Contact Person: Dr. Richard Panniers, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5106, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435–1166.

Purpose/Agenda To review Small Business Innovation Research.

Name of SEP: Multidisciplinary Sciences. *Date:* June 24, 1996.

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD. Contact Person: Dr. Houston Baker, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5208, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435–1175.

Name of SEP: Multidisciplinary Sciences. *Date:* June 25, 1996.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Room 5116, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. Lee Rosen, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5116, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435–1171.

Name of SEP: Chemistry and Related Sciences.

Date: June 30-July 1, 1996.

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Place: Ritz Carlton Hotel, Arlington, VA. Contact Person: Dr. Richard Panniers, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5106, Bethesda Maryland 20892, (301) 435–1166.

Name of SEP: Multidisciplinary Sciences. *Date:* July 1, 1996.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Room 5116, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. Lee Rosen, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5116, Bethesda Maryland 20892, (301) 435–1171.

Name of SEP: Multidisciplinary Sciences. *Date:* July 1, 1996.

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD. Contact Person: Dr. Houston Baker, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5208, Bethesda Maryland 20892, (301) 435–1175.

Name of SEP: Chemistry and Related Sciences.

Date: July 11-13, 1996.

Time: 6:00 p.m.

HHS)

Place: State Plaza Hotel, Washington, DC. Contact Person: Dr. Richard Panniers, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5106, Bethesda Maryland 20892, (301) 435–1166.

The meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393–93.396, 93.837–93.844, 93.846–93.878.

93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health,

Dated: May 28, 1996.

Susan K. Feldman,

Committee Management Officer, NIH. [FR Doc. 96–13738 Filed 5–31–96; 8:45 am]

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Office of Refugee Resettlement

Request for applications for Fiscal Year 1996 Community and Family Strengthening Discretionary Social Service Grants Program

AGENCY: Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Request for applications to support projects under the Office of Refugee Resettlement's Fiscal Year 1996 Community and Family Strengthening Discretionary Social Service Grants Program for services to refugees.¹

SUMMARY: This program announcement governs the availability of and award procedures for approximately \$1,500,000 in FY 1996 Social Services discretionary grants. The Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) will accept competing applications for grants pursuant to the Director's discretionary authority under section 412(c)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended by section 311 of the Refugee Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96-212), 8 U.S.C. 1522(c); section 501(a) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96-422), 8 U.S.C. 1522 note, insofar as it incorporates by reference with respect to Cuban and Haitian entrants the authorities pertaining to assistance for refugees established by section 412(c) of the INA, as cited above; and the Refugee Assistance Extension Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-605).

Applications may request a project period of up to three years, with an initial budget period of one year. Where awards are for multiple year project periods, applications for continuation grants will be entertained in subsequent years on a non-competitive basis,

subject to availability of funds, successful progress of the project, and ACF's determination that this would be in the best interest of the government. This announcement contains forms and instructions for submitting an application.

CLOSING DATES: The closing dates for submission of applications is August 2, 1996. Applications postmarked after the closing date will be classified as late and will not be considered in the current competition.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THIS ANNOUNCEMENT, CONTACT: Anna Mary Portz, Project Officer, telephone (202) 401–1196, or E-mail at aportz@dhhs.acf.gov. You may address correspondence to the contact person as follows: Office of Refugee Resettlement, Administration for Children and Families, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW., Washington, DC 20447.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Legislative Authority

Section 412(c)(1)(A) of the INA authorizes the Director "to make grants to, and enter into contracts with, public or private nonprofit agencies for projects specifically designed—(i) To assist refugees in obtaining the skills which are necessary for economic selfsufficiency, including projects for job training, employment services, day care, professional refresher training, and other recertification services; (ii) to provide training in English where necessary (regardless of whether the refugees are employed or receiving cash or other assistance); and (iii) to provide where specific needs have been shown and recognized by the Director, health (including mental health) services, social services, educational and other services."

Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants are States and other public or private, nonprofit organizations and institutions. Current CFS grantees may participate in coalition applications under this announcement but are discouraged from being the lead applicant.

Availability of Funds

Approximately \$1.5 million will be awarded in FY 1996. Individual grants are expected to range from \$80,000 to \$250,000 per budget period. The Director reserves the right to award less, or more, than the funds described, in the absence of worthy applications, or under such other circumstances as may be deemed to be in the best interest of the government. Applicants may be required to reduce the scope of selected

¹ In addition to persons who meet all requirements of 45 CFR 400.43, eligibility for refugee social services also includes: (1) Cuban and Haitian entrants, under section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 (Pub. L. No. $\bar{9}6-$ 422); (2) certain Amerasians from Vietnam who are admitted to the U.S. as immigrants under section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1988, as included in the FY 1988 Continuing Resolution (Pub. L. No. 100-202); and (3) certain Amerasians from Vietnam, including U.S. citizens, under title II of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1989 (Pub. L. No. 100-461), 1990 (Pub. L. No. 101-167) and 1991 (Pub. L. No. 101-513). For convenience, the term "refugee" is used in this notice to encompass all such eligible persons unless the specific context indicates otherwise.

projects to accommodate the amount of the grant award approved.

Length of Application

Applicants are encouraged to limit project descriptions (Part IV of the application for each component) to 20 pages (typewritten, double spaced on standard, letter-size paper) plus no more than 20 pages of appended material. This limitation of 20 pages per component should be considered as a maximum, and not necessarily a goal to be achieved.

