

# Grant Management System

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## Objectives

- ➤ Introduce a new electronic grant-making software
- Present the sub-recipient and administrator software components
- > Give benefits of the new system and future growth

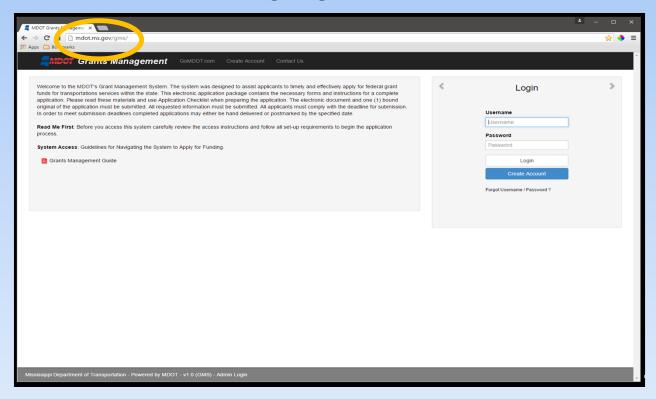
### Purpose

The system was designed to assist applicants to timely and effectively apply for federal grant funds for transportations services within the state. This electronic application package contains the necessary forms and instructions for a complete application.

# Step One

#### Go to the Grants Management Website:

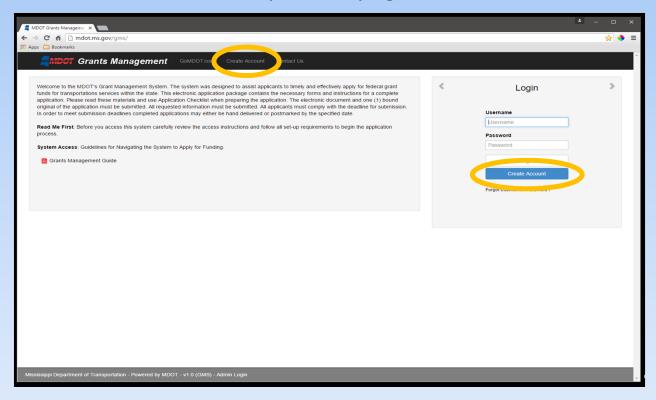
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# Step Two

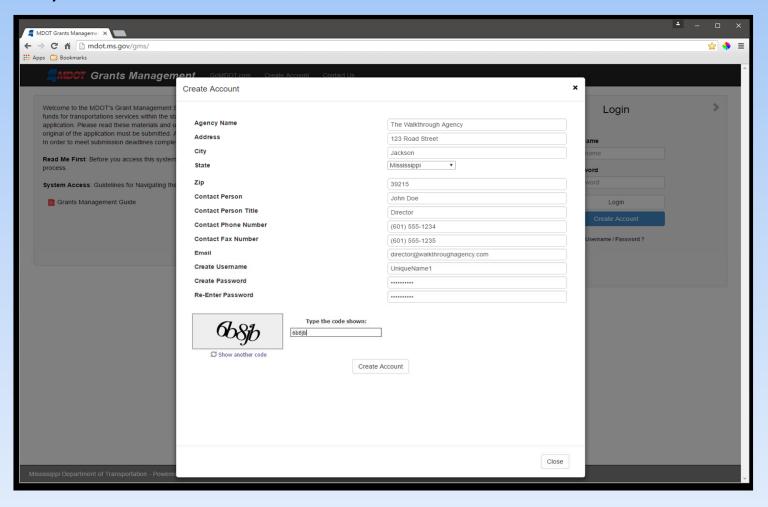
#### Click "Create Account"

The link at the top of the page or the blue button



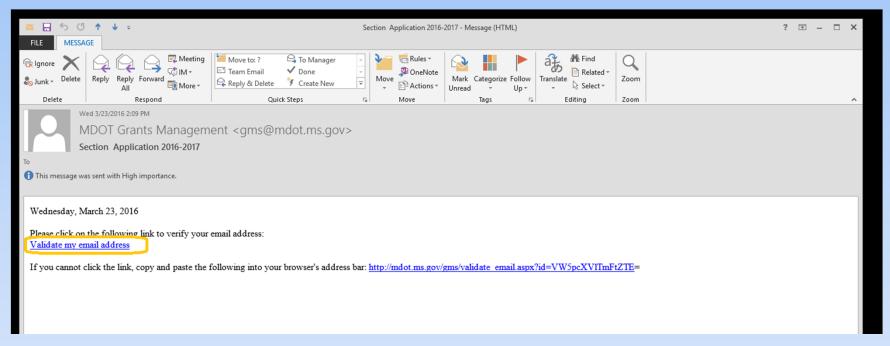
# Step Three

Enter your information into the form and click the "Create Account" button



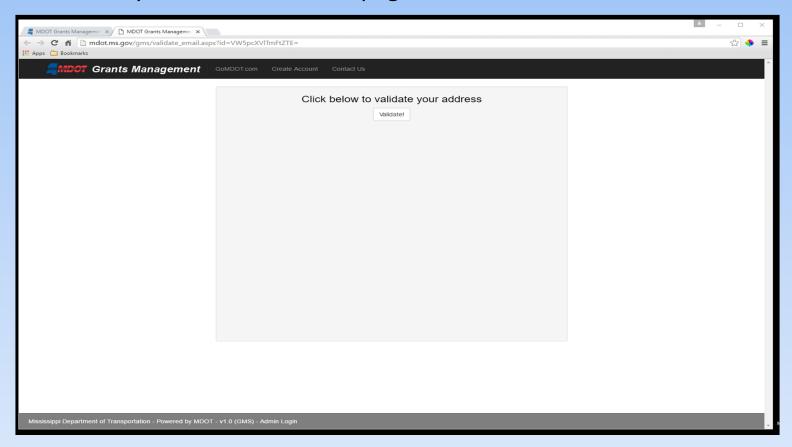
### Step Four

#### Check your email for a verification link



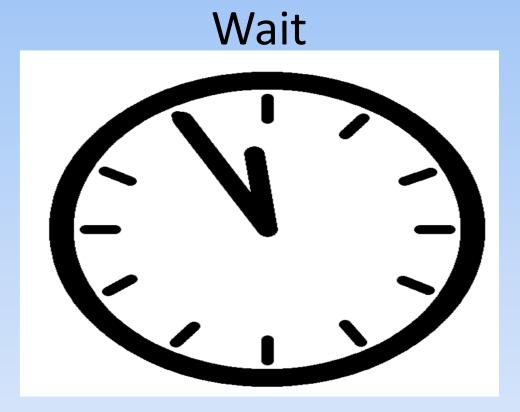
Click the link.

