

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 12, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 27 and October 24, 1997, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (62 FR 34686 and 55390) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodities and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the commodities and services to the Government.
2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and services.
3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and services to the Government.
4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following commodities and services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Commodities

Pad, Floor Polishing

7910-01-363-6975

Box, Shipping

8115-00-050-5237

8115-01-015-1314

8115-01-015-1313

Services

Janitorial/Custodial

Federal Building, 1301 Clay Street, Oakland, California

Janitorial/Custodial

Libby USARC, New Haven, Connecticut

Janitorial/Custodial

Paul J. Sutcovoy USARC, Waterbury, Connecticut

Mailroom Operation

Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Beverly L. Milkman,
Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[Docket No. 970827207-7207-01]

Financial Assistance for Internship Program for Postsecondary Students

AGENCY: Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DoC) is establishing a postsecondary internship program to aid and promote experiential training activities which foster future employment in DoC or the Federal Government in general. U.S. citizens enrolled as students in two-and four-year accredited educational institutions will participate in on-site work experiences in DoC bureaus and offices in order to integrate academic theory and workplace requirements; gain relevant skills and knowledge; explore Federal career options; develop professional networks; and develop a greater awareness of the role of Federal agencies. The program will be administered through a partnership between the DoC and non-profit and/or educational institution(s) and funded by cooperative agreement(s). This notice solicits proposals from eligible institutions that desire to collaborate with the DoC on this initiative.

Student opportunities will be primarily in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area, but will include field locations outside the area. Summer internship sessions will be for a ten-week period. Academic semester or quarter internship sessions will be structured to coincide with the academic calendar of the students'

institutions. Institutions that are selected as training partners will develop and administer a comprehensive internship program. The DoC will serve as hosts for the student interns and provide program support through the financial assistance award; however, students may be assigned to work in Federal agencies other than DoC. When interns are assigned to other Federal agencies, those agencies will reimburse DoC for costs associated with the interns. There will be no employer-employee relationship between the DoC and its hosted interns. Interns will receive stipends. Round-trip air or ground transportation between the metropolitan D.C. area (or field job location) and the students' residence or school site will also be provided to interns as needed. The number of available internships will vary depending upon the financial position of the potential host offices and bureaus, but for the purposes of this notice, the following will be used for projections: twenty-five student interns for the summer session, and five students for each academic year session.

Selected institution(s) will perform the following functions: Outreach and recruitment; application processing and referral; selection notification and follow up; logistics, including temporary housing and accommodations; orientation and communication; enrichment activities program; intern personnel and pay administration; intern monitoring; intern evaluation; program evaluation; and evaluation reporting.

DATES: Applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, February 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Applicants must submit one signed original plus two (2) copies of the application, including all information required by the application kit. Applications must be mailed to: U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Executive Assistance Management, Attn.: Carol A. Hayashida, Room H6020, 14th & Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Carol Hayashida, (202) 482-3288.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

5 U.S.C. 7201 requires that each Executive agency conduct a continuing program for the recruitment of members of minorities to address underrepresentation of minorities in various categories of Federal employment. The DoC uses this authority as a recruitment mechanism in order to increase the applicant pool of

candidates for its jobs. However, applications will be accepted from any eligible institution, and applications for internships shall be accepted from all students meeting program eligibility criteria and will not be limited only to minority students. Application, referral and selection processes shall be conducted without any consideration of race, ethnicity, gender, or other personal factors. Executive Order 12876 provides for Executive departments to enter into, among other things, cooperative agreements with Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to further the goals of the Executive Order, principally that of strengthening the capacity of HBCUs to provide quality education, and to increase opportunities to participate in and benefit from Federal programs. Executive Order 12900 calls for Executive departments to develop plans to increase opportunities for Hispanic Americans to participate in and benefit from Federal education programs.

Program Description

A number of potent forces have come together recently to significantly curtail Federal hiring of college students. Downsizing initiatives have influenced the budgets of virtually all agencies and the possibility of reductions in force loom for many. Additionally, and related to downsizing, changes in the manner in which students are included in organizations' employee ceiling counts have drastically reduced the number of work-study opportunities they offer. One approach to ensuring that the Government can maintain some level of visibility and attractiveness to the "best and brightest" college students is to develop partnerships between Federal departments and nonprofit or educational institutions; the DoC has experimented successfully with these types of collaborations over the last several years. The DoC is now prepared to launch a three-year program that will serve to improve opportunities for college students to prepare for their transition to the workplace and foster human resource diversity in DoC. Depending upon the responsiveness of the institutions which submit applications, more than one institution may be selected to participate in this program.

There will be two components to the program: A ten-week summer session and an academic year program that consists of two sessions. The length of each academic year session will be structured to coincide with the academic calendar of the students' institutions, e.g., semester or quarter hour system; applicants who wish to

administer an academic year program must indicate the proposed duration of the academic year sessions. The first session under this program will begin summer 1998. The first academic session will begin in fall 1998, followed by a session in the spring of 1999. This cycle is expected to be repeated until three years after the initial grant is awarded. It is anticipated that intern opportunities will be greater during the summer sessions than the academic year sessions.

In addition to including the mandatory activities described below, an organization should propose an intern program design that represents a comprehensive approach to a work-study experience and its own philosophy about workforce preparedness. For the purposes of the proposal, plans and budgets should be presented separately for the summer and academic year sessions. An organization may wish to collaborate with DoC on a summer program only, on an academic year program only, or on both a summer program and an academic year program; it is not required that both components be included in an application in order to be selected as a recipient.