Cost-Sharing Requirement

In applications making provision for cost-sharing funds, applicants will be held accountable for commitments of non-Federal resources. Failure to provide required cost-sharing resources may result in disallowance of Federal funds and/or cancellation of future budget periods.

Background: Community and Family Strengthening

As with all programs funded by appropriations pursuant to the Refugee Act, services may be provided only to refugees (see definition in footnote 1, above) and may not be provided to refugees who have become citizens (except for those Amerasians listed in footnote 1). Further, the intent of this announcement is to target primarily refugees who have arrived within the last five years and give special consideration to the needs of refugees who have experienced long stays in overseas camps. Therefore, applicants are advised to consider the needs of recently arrived families and of their communities in responding to the particulars of this announcement.

Many American communities with high concentrations of refugees also experience urban sprawl, increased specialization of services, and a diversity of local services and providers. These considerations have increased the need for better communication and cooperation among agencies in order to enhance program effectiveness, provide services that meet the current needs of the refugee population, and avoid duplication or fragmentation of services. These large communities have experienced a broad range of social and economic problems among some refugee populations, particularly with regard to refugee women, youth, elderly, and in those sectors characterized by a high incidence of crime, violence, and neighborhood deterioration.

Most newly arriving refugees join family members already residing in the larger community. This concentration has the potential for a highly supportive environment for new arrivals. Human service systems tend to be strong in these areas. The larger communities are also environments in which resources can be organized through refugee mutual assistance associations (MAAs), as well as other refugee community religious and social services organizations, to support and expand the economic and social infrastructure of the community. Conversely, in some areas, a mix of ethnic groups among arrivals also contributes to reduced capacity for local self-help activity in each ethnic community of newcomers.

While employment and economic independence continue to be ORR's primary concern and the focus of the formula social services and targeted assistance funding, this announcement provides an opportunity for local organizations to request funding for activities which supplement and complement employment-related services by strengthening refugee families and communities.

Coalitions

Local organizations, which have not already done so, are encouraged to build coalitions for the purpose of applying under this announcement. The activities funded by these grants are intended to serve as a catalyst to bring the community together to address the economic and social problems of refugee families and the refugee community. The goal in all cases should be to build and strengthen the community's capacity to serve its members in improving the quality of life and standard of living for refugee families. While activities proposed do not have to be directly employment related, applicants should be guided by the overarching goal of improving the economic condition of refugee families and of gearing them to adjust socially and economically to their new country and their new communities.

This announcement strongly encourages partnerships or consortia of three or more eligible organizations to submit joint applications for grants. In each application, one organization must be clearly identified as the grant recipient (grantee) with primary administrative and fiscal responsibilities. Applications from consortia which do not clearly specify which organization will serve as grantee cannot be considered. In all cases the applicant must demonstrate that wherever potential partners for collaboration exist, the applicant, at a minimum, has planned the proposed activities in collaboration with these potential partners, whether they are in the refugee services provider

community of organizations and institutions or in mainstream services organizations, e.g., adult basic education providers, senior citizens organizations, women's shelters. Consultation might also include the Mayor's office, school parent-teacher groups, local police departments, and other mainstream community service organizations.

This announcement is intended to encourage service planners and providers to consider the various unmet needs of refugee families and communities relative to existing services, the capacity of the serviceproviding network, and ultimately the community's capacity to continue the activity without additional ORR resources beyond the three-year project period of this announcement. Longrange viability may depend on: linkages to activities funded by other sources, the availability of expertise in the community, the relatedness of proposed activities to existing activities, the willingness of the community to participate actively in assuring the success of the activity—including volunteer commitment, and the likelihood of tangible results.

The scoring in the review criteria is heavily weighted to encourage coalition projects. To receive maximum consideration, the applicant should represent a coalition of a minimum of three participating organizations in the local project area.

Service Compatibility

Applicants also are more likely to be successful in obtaining a grant if they describe the refugee community, family, and service capacity concerns under consideration. It should be clear how the proposed activity fits into the existing network of services; how it responds to the particular needs of families in that community or to a broader need of the community of families; who is committed to do what in order to accomplish this goal; and what the goal or expected outcome of the activity is.

The process of coalition-building is key to strengthening cooperation and coordination among the local service providers, community leaders, Mutual Assistance Associations, voluntary agencies, churches, and other public and private organizations involved in refugee resettlement and/or community service. ORR intends that this process will be part of local efforts to build strategic partnerships among these groups to expand their capacity to serve the social and economic needs of refugees and to give support and direction to ethnic communities facing

problems in economic independence and social adjustment.

In all cases, regardless of the nature of the organization proposed to provide services or conduct activities funded under this announcement, the services/activities must be conducted by staff linguistically and culturally compatible with the refugee families or communities to be served. In addition, the applicant must describe how proposed providers will have access to the families and to the community to be served.

Where the application represents a coalition of providers, the applicant should include in the application package a signed partnership agreement which includes a commitment or statement of intent to commit resources from the prospective partner(s) contingent upon receipt of ORR funds. The agreement should state how the partnership arrangement relates to the objectives of the project. The applicant should also include: supporting documentation identifying the resources, experience, and expertise of the partner(s); evidence that the partner(s) has been involved in the planning of the project; and a discussion of the role of the partner(s) in the implementation and conduct of the project. In this context, ORR is defining partnership as a formal negotiated arrangement among organizations that provides for substantive collaborative roles for each of the partners in the planning and conduct of the project.

