1. What is a DUNS Number?

Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) provides a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number, a unique 9-digit identification number, for each physical location of a business or organization. Using the DUNS Number as a unique identifier for your organization helps the Government know the business or organization submitting reporting information to FederalReporting.gov. To register as a Recipient User of FederalReporting.gov, you must know the DUNS Number associated with your award.

2. Who needs to get a DUNS number?

Each entity (except individuals) who receives Recovery Act funds directly (i.e., prime Federal contractor) or indirectly (first-tier subcontractors) should have a DUNS number. Federal contractors will need to obtain the DUNS number for their first-tier subcontractors (subcontracts of \$25,000 or more) in order to report information about the subcontract (see FAR clause 52.204-11).

3. How does my organization get a DUNS number?

All U.S. Government contractors can receive a DUNS number at no charge and, under normal circumstances, within 24–72 hours when using the D&B web form process. Go to http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform. Federal contractors, with only very limited exceptions, will already have a DUNS number as it is required for CCR registration.

http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/recovery_faqs_contractors/