

Top Ten Reasons Budgets Do Not Clear

1. The budget detail worksheet is missing
2. The budget detail worksheet computations are incorrect
3. The required match percentage has not been met nor source identified, if applicable
4. Unallowable costs are included in the budget detail worksheet
5. Required cost breakdown by categories has not been included
6. Incomplete budget narrative
7. Accounting System and Financial Capability Questionnaire form (FCQ) has not been submitted (new nonprofit and commercial applicants)
8. Prior budget did not clear (applies to supplemental awards)
9. A current federally approved indirect-cost rate negotiated agreement has not been submitted
10. Responses to the initial budget financial review memo were insufficient