All applicants should demonstrate existing refugee community support for their agency and their proposed project. If the applicant works in an area where no other organizations work with refugees, and a coalition with other organizations is not possible, this should be explained and documented. Applicants and their partners should provide evidence that their governing bodies, boards of directors, or advisory bodies are representative of the refugee communities being served, and have both male and female representation.

Because funding under this program announcement is limited, applicants are urged to plan for the use of these funds in conjunction with other Federal, State, and private funds available to assist the target populations and to carry out similar programs and activities (costsharing). In subsequent year continuation applications, the grantee will be asked to document receipt of non-Federal funds from other sources. The requirement will be not less than 20% of the full budget for the second year award, and 40% for the third year award. For example, if the original budget is \$150,000, the federal share for

that year may be 100%. The second year the federal award might be \$120,000 and the grantee would be required to provide at a minimum cost-sharing of 20% of the full budget, or in the amount of \$30,000 cash or in-kind support. The third year federal award might be \$90,000 and the grantee would be required to provide cost-sharing of 40% of the full budget. Only in unusual circumstances will the Director of ORR entertain a request from the grantee to reduce or waive the cost-sharing requirement which may be determined to be in the best interest of the government.

Allowable Services/Activities for Community Support Grants

ORR will consider applications for services which an applicant justifies, based on an analysis of service needs and available resources, as necessary to address the social and economic problems of refugee families and of the refugee community.

The specific services proposed may be as diverse as the communities themselves. Some examples follow which are not intended to be a comprehensive list but are intended to stimulate planning and community discussion. The examples do not include the more traditional employment and English language services for which the States predominantly contract with the formula social services and targeted assistance funds—not because these services are discouraged or disallowed under this announcement, but because repetition here is not necessary. It will be the task of the local planning processes to determine what is needed to address the economic and social adjustment needs of families and the community and to make the case for what is being proposed in the application. Activities and services proposed should be planned in conjunction with existing services and should supplement and complement these services. Special attention should be given in the planning process to the services available to all citizens, including community institutions which serve the elderly, youth and special needs populations.

Non-Allowable Activities

Funds will not be awarded to applicants who propose to engage in activities of a distinctly political nature or which are designed primarily to promote the preservation of cultural heritage, or which have an international objective. ORR supports refugee community efforts to preserve cultural heritage, but believes these are activities

which communities should conduct without recourse to ORR resources.

Some Examples of Allowable Activities

Orientation and Community Education

- Activities designed to inform the refugee community about issues essential to effective participation in the new society.
- —Classes in parenting skills, including information about U.S. cultural and legal issues, e.g., related to corporal punishment, generational conflict, and child abuse.
- Orientation and assistance to parents in connecting with the school system and other local community organizations.
- —Information services on health care: information on access to health care for the uninsured, on health insurance, on health maintenance organizations, on the importance of preventive health, and on available universal coverage services, e.g., immunizations.

Specialized English Language Training

- Specialized classes for specific industries in conjunction with employers.
- —Specialized classes for groups outside the regular classes, e.g., homebound women, elderly. Use of volunteers is encouraged. Accessibility of site and time is important.

Leadership Training

 Potential participants should be involved in designing the training.
 Activities might include community organizing, fund raising, non-profit management, other needs identified by potential participants.

Mentoring Programs

—Pairing participant individuals or families with community volunteers. Programs should target refugees who are not otherwise receiving core services, and mentoring should target needs they identify.

Peer Support Groups

—Assisting subgroups to form a common bond for resolution of peer-specific problems. The purposes are to solve individual, family, and community problems with the support of peers and to solve common problems through group action.

Citizenship Education

 Education and training designed to prepare refugees to become citizens.

Combating Violence in Families

 Information and training against domestic violence, child abuse, sexual harassment and coercion, roles of men and women in U.S. culture, techniques for protection. Bi-lingual staff for women's shelters.

Crime Prevention/Victimization

—Activities designed to improve relations between refugees and the law enforcement communities: (a) public service officers or community liaisons; (b) neighborhood storefronts and/or watch programs; (c) refugee business watch program; (d) cross cultural training for the law enforcement community (police departments, court system, mediation/dispute resolution centers).

Note: Law enforcement activities, such as hiring sworn police officers (except those who are public service officers or community liaison officers), fingerprinting, incarceration, etc., are outside the scope of allowable services under the Refugee Act and will not be considered for funding. Other unallowable activities are those limited to, or principally focused on, parole counseling, court advocacy, and child protection services.

Refugee Community Centers

 Developing and operating community centers for delivering services to refugee individuals and families.
 Centers may also be used for recreation, information and referral services and community gatherings.
 (Costs related to construction or renovation will not be considered, nor will costs for food or beverages).

Community Organizing

—Communities might be organized for housing cooperatives, for youth activities, for services to elderly, for volunteer mentoring services, for crime prevention.

The above are only examples of services. They are not intended to limit potential applicants in community planning.

These examples are listed and generically described without regard to the population to be served. It will be necessary in the application to describe more specifically the target population. For example, one activity might be appropriately designed to serve only homebound women. Another might be designed for teen-agers and their parents. Another might be for elderly. Some might be targeted for all members of the family. Applications should correlate a planned activity with specific target audiences and discuss the relationship between the proposed activities and the target population.

