Generic Solicitation for Grant Applications Control Number 1225-0086

Jobs for Veterans State Grant Program

Abstract:

This ICR seeks to clear the unique information collection requirements in the Jobs for Veterans State Grant (JVSG) Application and Planning Instructions for Fiscal Years 2015-2019. In accordance with 38 U.S.C. § 4102A, the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training makes grant funds available for use in each state to support Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program (DVOP) specialists and Local Veterans' Employment Representatives (LVER). In order to receive funding, 38 U.S.C. § 4102A(c) requires states to submit an application for a grant that contains a narrative plan. The JVSG grants are a non-competitive grant awarded to the State Workforce Agency in each state; the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; the Governments of the Virgin Islands and Guam; and the District of Columbia. The JVSG grant amounts are determined based on a funding formula provided at Chapter 20, Part 1001, Subpart F of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

Electronic availability:

This grant application and planning instructions will be available on the Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) Web site. Based on past DOL experience, the Department assumes two thirds of responses will be submitted electronically; however, a "hardcopy" filing option is available and acceptable.

Small Entities:

This information collection will not have a significant impact on 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 a total of 54 applications from an equal number of respondents. Public reporting burden for the information collection is estimated to average 30 hours per response for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

54 applications x 30 hours = 1,620 hours.

The DOL has increased the average hourly rate non-supervisory employees in the professional and business services industry for March 2014, of \$28.99 by 40 percent (total rate \$40.59), to approximate fringe benefits and overhead costs, to estimate the monetized value of respondent time. *See The Employment Situation, May 2014*, at 32, Table B-3, DOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics, http://www.bls.gov/news.release/archives/empsit_06062014.pdf.

1,620 hours x \$40.59 = \$65,756.

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

Total burden: 54 respondents, 54 responses, 1,620 hours, \$0 other cost burden.

Supporting Statement B; Statistical Methods

This information collection does not employ statistical methods.