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Subject: **Justification for Adding Hunger-Free Communities Grants to the List of Approved Programs Using Uniform Grant Application for Non-Entitlement Discretionary Grants, OMB Control Number 0584-0512**

The Uniform Grant Application for Non-Entitlement Discretionary Grants, OMB Docket #0584-0512, allows the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to add programs to the list of approved programs that use this generic clearance process periodically, provided that approval is obtained in advance.

FNS requests OMB approval to add the project Hunger-Free Communities Grants to the list of approved projects. This is due to a new grant program authorized under the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-246).

FNS intends to award grants to eligible entities to carry out activities that establish Hunger-Free Communities and learn more about effective strategies to reduce hunger in the United States. We are requesting to use 3,055 hours of the currently approved 31,340 hours for eligible organizations to respond to the Request for Application for the collection of information related to this new grant program, including responding to the request for application and semi-annual and final progress reports.

If you have any questions, please contact Pam Phillips at 703-305-2298.

Attachments