Application Content and Review Criteria

Application Content

A. Need and Scope

Applicants should submit a detailed profile of the target community or communities to include the following:

- —Refugee Community: A description by geographic area or ethnic group of the refugee community to be served, including numbers, ethnicity, welfare utilization pattern, number of refugee families in the community, family characteristics, and an assessment of attitudes of the refugees and the general community toward each other.
- —Target Population: Applicants must submit a profile of the specific target population to be served. The applicant must describe the target population, reflecting ethnicity, age makeup, and length of time in the United States. All discrete refugee target populations may be considered. A target population may include, but is not limited to: an ethnic group refugee families, women, youth, older workers, two-parent families on public assistance, or the aged. The applicant must provide justification for the selection of the target population.

Include a description of the problem(s) which the applicant/ coalition has identified and for which funds are being requested, and a broad overview of the refugee resettlement picture in the community in which the applicant is proposing to conduct activities

The applicant shall describe the existing service delivery systems(s) and existing community networks and explain how the activities proposed complement and do not supplant existing services.

B. Strategy and Program Design

Project design must include representatives of the target population. For example, a project designed to assist single mothers needs to be designed in consultation with single mothers. Input by the target population is viewed as particularly important.

The description of strategy and program design should also include:

- —The proposed strategy for addressing the needs identified for the target population.
- —The activities proposed to be funded under this grant application, including locations proposed for services, time of service vis-a-vis normal workday, and any special cultural considerations.

Identification of projected performance outcomes and proposed milestones measuring progress, as appropriate to the services proposed by the end of the first budget period and over the entire requested project period. While ORR recognizes that in many family and community services outcomes may be difficult to quantify, ORR encourages applicants, to the extent possible, to develop innovative quantifiable measures related to the desired outcomes for purposes of monitoring and project assessment.

—The extent to which the award is projected to be augmented or supplemented by other funding during and beyond (i.e. in the second and any subsequent year of) the grant period, or can be integrated into other existing service systems.

C. Capability Statement

A list of the organizations participating in the applicant coalition, a clear statement of which agency will serve as grantee in the event of an award, a description of the role of each member of the coalition in the project's proposed activities, and a memorandum detailing collaboration signed by all parties must be submitted.

Applications representing coalitions of local organizations shall describe the nature of the agreement among collaborating agencies and include a copy of a signed agreement attesting to a common understanding of how the partners will relate to each other administratively and programmatically in carrying out the proposed activities under the grant. Document resources, experience, and expertise. In addition, proposed linkages with other refugee/entrant service agencies and/or organizations, and with human service agencies should be detailed.

The applicant shall discuss the gender balance and constituent representation of the board members of the participating organizations or of the proposed project's advisory board.

The applicant shall describe how this project will gain access to the target population and ensure that services are linguistically and culturally appropriate.

The applicant shall describe the administrative and management features of the project. The administrative description should detail each of the following:

—Qualifications of the applicant organization and any partners.

—A description of the applicant's plan for fiscal and programmatic management of each activity, including proposed start-up time, ongoing timelines, major milestones

- or benchmarks, a component/project organization chart, and a staffing
- —A description of information collection (participant and outcome data) and monitoring proposed.

D. Budget and Funding

- Budget, by line item, with narrative justification.
- —A description of how the need for the ORR funding requested will be phased out over the life of the project and a description of the cost-sharing plan for any subsequent budget periods (e.g. how other resources will be leveraged to maintain the full budget during the overall project period of the ORR grant).

Criteria for Evaluating Grant Applications

Each application will be rated individually on the following:

A. Need and Scope—(25 points)

- —Profile of refugee community and target population. Clarity of description and soundness of rationale for selection of targeted community or population.
- Adequacy and quality of data provided and quality of the analysis of data provided in the application.
- —Clarity and comprehensiveness of needs identification and problem statement and of the description of the local context in which grant activities are proposed.
- —Comprehensiveness of description of existing services and community network and explanation of how the proposed services complement what is already in place.
- Evidence of consultation with target population.

B. Proposed Strategy and Program Design (25 points)

- —Soundness of strategy and program design for meeting identified needs.
- —The quality of the outcomes proposed and the component's potential for achieving the outcomes within the grant's project period. The potential of the project to have a positive impact on the quality of the lives of refugee families and communities.
- Adequate detail in the description of linkages with other providers and roles of collaborating agencies in project implementation.
- —Extent to which the need described is expected to be met and/or to which the services will be augmented, supplemented, or integrated with existing services.

- C. Applicant/Coalition Capability—(30 points)
- —Validity and reasonableness of the proposed coalition arrangement to perform the proposed activities. Commitment of coalition partners in implementing the activities as demonstrated by letters or the language of the signed agreement among participants. (Where no potential coalition partners are documented to be available, the applicant will not be penalized under this criteria. The applicant shall still describe any consultation efforts undertaken and its consultation with the refugee community.)

 Experience of the applicant/coalition in performing the proposed services.

