



**STATE OF ILLINOIS
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**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
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GOVERNOR

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To Governor Rauner and Members of the General Assembly:

On behalf of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget (GOMB) and the Illinois Single Audit Commission (ILSAC), we submit the fourth annual Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) report as statutorily required. GATA establishes and applies uniform, efficient and effective processes throughout the grant lifecycle in compliance with Federal Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200). GATA is significant legislation as grants comprise approximately 66% of Illinois' general revenue budget and federal grant revenue is one of the largest single state revenue sources.

The bipartisan support of Public Act 100-0676 which removed the GATA sunset provision set a precedence of support for grant compliance. Your continued commitment to grant management policy that improves accountability and transparency of public funds is nationally recognized and respected.

The 2018 GATA annual report projects over \$258 million in cost saving and avoidance as a result of GATA accomplishments. By centralizing key grant management functions, utilizing automation, and designing standard frameworks, the state is able to reduce and eliminate significant duplication and redundancy. Additional annual savings and cost avoidance will be realized as full GATA implementation is reached. The partnership between this Administration, the General Assembly and GATU enables Illinois to innovate as a national leader in grant management. We look forward to guiding Illinois towards future notoriety in life cycle grant management. With legislative and Governor's Office support, Illinois will continue to be recognized as a national leader in innovative grant administration.

Sincerely,

Hans Zigmund, Director

Carol Kraus, GATU Director and ILSAC Chair