Generic Solicitation for Grant Applications Control Number 1225-0086

Serving Juvenile Offenders in High-Poverty, High-Crime Communities Grants Justification

Abstract:

The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is announcing the availability of approximately \$20 million in grant funds authorized by the Workforce Investment Act for four grants to serve juvenile offenders, ages 14 and above, in high-poverty, high-crime communities. The purpose of these grants is to improve the long-term labor market prospects of these youth. These grants will be awarded through a competitive process open to organizations with the capacity to implement multi-site, multi-state projects. The ETA expects to award four grants of \$5 million each to cover a 32-month period of performance that includes up to 6 months of planning and a minimum of 26 months of operation. The 26 months of operation includes 3-4 months for follow-up services. Grantees may provide follow-up services to some participants while providing direct services to others.

Electronic availability:

This grant solicitation is available on the grants.gov Web site. Based on past DOL experience, the DOL anticipates 80 percent of responses will be submitted electronically.

Small Entities:

This information collection will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Assurances of confidentiality:

These grant solicitations do not offer applicants assurances of confidentiality.

Special circumstances:

This information collection complies with 5 CFR 1320.5.

Burden:

Based on past experience, the DOL expects to receive approximately 40 applications. Public reporting burden for the information collection is estimated to average 20 hours per response for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

40 applications x 20 hours = 800 hours.

In addition to the application, each grantee will be required to submit quarterly financial, performance, and narrative reports to ETA. Those information collection requirements will be cleared under a separate Control Number.

The DOL has increased the November 2011 average hourly earnings in the professional and business services industry of \$27.95 by 40 percent (total \$39.13) to monetize this burden. *See The Employment Situation—January 2012*, DOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics, http://www.bls.gov/news.release/archives/empsit_02032012.pdf at 32.

800 hours x \$39.13 = \$31,304.

The DOL associates no other burden costs with this information collection.

Total burden: 40 respondents, 40 responses, 800 hours, \$0 other cost burden.

Supporting Statement B; Statistical Methods

This information collection does not employ statistical methods.