- Adequacy of gender balance and constituent representatives of board members of participant organizations or of the proposed project's advisory board.
- Adequacy of assurance that proposed services will be linguistically and culturally appropriate to the target population.
- —Qualifications of the individual organization staff and any volunteers.
- D. Budget and Financial Management—(20 points)
- Reasonableness of budget in relation to the proposed activities and anticipated results.
- —Adequacy of proposed monitoring and information collection.
- —Realistic plan for the continuation of services with a phase-out of ORR grant funding over the multi-year project period. Extent to which the application makes provision for costsharing (e.g. leveraging ORR funds with non-Federal funds or in-kind support) to maintain the full budget during the overall project. If available, the value of such leveraged funds or in-kind support and any preliminary commitments.

Total: 100 points

General Procedure for Competitive Review of Applications

Applicants will be reviewed competitively and scored by an independent review panel of experts in accordance with ACF grants policy and the criteria stated below. The results of the independent review panel scores and explanatory comments will assist the Director of ORR in considering competing applications. Reviewers' scores will weigh heavily in funding decisions but will not be the only factors considered. Applications generally will be considered in order of the average scores assigned by the

reviewers. However, during the federal assessment process, lead applicants who are current recipients of Community and Family Strengthening funds in these areas may receive less consideration than new lead applicants. Highly ranked applications are not guaranteed funding since other factors are taken into consideration, including: comments of reviewers and of ACF/ORR officials; previous program performance of applicants; compliance with grant terms under previous DHHS grants; audit reports; and investigative reports. Final funding decisions will be made by the Director of ORR.

Application Preparation and Submission

Availability of Forms

Attachments contain all of the standard forms necessary for the application for awards under this announcement. Further, copies of the Federal Register containing this announcement are available at most local libraries and Congressional District Offices for reproduction. If copies are not available at these sources, they may be obtained by writing or telephoning the following office: Office of Refugee Resettlement, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW., Washington, DC 20447 Telephone: (202) 401–1196.

Forms, Certifications, Assurances, and Disclosure

- 1. Applications for financial assistance under this announcement must file the Standard Form (SF) 424, Application for Federal Assistance; SF–424A, Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs; SF–424B, Assurances—Non-Construction Programs. The instructions and forms required for submission of applications are included. The forms may be reproduced for use in submitting applications. An application with an original signature and two copies is required.
- 2. Applicants must provide the following certifications. Copies of the forms and assurances are located at the end of this announcement.

Certification regarding lobbying if your anticipated award exceeds \$100,000.

Certification regarding environmental tobacco smoke.

3. Applicants must make the appropriate certification of compliance with the following three items. In each, by signing and submitting the applications, applicants are providing the certification and need not mail back the certification with the applications.

Certification regarding debarment, suspension, and other responsibility matters.

Certification of compliance with the Pro-Children Act of 1994.

Certification of their compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988.

4. (a) *Deadline:* Mailed applications shall be considered as meeting an announced deadline if they are either received on or before the deadline date or sent on or before the deadline date and received by ACF in time for the independent review to: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Division of Discretionary Grants, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Mail Stop 6C–462, Washington, D.C. 20447, Attention: Application for New Community and Family Strengthening

Applicants are cautioned to request a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark or to obtain a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier or U.S. Postal Service. Private Metered postmarks shall not be acceptable as proof of timely mailing.

Applications handcarried by applicants, applicant couriers, or by overnight/express mail couriers shall be considered as meeting an announced deadline if they are received on or before the deadline date, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Division of Discretionary Grants, ACF Mailroom, 2nd Floor Loading Dock, Aerospace Center, 901 D Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20024, between Monday and Friday (excluding Federal holidays). (Applicants are cautioned that express/overnight mail services do not always deliver as agreed.)

ACF cannot accommodate transmission of applications by fax or through other electronic media. Therefore, applications transmitted to ACF electronically will not be accepted regardless of date or time of submission and time of receipt.

- b. Late applications: Applications which do not meet the criteria above are considered late applications. ACF shall notify each late applicant that its application will not be considered in the current competition.
- c. Extension of deadlines: ACF may extend the deadline for all applicants because of acts of God such as floods, hurricanes, etc., widespread disruption of the mails, or when it is anticipated that many of the applications will come from rural or remote areas. However, if the granting agency does not extend the deadline for all applicants, it may not

waive or extend the deadline for any applicants.

d. Once an application has been submitted, it is considered as final and no additional materials will be accepted by ACF.

Non-Profits Status

Applicants other than public agencies must provide evidence of their nonprofit status with their applications. Any of the following is acceptable evidence: (1) a copy of the applicant organization's listing in the Internal Revenue Service's most recent list of tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code; or (2) a copy of the currently valid IRS tax exemption certificate.

Intergovernmental Review

This program is covered under Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs," and 45 CFR Part 100, "Intergovernmental Review of Department of Health and Human Service Programs and Activities."

As of February, 1996, the following jurisdictions have elected not to participate in the Executive Order process. Applicants from these jurisdictions need take no action in regard to E.O. 12372: Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington, American Samoa, and Palau.

All remaining jurisdictions participate in the E.O. process and have established Single Points of Contact (SPOCs). A list of the Single Points of Contact for each State and Territory is included as Appendix A of this announcement.

Applicants from participating jurisdictions should contact their SPOCs as soon as possible to alert them to the prospective applications and receive instructions. Applicants must submit any required material to the SPOCs as soon as possible so that the program office can obtain and review SPOC comments as part of the award process. The applicant must submit all required materials, if any, to the SPOC and indicate the date of this submittal (or the date of contact if no submittal is required) on the Standard Form 424, item 16a.

