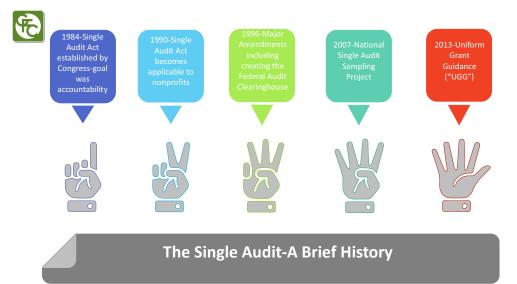
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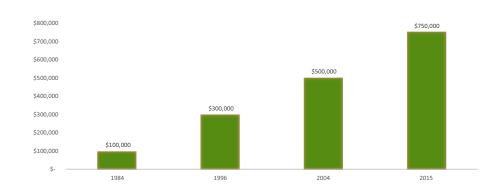








History of Single Audit Thresholds





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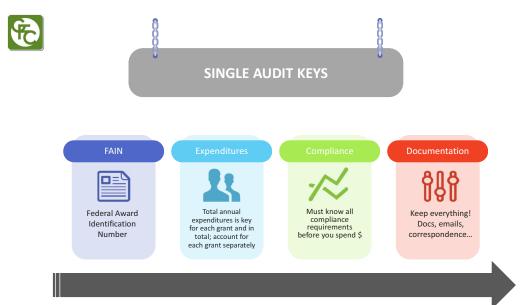
- What is consider federal financial assistance?
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- IMPORTANT: It does not matter who you receive the funds directly from, but where the funds originated. If you are not sure, you can always ask the grantor. More on this later...

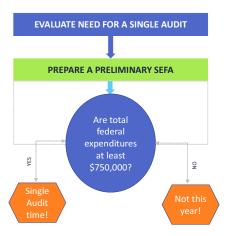












Important points to remember

Direct and Indirect

You can have direct and indirect federal funds-where did any of your grant funds originate?

Expenditures

You could have spent funds this year that you received in prior years, so focus on expenditures

Does the agency want an audit anyway?

It is somewhat rare, but some federal or state agencies may want your expenditures audited anyway-check with them if you don't qualify for a single audit.





Preliminary SEFA

Ensure clusters are considered.

Evaluation and Risk Assessment

End result is determining which programs to test.

Audit procedures

The CS and professional judgement are used

Test both compliance and internal controls

At a minimum we will want grant awards, correspondence, internal control narrative, submitted reports, support for expenditures, etc.

Progress and exit meetings

Discuss results, including any findings and a draft of the compliance reports. Corrective Action Plan for any findings.

Data Collection Form

approves and submits to the Clearinghouse. 30 days



Common Issues





Especially for expenditures and correspondence



Internal controls not operating as planned

Approving POs after invoice issues No approvals, signatures or dates No documentation of reviews





Missing compliance requirements tend to be:



Financial reports not timely or submitted at all Not paying attention to the special provisions Details and timeliness are critical!



Auditor drafts, you must approve and then auditor after the F/S or 9 months after year end.

