



Krysten Bennett

Senior Public Affairs Consultant



Role:

Client Engagement & Grant Strategy



Education:

Bachelor's Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies, Emory University



Member Affiliations:

- Grant Professionals Association
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Having earned a degree in arts administration from Emory University, Krysten began her career writing and administering grants in the development office of Atlanta Ballet. Though cultural programming, historic preservation, and environmental protection are areas of strong personal interest, her grants experience spans a broad range of focus areas including stormwater management, public infrastructure, library services, parks and recreation, urban forestry, social services, public safety, emergency management, disaster mitigation, and more. During her 20+ year tenure with Langton Consulting, Krysten has submitted more than 300 grant proposals to federal, state, and foundation entities on behalf of local government clients.

In October 2025 Krysten's role with the Langton team shifted from grant developer to a more support-oriented function, wherein her 27 years of experience in the grants profession are utilized to service all Langton clients. Working closely with the grant development team, Krysten's efforts are primarily focused on early-stage grant opportunity identification and evaluation, ensuring alignment with client funding needs and mitigating missed opportunities. This allows the grant development team to concentrate more fully on crafting competitive proposals for their respective clients.

Krysten's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Monitoring the development of new grant-related legislation and emerging funding programs, as well as cycle timeframes for both one-time and annually recurring grant opportunities
- Developing and distributing bi-weekly SmartGrants Email Alerts, featuring open-cycle announcements for federal, state, and foundation grant opportunities
- Participating in regularly occurring meetings with clients' primary points of contact to facilitate timely communication of available grant opportunities and to ensure no relevant opportunities are overlooked
- Maintaining an ongoing understanding of client needs as outlined in Needs Assessment documents and updating said documents as new needs arise
- Researching potential grant opportunities that align with specific project or program funding needs communicated by clients
- Preparing Grant Opportunity Summaries that outline key program characteristics for initial review by clients and working directly with clients to evaluate opportunities for appropriateness and/or project readiness, facilitating timely GO/NO GO decisions