#### This will direct you to the validation page:



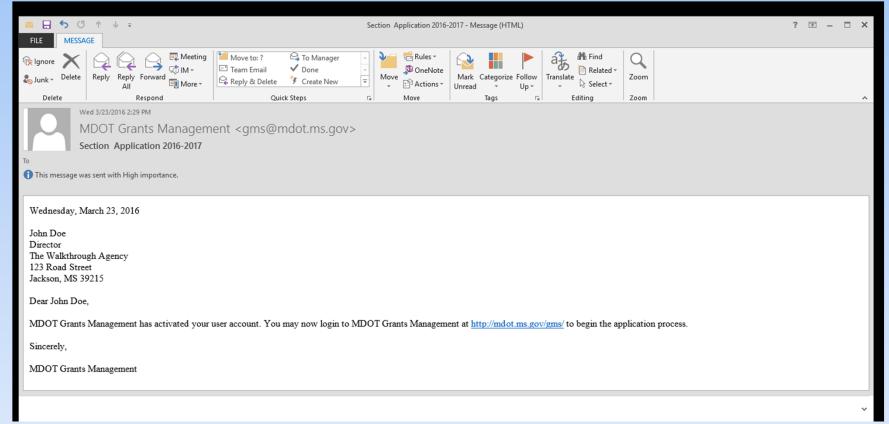
Click the "Validate!" button to finalize email validation.

# Step Five



An email will be automatically sent from an administrator that an account has been activated. Depending on volume, this could be nearly instant, or take some time.

An email letting potential applicant know that their account is active will be sent.

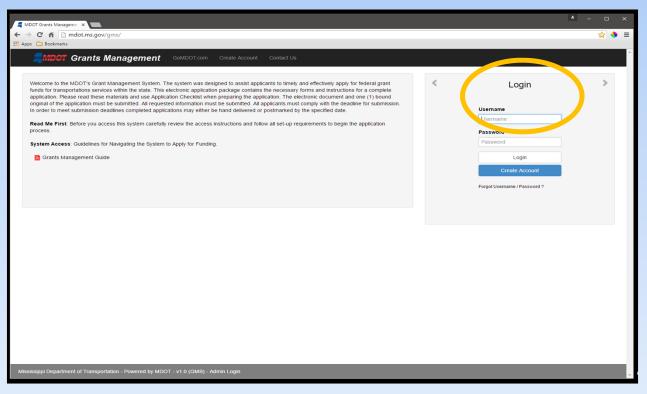


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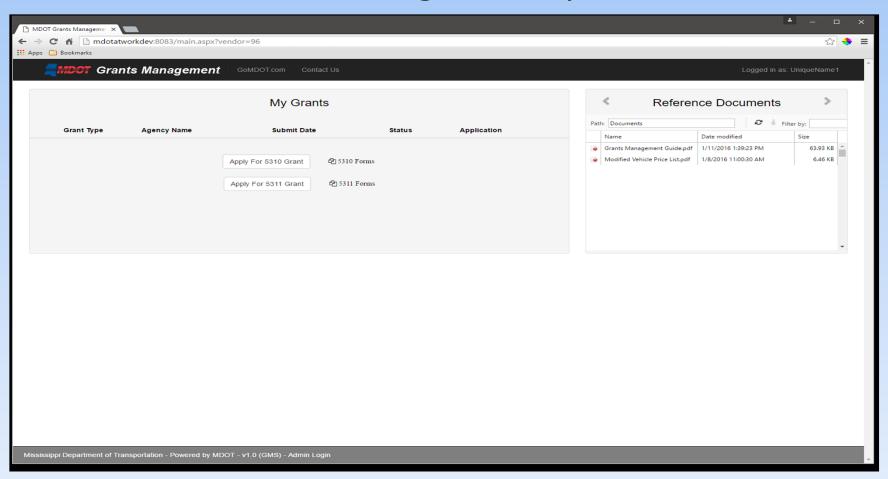
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# Step Six

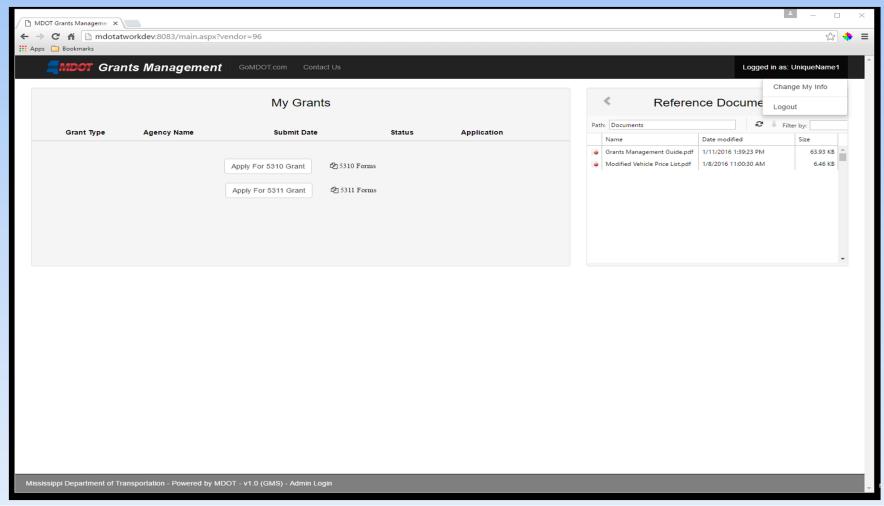
Return to Grant Management Website and enter the Username and Password that was made during account creation then click the "Login" button to enter the Grants Management system.



# Welcome to the Grants Management system!

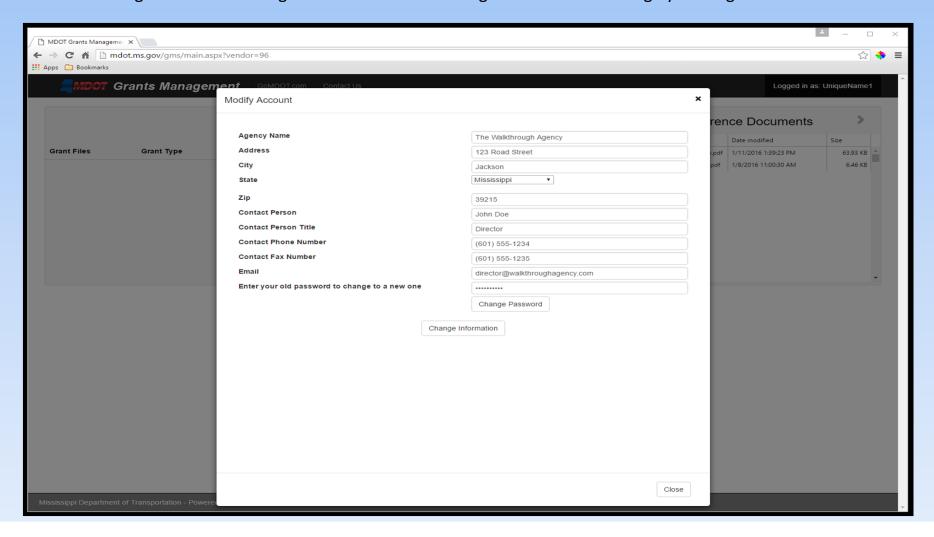


You can view and change the contact information by clicking the Login name in the upper right corner then clicking "Change My Info"