Under 45 CFR 100.8(a)(2), a SPOC has 60 days from the application deadline to comment on proposed new or competing continuation awards. SPOCs are encouraged to eliminate the submission of routine endorsements as official recommendations.

Additionally, SPOCs are requested to clearly differentiate between mere advisory comments and those official State process recommendations which may trigger the "accommodate or explain" rule. When comments are submitted directly to ACF, they should be addressed to: Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Division of Discretionary Grants, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447.

H. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. Law 104–13, the Department is required to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval any reporting and recordkeeping requirements in regulations, including program announcements. All information required by this is covered under the following OMB Approval Nos:

- SF 424 (OMB Clearance No. 0348– 0043) Application for Federal Assistance.
- SF 424A (OMB Clearance No. 0348–044) Budget Information.
- SF 424B (OMB Clearance No. 0348–040) Assurances—Non Construction Programs.
- SF ORR-6 (Revised 9/05/95; OMB Clearance No. 0970–0036) Quarterly Performance Report.

I. Applicable Regulations

Applicable HHS regulations will be provided to grantees upon award.

J. Reporting Requirements

Grantees are required to file Financial Status (SF–269) semi-annually and Program Progress Reports on a quarterly basis. Funds issued under these awards must be accounted for and reported upon separately from all other grant activities.

Although ORR does not expect the proposed components/projects to include evaluation activities, it does expect grantees to maintain adequate records to track and report on project outcomes and expenditures by budget line item.

The official receipt point for all reports and correspondence is the Division of Discretionary Grants. The original copy of each report shall be submitted to the Grants Management Specialist, ACF, with a copy being sent simultaneously to the ORR Project Officer. The mailing address for both the Division of Discretionary Grants and the Office of Refugee Resettlement is: Aerospace Building, Sixth Floor, 370

L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447.

The final Financial and Program Progress Reports shall be due 90 days

after the budget expiration date or termination of grant support.

(The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number assigned to this announcement is 93.576)

Dated: May 28, 1996. Lavinia Limon,

Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement.

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Standard Form 424 (REV 4-88) Prescribed by OMB Circular A-102

Instructions for the SF 424

This is a standard form used by applicants as a required facesheet for preapplications and applications submitted for Federal assistance. It will be used by Federal agencies to obtain applicant certification that States which have established a review and comment procedure in response to Executive Order 12372 and have selected the program to be included in their process, have been given an opportunity to review the applicant's submission.

Item and Entry

- 1. Self-explanatory.
- 2. Date application submitted to Federal agency (or State if applicable) & applicant's control number (if applicable).
 - 3. State use only (if applicable).
- 4. If this application is to continue or revise an existing award, enter present Federal identifier number. If for a new project, leave blank.
- 5. Legal name of applicant, name of primary organizational unit which will undertake the assistance activity, complete address of the applicant, and name and telephone number of the person to contact on matters related to this application.
- 6. Enter Employer Identification Number (EIN) as assigned by the Internal Revenue Service.
- 7. Enter the appropriate letter in the space provided.

- 8. Check appropriate box and enter appropriate letter(s) in the space(s) provided:
 —"New" means a new assistance award.
- —"Continuation" means an extension for an additional funding/budget period for a
- project with a projected completion date.
 —"Revision" means any change in the
 Federal Government's financial obligation or
 contingent liability from an existing
 obligation.
- 9. Name of Federal agency from which assistance is being requested with this application.
- 10. Use the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number and title of the program under which assistance is requested.
- 11. Enter a brief descriptive title of the project. If more than one program is involved, you should append an explanation on a separate sheet. If appropriate (e.g., construction or real property projects), attach a map showing project location. For preapplications, use a separate sheet to provide a summary description of this project.
- 12. List only the largest political entities affected (e.g., State, counties, cities).
 - 13. Self-explanatory.
- 14. List the applicant's Congressional District and any District(s) affected by the program or project.
- 15. Amount requested or to be contributed during the first funding/budget period by each contributor. Value of in-kind

- contributions should be included on appropriate lines as applicable. If the action will result in a dollar change to an existing award, indicate *only* the amount of the change. For decreases, enclose the amounts in parentheses. If both basic and supplemental amounts are included, show breakdown on an attached sheet. For multiple program funding, use totals and show breakdown using same categories as item 15.
- 16. Applicants should contact the State Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for Federal Executive Order 12372 to determine whether the application is subject to the State intergovernmental review process.
- 17. This question applies to the applicant organization, not the person who signs as the authorized representative. Categories of debt include delinquent audit disallowances, loans and taxes.
- 18. To be signed by the authorized representative of the applicant. A copy of the government body's authorization for you to sign this application as official representative must be on file in the applicant's office. (Certain Federal agencies may require that this authorization be submitted as part of the application.)

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	Grant Program Function	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance	Estimated Unobligated Funds	oligated Funds		New or Revised Budget	
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(a) Grant Program			FUTURE FUNDING	FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (Years)	
		(b) First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth
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Instructions for the SF-424A

General Instructions

This form is designed so that application can be made for funds from one or more grant programs. In preparing the budget, adhere to any existing Federal grantor agency guidelines which prescribe how and whether budgeted amounts should be separately shown for different functions or activities within the program. For some programs, grantor agencies may require budgets to be separately shown by function or activity. For other programs, grantor agencies may require a breakdown by function or activity. Sections A, B, C, and D should include budget estimates for the whole project except when applying for assistance which requires Federal authorization in annual or other funding period increments. In the latter case, Sections, A, B, C, and D should provide the budget for the first budget period (usually a year) and Section E should present the need for Federal assistance in the subsequent budget periods. All applications should contain a breakdown by the object class categories shown in Lines a-k of Section B.

