

Georgia State Agency Streamlines Grant Application Process Using Caspio Bridge



The Georgia CJCC was tasked with creating an online application for states to apply for newly available grant funds. With no time to write code, strict security standards and a small budget, they turned to Caspio and completed the project ahead of time and with money left over. They launched the application online and had the first completed response in less than 30 minutes.

Agency Size

45 Employees

Industry

State Government

Challenge

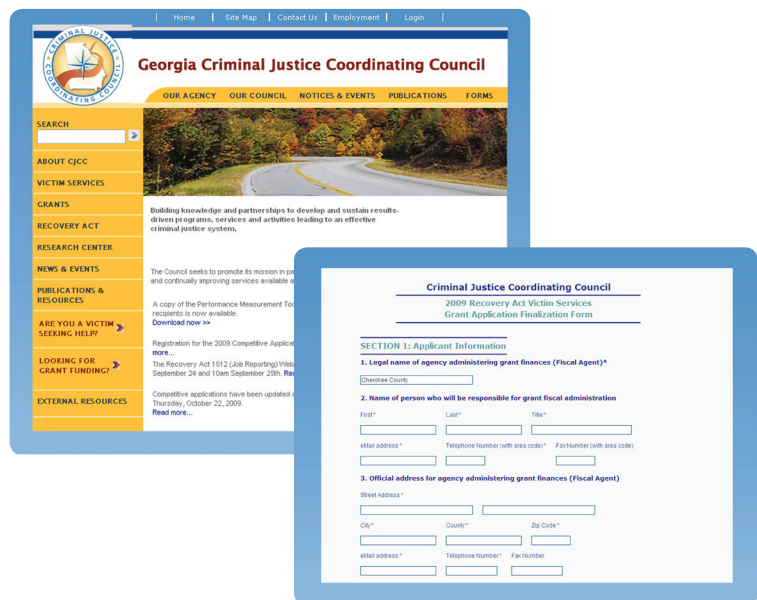
State agencies were clamoring for grant money under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) was tasked to create an online application for newly-available grant funding. Demanding requirements from the state and federal government meant strict security standards and over 200 data input fields. Given a short timeline and conservative budget, programming from scratch was impossible. The CJCC needed an affordable solution that could be customized to fit their unique requirements, and they needed it fast.

Solution

The agency quickly found Caspio Bridge and automated the entire process. Utilizing Caspio's total hosted solution and world class support, the CJCC team used the wizard-driven framework to seamlessly design, integrate, and launch the extensive web application on their website. After completing the project early and under-budget, the CJCC received its first registration request within 30 minutes of deploying the application.

New Funding Requires Fast Action

The Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) was created in 1981 to respond exclusively to the needs of the State's criminal justice system. Daniel Kurlowich, Systems Analyst at the CJCC, was faced with finding a turnkey database solution that would allow his agency to quickly develop an online grant application permitting state agencies to apply for new funds just released under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. It was an extensive project and Kurlowich had already informed his staff that "we are not going to write code, there just isn't time. That puts you behind the development cycle.



Online Grant Application for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

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The Perfect Fit

Kurlowich evaluated several solutions that could potentially manage such a large amount of data, but wasn't finding anything suitable for such a sophisticated database, especially given his budget.

"Just when I was making my last ditch effort, I found Caspio," he said. "I scheduled a demo the same day and I could tell that Caspio Bridge could do it. And Caspio's support team was there every step of the way as we created the applications to my specifications."

Perfect Application in a Day

Caspio's "do-it-yourself" platform-as-a-service managed the agency's complex database with the sort of speed that amazed Kurlowich.

"If I had to do my project with any other tool, it would have taken me at least a week to attempt what I finished with Caspio in a day," he said. "And I was achieving results that many of the other solutions I researched couldn't do at all. Everything about it was cool. I could import my data and take it from there. It was really very slick."

To avoid unacceptable state funding delays, the application had to be flawless from the moment it went online. The Caspio Bridge step-by-step user interface made it easy for the group to collaborate ahead of time and make real-time edits when necessary.

“What are the good things about Caspio Bridge? Everything. It lets me do things other applications just couldn't accomplish.”

Daniel Kurlowich, Systems Analyst,
Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Lessons Learned

In today's economy, business and government alike need to be agile without sacrificing security and accuracy. Organizations of all sizes and industries can now automate business processes and create sophisticated web-based applications to serve their customers, employees and partners without the cost and hassle of traditional development. Caspio Bridge has a proven track record of enabling its customers to save resources while decreasing time to market. Caspio's customers range from one-person entrepreneurs to Fortune-500 corporations, digital media giants, government agencies, and educational institutions.

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