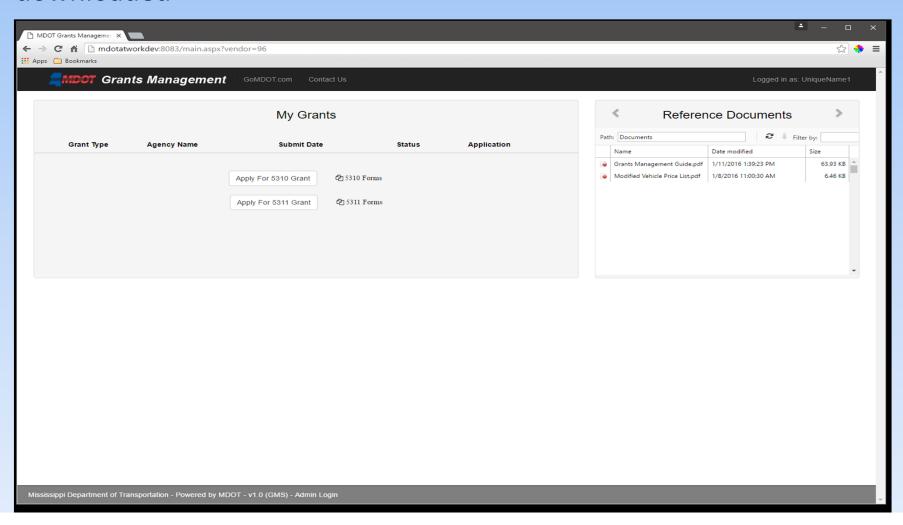


#### Here an agency can edit all of their contact information

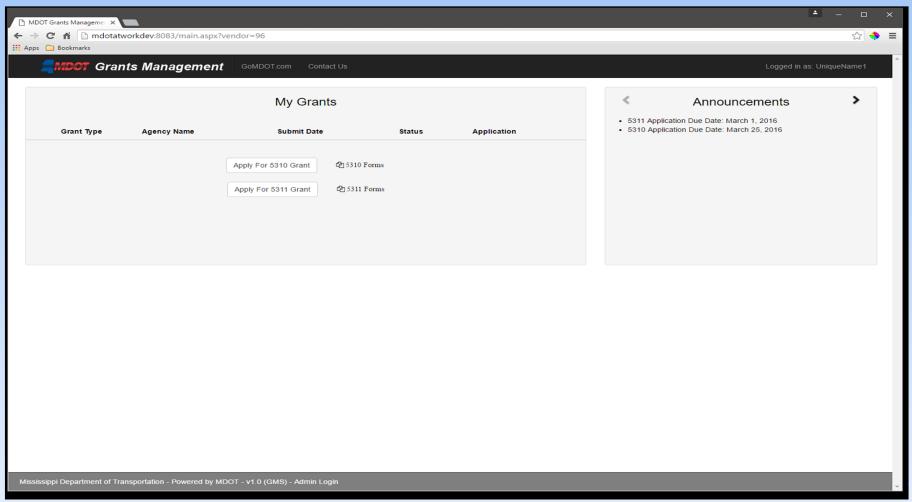
Save changes with the "Change Information" button or go back without saving by clicking the "Close" button



# Back on the main page, important reference documents can be downloaded

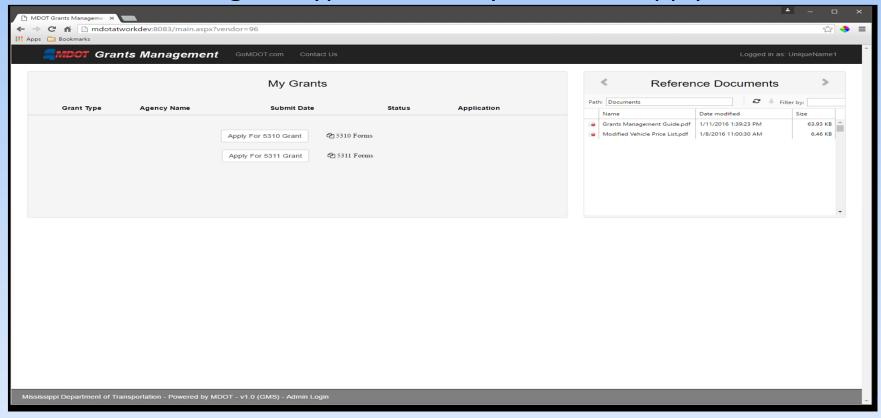


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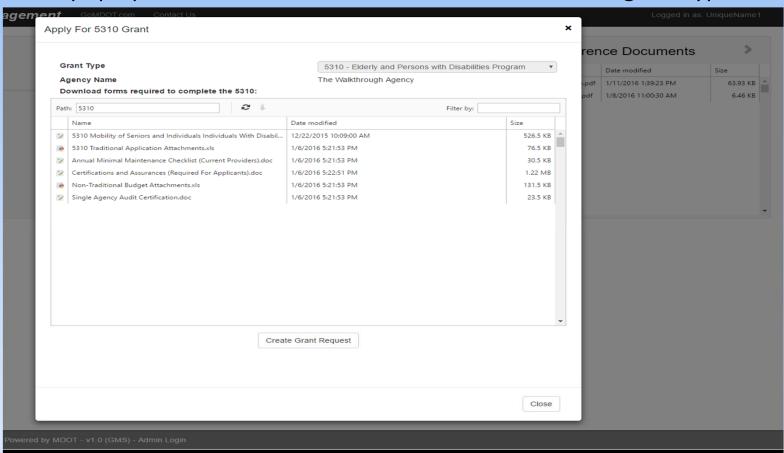
## Step Seven