Section A. Budget Summary

Lines 1-4, Columns (a) and (b)

For applications pertaining to a single Federal grant program (Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog number) and not requiring a functional or activity breakdown, enter on Line 1 under Column (a) the catalog program title and the catalog number in Column (b).

For applications pertaining to a single program requiring budget amounts by multiple functions or activities, enter the name of each activity or function on each line in Column (a), and enter the catalog number in Column (b). For applications pertaining to multiple programs where none of the programs require a breakdown by function or activity, enter the catalog program title on each line in Column (a) and the respective catalog number on each line in Column (b).

For applications pertaining to multiple programs where one or more programs require a breakdown by function or activity, prepare a separate sheet for each program requiring the breakdown. Additional sheets should be used when one form does not provide adequate space for all breakdown of data required. However, when more than one sheet is used, the first page should provide the summary totals by programs.

Lines 1-4, Columns (c) through (g)

For new applications, leave Columns (c) and (d) blank. For each line entry in Columns (a) and (b), enter in Columns (e), (f), and (g) the appropriate amounts of funds needed to support the project for the first funding period (usually a year).

For continuing grant program applications, submit these forms before the end of each funding period as required by the grantor agency. Enter in Columns (c) and (d) the estimated amounts of funds which will remain unobligated at the end of the grant funding period only if the Federal grantor agency instructions provide for this.

Otherwise, leave these columns blank. Enter in Columns (e) and (f) the amounts of funds

needed for the upcoming period. The amount(s) in Column (g) should be the sum of amounts in Columns (e) and (f).

For supplemental grants and changes to existing grants, do not use Columns (c) and (d). Enter in Column (e) the amount of the increase or decrease of Federal funds and enter in Column (f) the amount of the increase or decrease of non-Federal funds. In Column (g) enter the new total budgeted amount (Federal and non-Federal) which includes the total previous authorized budgeted amounts plus or minus, as appropriate, the amounts shown in Columns (e) and (f). The amount(s) in Column (g) should not equal the sum of amounts in Columns (e) and (f).

Line 5—Show the totals for all columns used.

Section B Budget Categories

In the column headings (1) through (4), enter the titles of the same programs, functions, and activities shown on Lines 1–4, Column (a), Section A. When additional sheets are prepared for Section A, provide similar column headings on each sheet. For each program, function or activity, fill in the total requirements for funds (both Federal and non-Federal) by object class categories.

Lines 6a-i—Show the totals of Lines 6a to 6h in each column.

Line 6j—Show the amount of indirect cost. Line 6k—Enter the total amounts on Lines 6i and 6j. For all applications for new grants and continuation grants the total amount in column (5), Line 6k, should be the same as the total amount shown in Section A, Column (g), Line 5. For supplemental grants and changes to grants, the total amount of the increase or decrease as shown in Columns (1)–(4), Line 6k should be the same as the sum of the amounts in Section A, Columns (e) and (f) on Line 5.

Line 7—Enter the estimated amount of income, if any, expected to be generated from this project. Do not add or subtract this amount from the total project amount. Show under the program narrative statement the nature and source of income. The estimated amount of program income may be considered by the federal grantor agency in determining the total amount of the grant.

Section C. Non-Federal-Resources

Lines 8–11—Enter amounts of non-Federal resources that will be used on the grant. If in-kind contributions are included, provide a brief explanation on a separate sheet.

Column (a)—Enter the program titles identical to Column (a), Section A. A breakdown by function or activity is not necessary.

Column (b)—Enter the contribution to be made by the applicant.

Column (c)—Enter the amount of the State's cash and in-kind contribution if the applicant is not a State or State agency. Applicants which are a State or State agencies should leave this column blank.

Column (d)—Enter the amount of cash and in-kind contributions to be made from all other sources

Column (e)—Enter totals of Columns (b), (c), and (d).

Line 12—Enter the total for each of Columns (b)–(e). The amount in Column (e)

should be equal to the amount on Line 5, Column (f), Section A.

Section D. Forecasted Cash Needs

Line 13—Enter the amount of cash needed by quarter from the grantor agency during the first year.

Line 14—Enter the amount of cash from all other sources needed by quarter during the first year.

Line 15—Enter the totals of amounts on Lines 13 and 14.

Section E. Budget Estimates of Federal Funds Needed for Balance of the Project

Lines 16–19—Enter in Column (a) the same grant program titles shown in Column (a), Section A. A breakdown by function or activity is not necessary. For new applications and continuation grant applications, enter in the proper columns amounts of Federal funds which will be needed to complete the program or project over the succeeding funding periods (usually in years). This section need not be completed for revisions (amendments, changes, or supplements) to funds for the current year of existing grants.

If more than four lines are needed to list the program titles, submit additional schedules as necessary.

Line 20—Enter the total for each of the Columns (b)–(e). When additional schedules are prepared for this Section, annotate accordingly and show the overall totals on this line

Section F. Other Budget Information

Line 21—Use this space to explain amounts for individual direct object-class cost categories that may appear to be out of the ordinary or to explain the details as required by the Federal grantor agency.

