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Subject: Request to increase burden related to the Building Bridges and Bonds (B3) study under generic IC 0970-0356

In March, OMB provided generic clearance for the Building Bridges and Bonds (B3) study to contact organizations for purposes of gathering preliminary information from the fatherhood field.

This is a request for an update to the original burden estimates. We anticipate needing additional hours to understand the field and discuss the field's interest in the B3 evaluation strategies and priorities. We request the following changes:

- **Semi-Structured Protocol for Initial Phone Call.** The length of the call remains the same (1 hour), however, we would like to increase the number of burden hours from 90 to 180. Based on our initial work under generic clearance (#0970-0356), the study team identified several new organizations that are applying to the Responsible Fatherhood grant and, in addition, as the field learns about the study, our team is being approached with information inquires. The additional burden hours will allow the study team to make calls to an additional number of organizations or give us the ability to accommodate more people who may request to join the one hour phone calls we host with any given organization.
- **Semi-Structured Protocol for Teleconference or Program Visit.** We would like to increase the number of burden hours and the average burden per response. Based on the initial visits we have completed under generic clearance (#0970-0356), the study team has found the average length of time to complete the semi-structured protocol to be slightly more than originally projected (4.5 hours vs. 3.5 hours). In addition, because of the demand described above, we anticipate making additional visits to interested organizations.