Choose the grant type for which you wish to apply



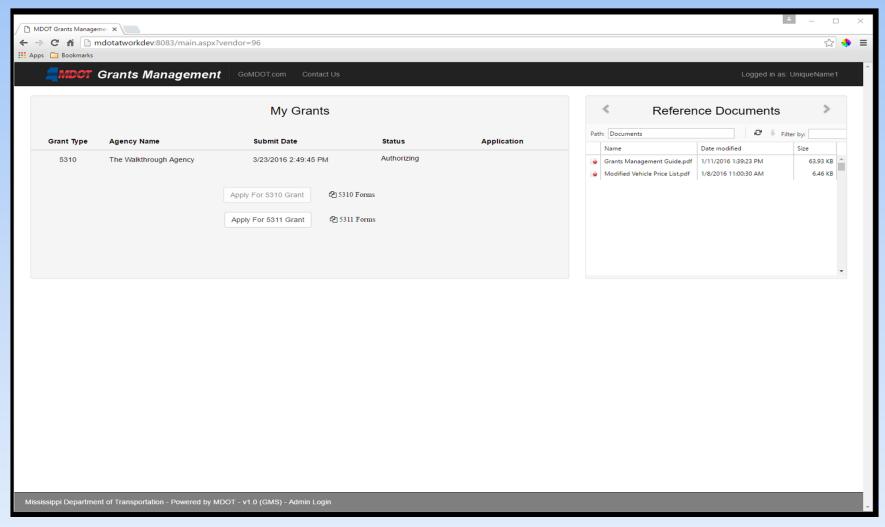
Click the "Apply For..." button for the grant for which you will be applying

#### This will pop up a box with all of the forms available for that grant type

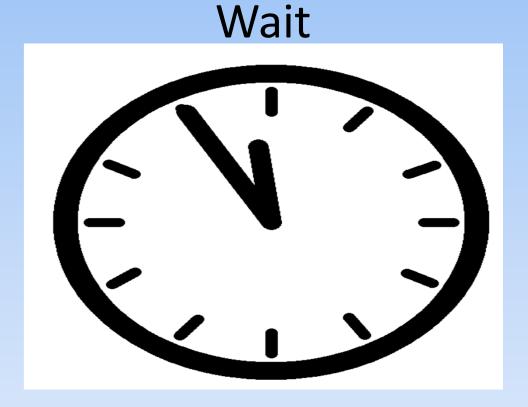


Download any of them that you may need then click the "Create Grant Request" button to begin the upload approval process

#### Your main page will show that you have submitted for authorization

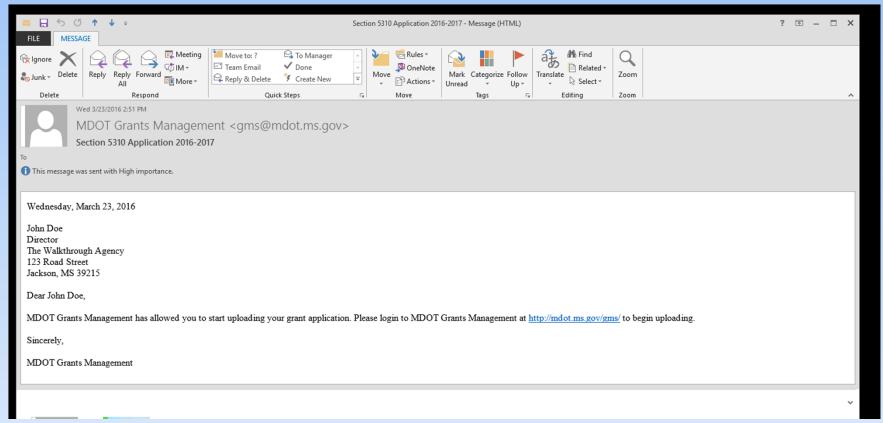


# Step Eight



An administrator will email you when they have approved your account for upload. Again, depending on volume, this could be nearly instant, or take some time.

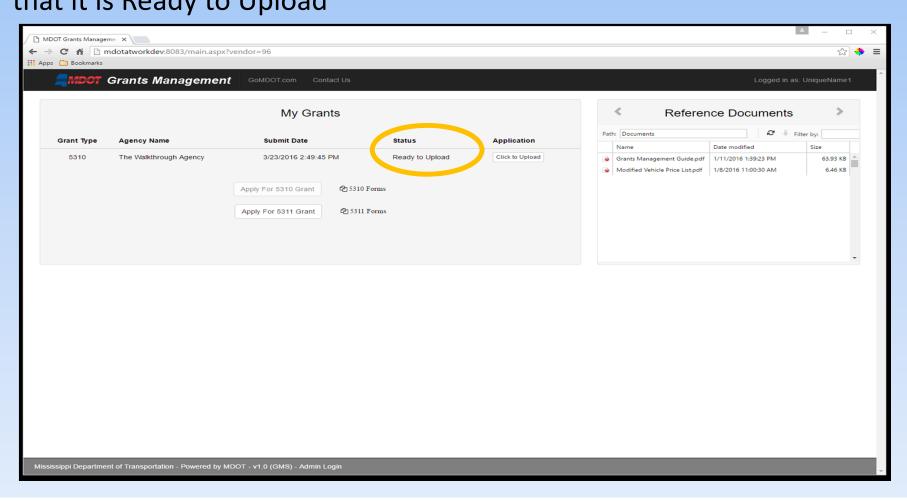
#### You will receive an email letting you know that your account can upload



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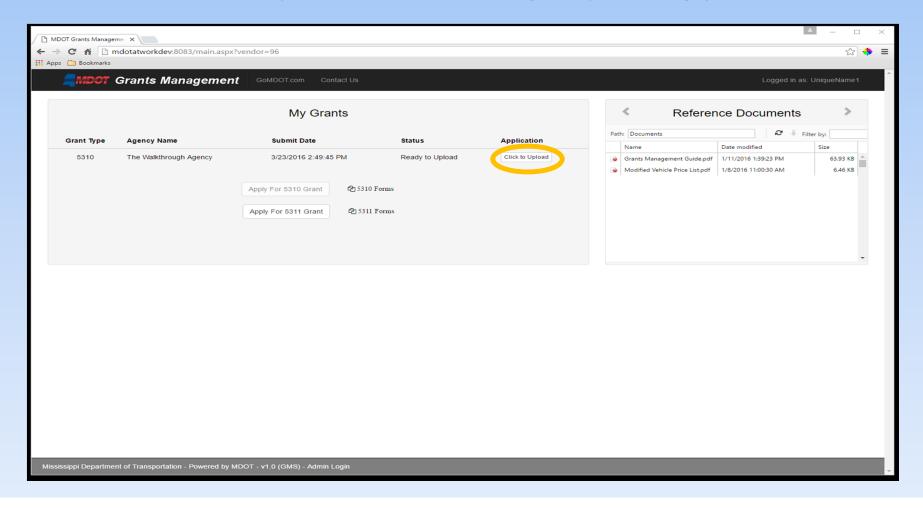
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Upon reception of the email, your account is ready to upload. Log back in (see step 6) and note that your Status has changed to show that it is Ready to Upload