Line 22—Enter the type of indirect rate (provisional, predetermined, final or fixed) that will be effect during the funding period, the estimated amount of the base to which the rate is applied, and the total indirect expense.

Line 23—Provide any other explanations or comments deemed necessary.

Assurances—Non-Construction Programs

Note: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.

2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, and if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in

accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.

- 3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
- 4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- 5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4728–4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the nineteen statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
- 6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;
- (e) the Drug Abuse Office of Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§ 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. 290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

- 7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91–646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
- 8. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§ 1501–1508 and 7324–7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
- 9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a–7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 276c and 18 U.S.C. §§ 874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 327–333), regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction subagreements.
- 10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93–234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
- 11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§ 1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clear Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clear Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under

- the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (P.L. 93–523); and (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (P.L. 93–205).
- 12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§ 1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
- 13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 469a–1 et seq.).
- 14. Will comply with P.L. 93–348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
- 15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89–544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
- 16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
- 17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act of 1984.
- 18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations and policies governing this program.

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Applicant Organization

Date Submitted

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements Grantees Other Than Individuals

By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification set out below.

This certification is required by regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, 45 CFR Part 76, Subpart F. The regulations, published in the May 25, 1990 Federal Register, require certification by grantees that they will maintain a drug-free workplace. The certification set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) determines to award the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HHS, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may taken action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act. False certification or violation of the certification shall be grounds for suspension of payments, suspension or termination of grants, or governmentwide suspension or debarment.

Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's

drug-free workplace requirements.

Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio studios.)

If the workplace identified to HHS changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see above).

Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

"Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 USC 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15).

"Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

"Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution,

dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

"Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All "direct charge" employees; (ii) all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and, (iii) temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

The grantee certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
 - (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace; (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace; (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and, (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
- (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:
- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and, (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
- (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant:

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted: (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or, (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency; (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f). The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant (use attachments, if needed):
Place of Performance (Street address, City, County, State, ZIP Code)
Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.
Sections 76.630(c) and (d)(2) and 76.635(a)(1) and (b) provide that a Federal agency may designate a central receipt point for STATE-WIDE AND STATE AGENCY-WIDE certifications, and for notification of criminal drug convictions. For the Department of Health and Human Services, the central receipt point is: Division of Grants Management and Oversight, Office of Management and Acquisition, Department of Health and Human Services, Room 517-D, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201.
DGMO Form#2 Revised May 1990

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters—Primary Covered Transactions

By signing and submitting this proposal, the applicant, defined as the primary participant in accordance with 45 CFR Part 76, certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and its principals:

(a) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal Department or agency;

(b) have not within a 3-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

(c) are not presently indicated or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

(d) have not within a 3-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

The inability of a person to provide the certification required above will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. If necessary, the prospective participate shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.

The prospective primary participant agrees that by submitting this proposal, it will include the clause entitled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions" provided below without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions

(To Be Supplied to Lower Tier Participants)

By signing and submitting this lower tier proposal, the prospective lower tier participant, as defined in 45 CFR Part 76, certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and its principals:

(a) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

(b) where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the above, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause entitled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions" without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

Certification Regarding Lobbying

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of a Member of Congress in connection

with this Federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

State for Loan Guarantee and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Signature		
Title		
Organization		
Date		

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Approved by OMB 0348-0046

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

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Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke

Public Law 103-227, Part C-Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000 per day and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity.

By signing and submitting this application the applicant/grantee certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act. The applicant/grantee further agrees that it will require the language of this certification be included in any subawards which contain provisions for children's services and that all subgrantees shall certify accordingly.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-3917-N-74]

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development; Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment, OMB Approval No. 2506– 0020

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject information collection.

DATES: Comments due: August 2, 1996. ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Sheila E. Jones, Department of Housing & Urban Development, 451—7th Street, SW, Room 7230, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Clifton Barnhill, telephone number (202) 708–1322 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of HUD,

including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, such as using appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Small businesses or other small entities are not impacted by this information collection request.

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Title of Proposal: Application for CDBG Funds (HUD Form 4124) and Performance Assessment Report (HUD Form 4052).

OMB Control Number: 2506-0020. Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 established the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Program has two components—an entitlement component for metropolitan cities and urban counties and a nonentitlement component for small communities and rural areas. The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 gave states the opportunity to assume administration of the nonentitlement component. Currently, 49 states (including Puerto Rico) administer the nonentitlement, or State CDBG Program. Only two states, New York and Hawaii, have not elected to assume administrative responsibility for the program. HUD is statutorily required to administer a nonentitlement program (commonly known as the "Small Cities Program") in any state which does not assume administration of the program.

Two forms are used for administration of the HUD-administrated Small Cities Program. These forms for which this information collection extension is requested are: (1) the application form for funds; and (2) the annual Performance Assessment Report (PAR) submitted annually by the grantees which enables HUD to track program progress.

HUD Form 4124 (the application) is used by units of general local government (jurisdictions) in New York to apply for funds and by HUD to rate and rank proposed projects for funding. In the New York Small Cities Program, the program is operated on a competitive basis and the application form is essential for the rating and ranking process to take place. The lack of an approved application form would