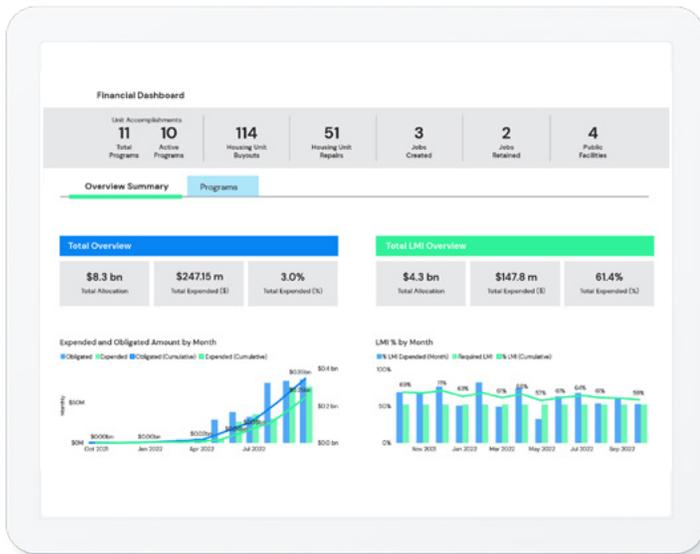
Real-time updates as program design, policies, and procedures inevitably evolve

Increased trust in the government and the grants process

Improved efficiencies in all financial data management workflows and a reduction in possible errors

Real-time reconciliation across contracts, payments, and federal reimbursements

Elimination of spreadsheets and digitization of paper processes



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