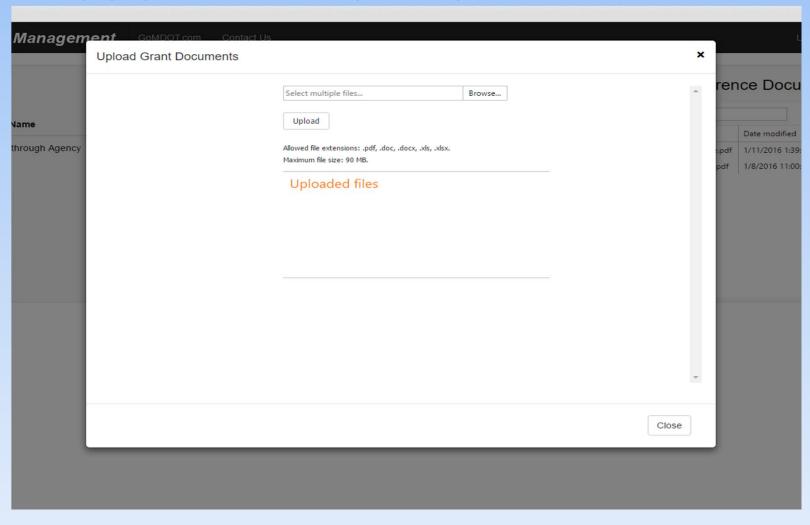


# Step Nine

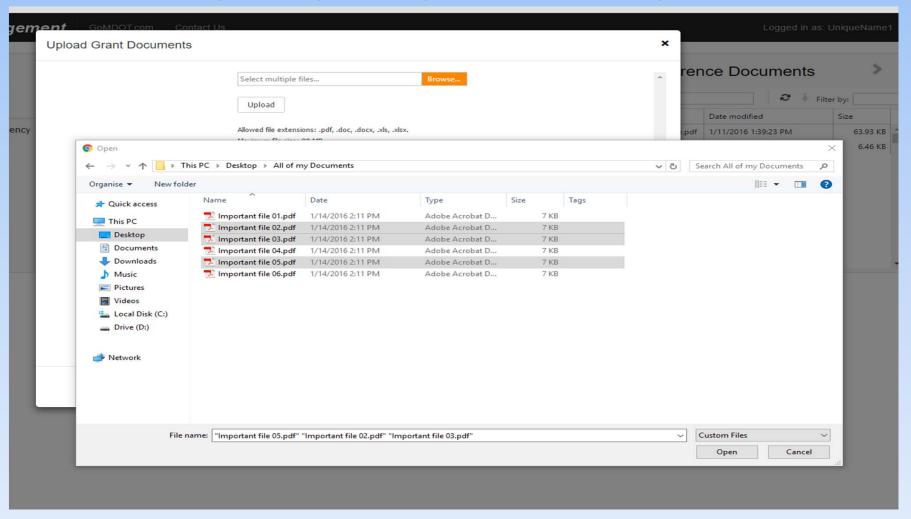
#### Click the "Click to Upload" button to begin uploading your files



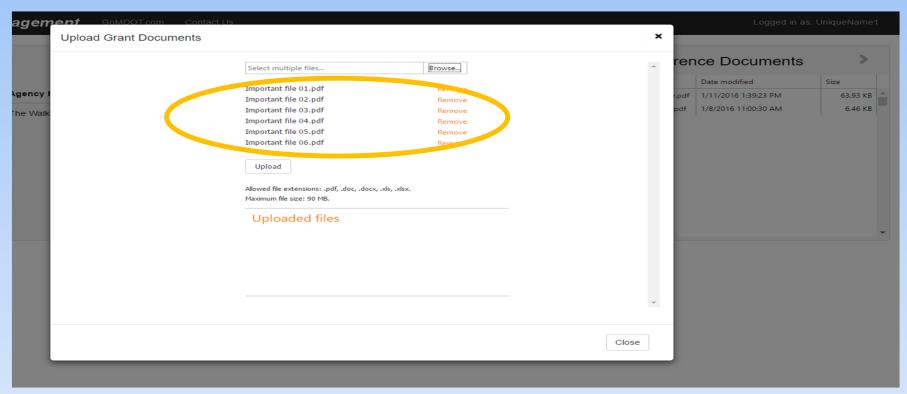
#### This will pop up a box from which you will upload files



#### Choose the files on your computer to upload and click the "Open" button



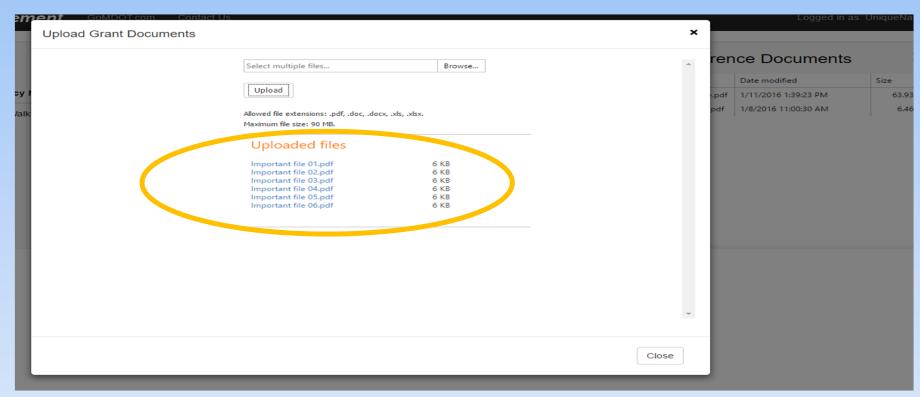
#### Your chosen files are shown on the upload page



At this point, you can click "Remove" beside any file name to remove it from the list. You may also click "Browse" to add more files.

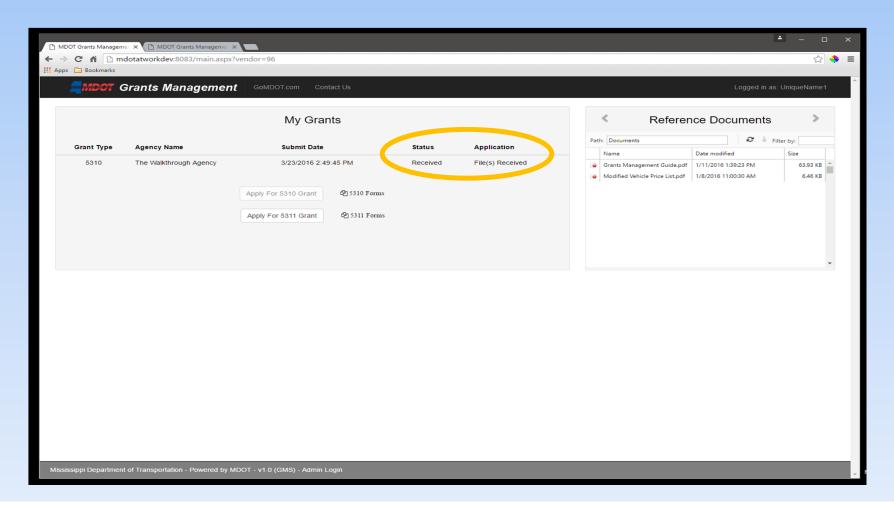
When you are satisfied with the files to be uploaded, Click on Upload.

