

**Funding Opportunity Announcement,  
National Guard Youth Challenge/Job Challenge (NGYCJC) FOA Grant Program**

**Supplemental Justification**

**Supplemental Supporting Statement A: Justification**

This request seeks OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act for the unique information collection requirements in the National Guard Youth Challenge/Job Challenge (NGYCJC) Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), announces the availability of approximately \$12,000,000 in grant funds authorized by Section 171, Pilot and Demonstration Projects, of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) to: 1) test the effectiveness of expanding the National Guard Youth Challenge Program for youth who have come in contact with the juvenile justice system for committing a status offense or a delinquent act (court-involved youth), and 2) add and test an additional job training component (DOL Job Challenge) to the program for court-involved youth and youth that have had no contact with the juvenile justice system (non-court-involved youth).

For this DOL Job Challenge solicitation, we expect to fund up to \$4,000,000 each to three (3) grantees, totaling \$12,000,000, with a period of performance of 42 months. During these 42 months, grantees will operate the DOL Job Challenge, which will include a three-month planning period and facilitation of the 12-month mentoring phase. Applicants may not exceed a request of \$4,000,000 to operate this DOL Job Challenge, which will fund the planning period and the five-month residential DOL Job Challenge phase. The six-month residential phase of the National Guard Youth Challenge program must be funded with funds obligated under the National Guard Challenge Cooperative Agreement.

Applications will include the following information collections: 1) Form SF-424 "Application for Federal Assistance," separately cleared under OMB control number 4040-0004, 2) Project Budget, 3) Project Narrative, and 4) Attachments to the Project Narrative.

**Electronic availability:**

This grant solicitation is available on the grants.gov Web site. Based on past DOL experience, the Department 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 FOA implicates no special circumstances.

**Burden:**

*Time*

Based on past experience, the DOL expects to receive approximately 30 applications from an equal number of respondents. The ETA estimates public reporting burden for the information collection to average 20 hours per response for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining needed data, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

30 applications x 20 hours = 600 hours.

The DOL has increased the September 2014, average hourly earnings in the professional and business services industry of \$29.29 per hour by 40 percent (total \$41.01 per hour) to monetize this burden. See [The Employment Situation—November 2014](#), DOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics, at page 33.

600 hours x \$41.01 = \$24,606.

*Other*

The DOL associates no other burden costs with this information collection. In addition to the application, each grantee will be required to submit quarterly financial, performance, and narrative reports to the ETA. Those information collection requirements will be cleared under a separate control number.

*Total burden: 30 respondents, 30 responses, 600 hours, \$0 other cost burden.*

**Supplemental Supporting Statement B: Statistical Methods**

This information collection does not employ statistical methods.