

**Funding Opportunity Announcement
YouthBuild
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 YouthBuild Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), announces the availability of approximately \$85 million in grant funds authorized by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) (Pub. L. 113-128) for youth between the ages of 16 and 24 who are high school dropouts, adjudicated youth, youth aging out of foster care, youth with disabilities, migrant farm worker youth, and other disconnected youth populations. This grant balances project-based academic learning and occupational skills training to prepare disadvantaged youth for career placement.

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, DOL hopes to serve approximately 5,250 participants during the grant period of performance, with approximately 85 projects awarded across the country. Individual grants will range from \$700,000 to \$1.1 million and require a 25 percent match from applicants, using sources other than Federal funding. Grants will be awarded to public or private non-profit agencies. These organizations include rural, urban, or Native American agencies that have previously served disadvantaged youth in a YouthBuild or other similar program. Applicants include those that have never received a DOL YouthBuild award, have not received an award within the last six grant cycles, or have not yet completed their first DOL YouthBuild grant, and established applicants (those applicants that have previously received at least one YouthBuild grant from DOL, which is near completion and provides sufficient performance outcomes for review).

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 will be available on the www.grants.gov Web site. Based on past DOL experience, the Department anticipates 85 percent of responses will be submitted electronically and 15 percent of responses will be submitted through a hardcopy.

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 solicitation implicates no special circumstances.

Burden:

The DOL expects to receive approximately 200 applications from an equal number of respondents. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 20 hours per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining needed data, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

200 applications x 20 hours = 4,000 hours

The DOL has increased the average hourly earnings in the professional and business services industry to \$31.96 per hour to monetize this burden. See The Employment Situation—February 2018, DOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics, https://www.bls.gov/news.release/archives/empisit_03092018.pdf at page 33.

4,000 hours x \$31.96 = \$127,840

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 and performance reports to the ETA. Those information collection requirements will be cleared under a separate control number

Total burden: 200 respondents, 200 responses, 4,000 hours, \$0 other cost burden.

Supplemental Supporting Statement B: Statistical Methods

This information collection does not employ statistical methods.