#### Your files are uploaded to our system. Note the list of files:



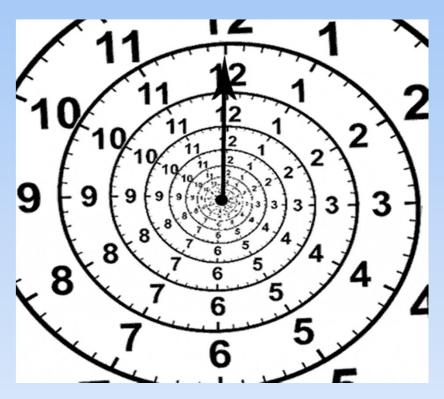
At this point, you may "Browse" and "Upload" more files. The list in blue is only the most recent batch of uploads.

# Note that your Status has changed to "Received" The Application column now shows "File(s) Received" as well



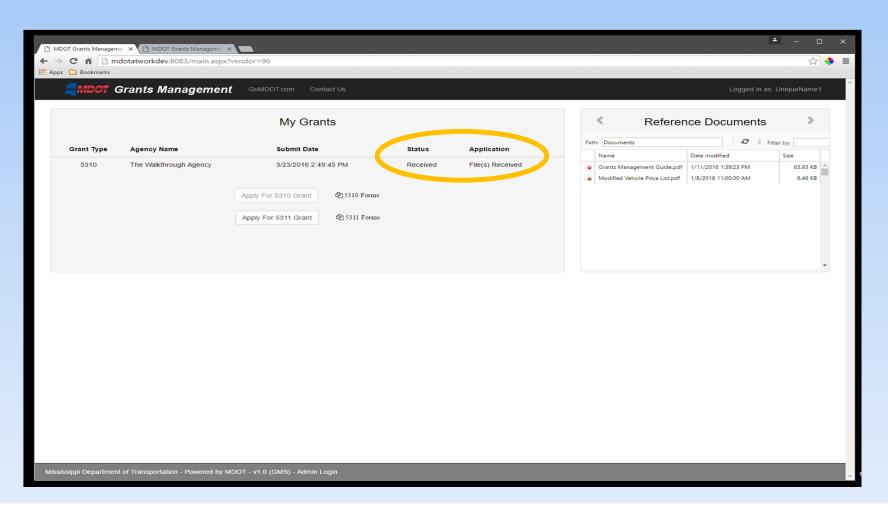
## Step Ten

### Wait

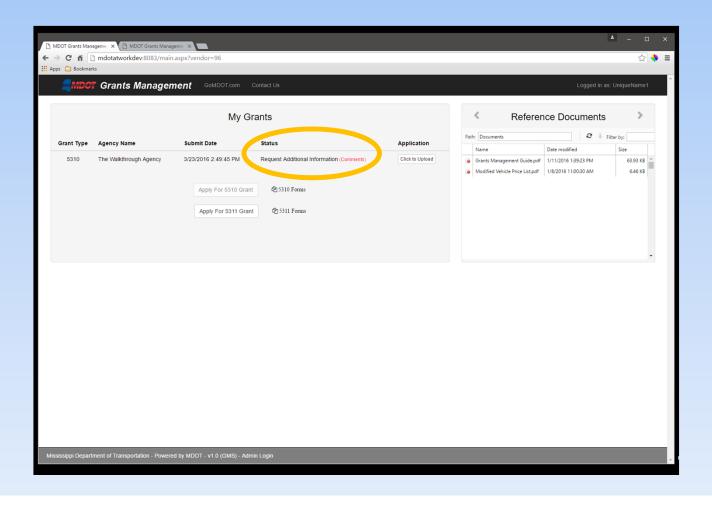


This will be the longest wait time. Your application will be reviewed in depth. You may be contacted for additional information, or you may only hear from the Grants Management team at the conclusion of the process.

