Funding Opportunity Announcement Reentry Demonstration Projects for Young Adults 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 Reentry Demonstration Projects for Young Adults Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), will announce the availability of approximately \$30,250,000 in grant funds authorized by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) to prevent and reduce crime and enhance young adult reentry strategies through collaboration with the field to identify, define, and respond to emerging or chronic youthful offender reentry challenges and issues. The ETA is seeking proposed strategies to address these issues, including trying new approaches, addressing gaps in services, building or translating research knowledge, or building capacity

This FOA provides the opportunity for organizations to build a customized project built on evidence-based and informed interventions. These projects will serve male and female young adults between the ages of 18 to 24 who have been involved in the adult justice system or were previously involved in the juvenile justice system and reside in high-poverty, high-crime communities.

The DOL expects to award approximately seven grants of up to \$4,500,000 each to either: 1) intermediary organizations that have an affiliate network or offices in at least three communities and across at least two states and that are community- or faith-based organizations with 501(c)(3) non-profit status (including women's and minority organizations) or 2) any Indian and Native American entity eligible for grants under WIOA section 166 that has a presence in at least three communities and across at least two states. The DOL intends to award these grants to a combination of rural- and urban-serving organizations. These grants have a performance period of 36 months, which includes a planning period, period of operation, and follow-up period; the period of operation must be at least 24 months of the total period of performance. Applicants must identify and include in their application the local sub-grantees that will operate their identified program designs; applicants must identify the communities. The communities must be located in high-poverty, high-crime areas. Sub-grantee projects must be located in at least two states.

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 75 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:

Based on past experience, the DOL expects to receive approximately 60 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.

60 applications x 20 hours = 1,200 hours.

The DOL has increased the December 2015, average hourly earnings in the professional and business services industry of \$30.26 per hour by 40 percent (total \$42.36 per hour) to monetize this burden. *See <u>The Employment Situation—February 2016</u>*, DOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics, at 33.

1,200 hours x \$42.36 = \$50,832.00.

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: 60 respondents, 60 responses, 1,200 hours, \$0 other cost burden.

Supplemental Supporting Statement B: Statistical Methods

This information collection does not employ statistical methods.