# During this time, log back in to check your status. It will change as the submission moves through the process

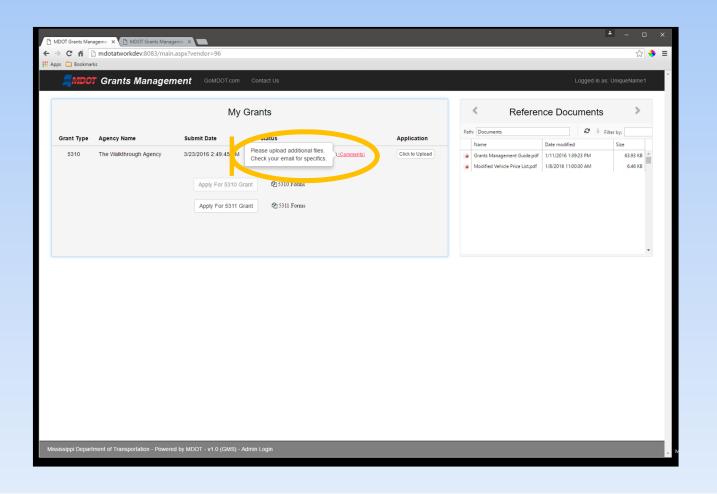


#### A special case, "Request Additional Information" may appear.

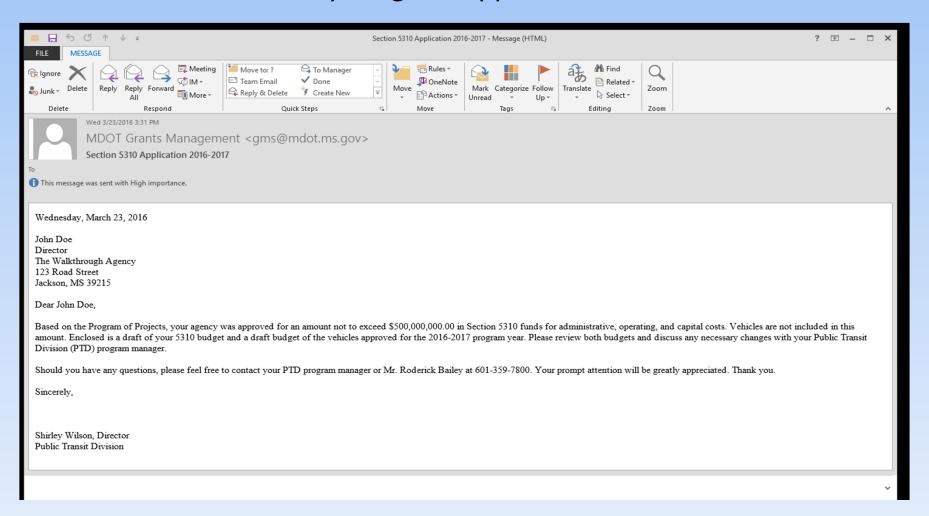


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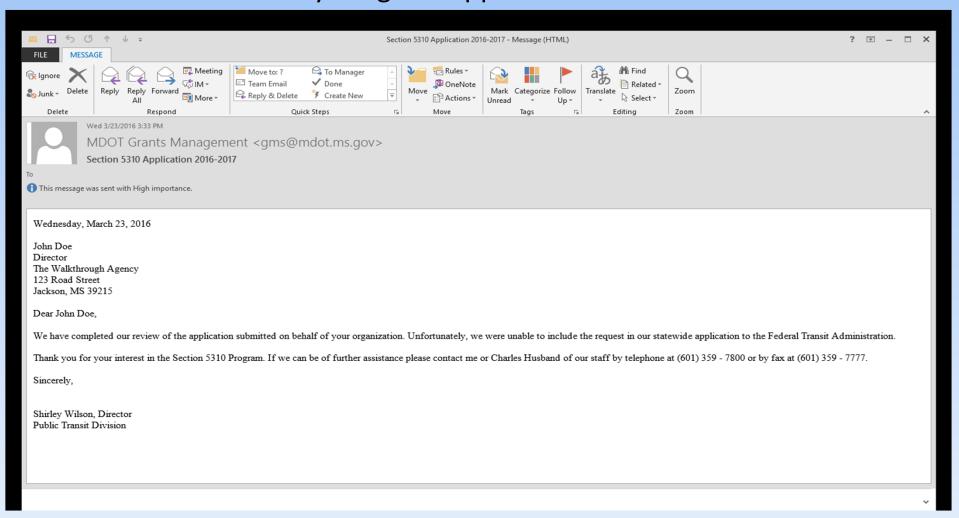
Mouse over the "(Comments)" section to see what information is requested



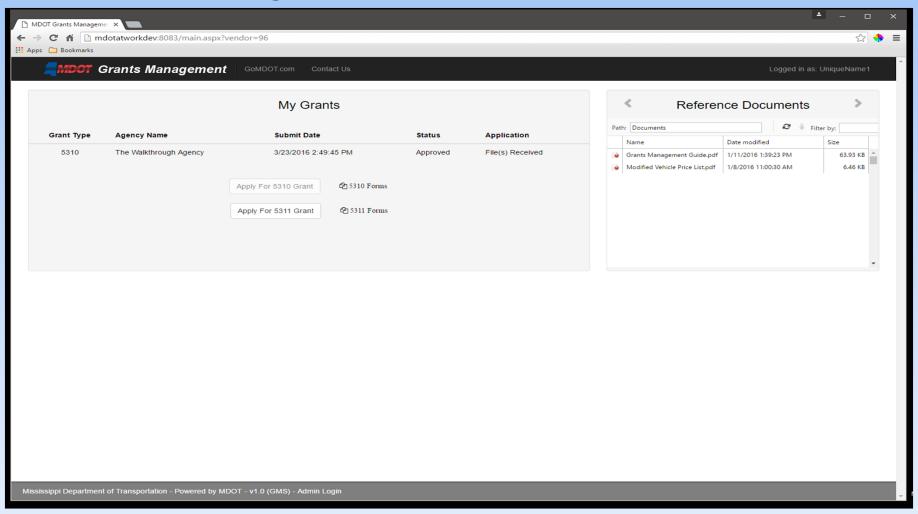
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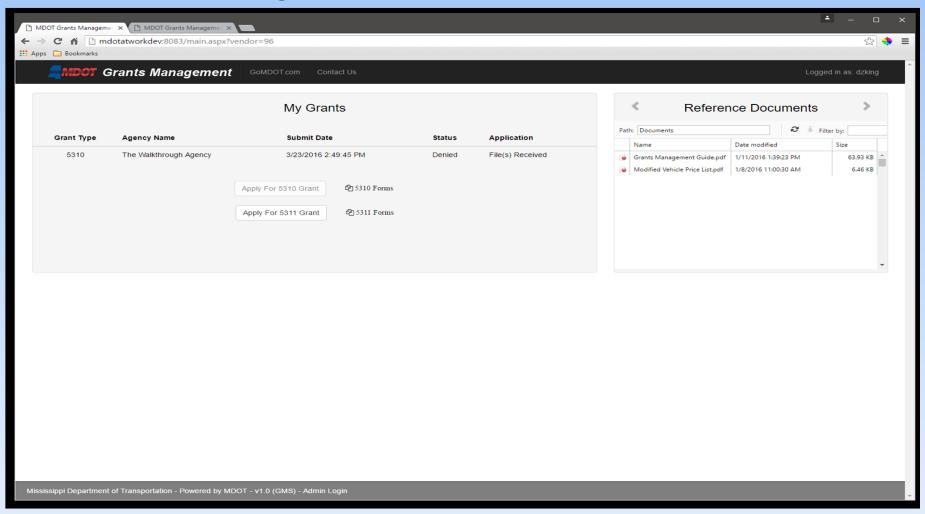
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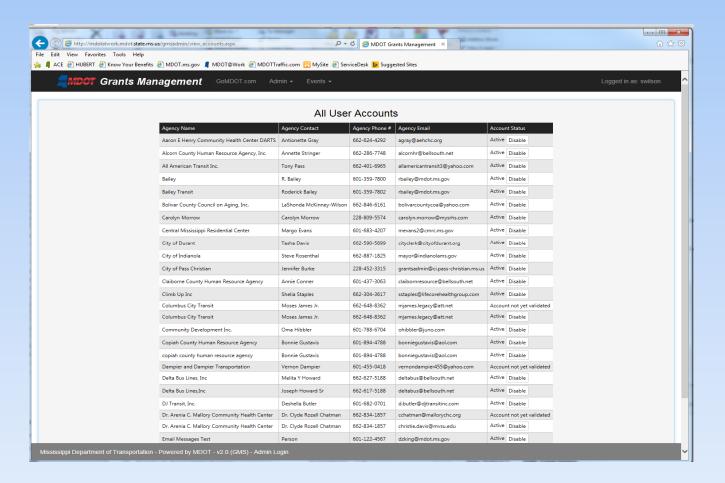
The grant administrator functionality will allow us to:

- ➤ Activate User Accounts
- ➤ Manage the download and upload of grant application documents for system security purposes
- Review the grants from the system and store them in project specific files on the transit server
- ➤ Send electronic notices to applicant requesting additional information or clarifications

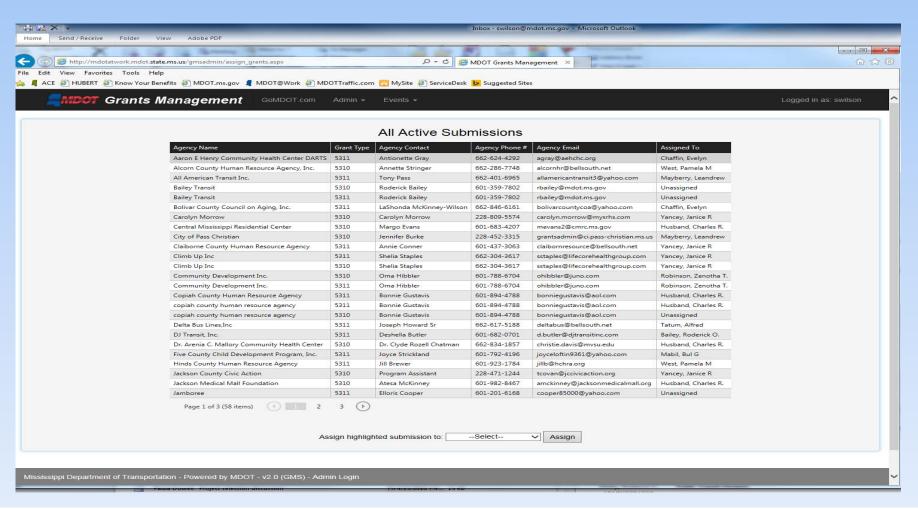
# Grant Administrator Role and Benefits (contd.)

- Transmit electronic notices of grant status (i.e. received, approved, denied)
- > Assign applications to team members for review and preparation of grant profiles
- Internal management of documents stored in software (don't have to rely of IT department for application revisions/deletions)
- ➤ Maintain a list of application requests by program
- ➤ Benefit of system being created in-house by IT Division
  - Timely technical assistance/maintenance
  - Cost-saving not having to pay an outside vendor
  - Ability to continue to grow the system without added cost

#### **User Account Screen**



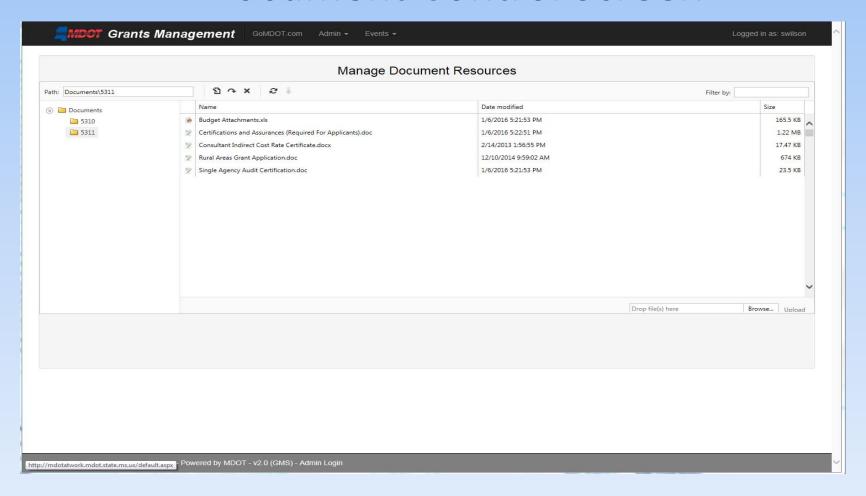
# Staff Assignment Screen



# **Grant Disposition Screen**

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Grants Ready for Approval							
Agency	Grant	Agency Phone	Agency Email	Assignee	Grant Status	Files	Actions
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Alcorn County Human Resource Agency, Inc.	5310	662-286-7748	alcornhr@bellsouth.net	West, Pamela M	Received	5310 Enhanced Mobdoc	Approve Deny Change State
Carolyn Morrow	5310	228-809-5574	carolyn.morrow@mysrhs.com	Yancey, Janice R	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change State
Central Mississippi Residential Center	5310	601-683-4207	mevans2@cmrc.ms.gov	Husband, Charles R.	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Star
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City of Pass Christian	5310	228-452-3315	grantsadmin@ci.pass-christian.ms.us	Mayberry, Leandrew	Received	2014 Audit Letter.pdf 5310 aplication.pdf City of Pass Chripdf fleet maint polipdf PM checklist.pdf	Approve Deny Change Sta
Climb Up Inc	5310	662-304-3617	sstaples@lifecorehealthgroup.com	Yancey, Janice R	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Star
Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center	5310	662-834-1857	christie.davis@mvsu.edu	Husband, Charles R.	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Stat
Jackson County Civic Action	5310	228-471-1244	tcovan@jccivicaction.org	Yancey, Janice R	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Stat
Jackson Medical Mall Foundation	5310	601-982-8467	amckinney@jacksonmedicalmall.org	Husband, Charles R.	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Stat
Lee County Multi-Purpose for the Elderly	5310	662-841-9004	bhutcheson@co.lee.ms.us	Husband, Charles R.	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Stat
Mississippi Christian Family Services, Inc.	5310	662-873-9055	boykin99@msn.com	Yancey, Janice R	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Star
Mount Zion Economic Community Center, Inc.	5310	601-249-1999	benthomp@cableone.net	Husband, Charles R.	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Sta
Natchez Transit System	5310	601-445-7568	sbartley@natchez.ms.us	Mabil, Bul G	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Star
Non Unique Address Test	5310	555-123-4567	dzking@mdot.ms.gov		Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Stat
Noxubee County Human Resources Agency	5310	662-726-9640	noxcohra@gmail.com	Robinson, Zenotha T.	Received	View Files	Approve Deny Change Stat

## Document Control Screen



#### What's Next???

- ➤ Build in a feature that will allow electronic rating of grant applications by our Interagency Transportation Committee
  - Ratings are currently done using paper copies
  - Stop killing trees by eliminating the copying of rating forms
  - Will allow ITC to rate applications from their offices
- >System will score the ratings of all committee members
- > Staff currently entering series of ratings in an excel spreadsheet
  - Eliminate input errors
  - o System will free up staff time
  - More timely completion of scoring
- ➤ Retooling our current sub-recipient reimbursement and fleet operation performance reporting system to make this a function within the grant software.

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