The recipient(s) selected to administer the intern program must conduct the following activities:

Outreach and recruitment. Design, prepare, duplicate and distribute application materials to students. Collect information about potential internship openings from host offices to assist in identifying student applicants who are the best matches for the offices' needs. Prepare publicity to inform academic institutions and students about upcoming program opportunities and to solicit applications from a broad range of students who meet defined program criteria such as GPA and academic standing. Process applications, including evaluating candidates' eligibility and qualifications, and referring candidates to host Federal officials for consideration and selection. Outreach and publicity must be conducted so that women and minorities that are underrepresented in the DoC are included in the target groups. Participation in the program must be open to all eligible students without regard to race, ethnicity, or gender. In cases of jobs requiring technical skills or for other related reasons, Federal managers, liaisons, or other program officials may elect to participate in the evaluation of applicant packages.

Selection notification and follow up. Receive selection decisions from host offices, convey internship offers to

selectees, explain logistical and administrative processes to selectees. Distribute written information to students that will help them adequately prepare for their professional and personal needs during their internship; material must be sent to students before their departure for their internship sites. Communicate with DoC program representatives or liaisons on the status of offers of selection, acceptances and declinations.

Logistical arrangements. Locate suitable housing for students, make all prior arrangements to allow students to move into housing upon their arrival at the internship site. Make round trip airline reservations for students between home/school city and host office location; arrange for students to receive their tickets. Arrange for ground transportation to pick up arriving students at airport and take to housing site. At the end of the internship period, arrange for transportation between the housing site and the airport. Explain housing, air transportation, ground transportation, and other logistical arrangements to students so that there is a clear expectation of what costs, if any, are involved and what the responsibilities of both the student and the recipient institution/organization are. Housing must be convenient to public transportation and affordable. The DoC must be consulted in the process to select student housing facilities, but the final decision and negotiations with the housing provider will be left wholly to the recipient institution.

Orientation and communication. Design and provide orientation program to familiarize students with local area in which they will live and work, services, safety and security, public transportation systems, and educational and administrative program requirements.

Enrichment activities. Design and implement a comprehensive enrichment program; ideally the program should require a minimum of time away from the work site during duty hours. The activities should focus on students' personal and professional growth, and provide insights into ways to reach their academic and personal goals. They may also be designed to teach students how the different branches of the Federal Government operate, to improve interns' communication skills, or to foster an understanding of cultural or ethnic issues.

Personnel administration. Maintain interns' personnel records; pay stipends; deduct applicable payroll taxes; provide worker compensation insurance, unemployment insurance, and short-

term accident insurance; provide state, Federal and local tax information and report of earnings forms to students.

Intern monitoring. Communicate on a regular basis, both by telephone and in person, with the students, their supervisors, and DoC and bureau coordinators to assure that the experience is progressing as intended and that problems or questions are resolved.

Intern performance evaluation. Selected recipients must develop and design an effective evaluation program that will assess the interns' performance and progress. Ideally all aspects of intern performance and the overall work experience from the perspective of both the intern and his or her supervisor will be included in the assessment. Student performance should be evaluated at the mid-point and at the end of each session. Evaluations will be submitted to the DoC Federal Program manager within one month of the assessment date.

Program Performance. In accordance with OMB Circular A-110, selected recipients must manage and monitor functions and activities supported by the financial award and should have a plan to do so. Performance reports are required at mid-term and at the end of each session. The reports should focus on program accomplishments against the goals and objectives of the program, and include other pertinent information. Of interest would be overall demographic information about program participants such as name of educational institutions and or regional area represented, academic majors represented, academic standing, average GPA. Additionally, lessons learned about the design and implementation of the program and identification of areas requiring improvement are particularly useful.

Funding Availability

Applicants must submit project plans and budgets for three years. Project(s) will be funded for no more than one year at a time. Funding for each subsequent year will be at the sole discretion of the DoC and will depend on satisfactory performance by the recipient and the availability of funds to support the continuation of the project(s). Funds available under this program are expected to be awarded in November of each year. Funds for the first year are expected to be awarded in February 1998. Projections based upon previous experience indicate availability of between \$150,000-\$730,000 to support from 25 up to about 100 interns. However the exact level of funding available is not yet known.

Proposals should be based upon the cost of administering a summer program for 25 student interns and also include a per capita cost for additional students; proposals for a semester or quarter session should be projected on the basis of 5 students.

Matching Requirements

Applications must reflect the total budget necessary to accomplish the project, including contributions and/or donations. Cost-sharing is not required for the internship program; however, cost-sharing is encouraged. The appropriateness of all cost-sharing will be determined on the basis of guidance provided in applicable Federal cost principles. If an applicant chooses to cost-share, and if that application is selected for funding, the applicant will be bound by the percentage of the cost-share reflected in the cooperative agreement award. The non-Federal share may include the value of in-kind contributions by the applicant or third parties or funds received from private sources or from state or local governments. Federal funds may not be used to meet the non-Federal share of matching funds, except as provided by Federal statute. Third party in-kind contributions may be in the form of, but are not limited to, personal services rendered in carrying out functions related to the project and use of real or personal property owned by others (for which consideration is not required) in carrying out the projects. The total cost of a project begins on the effective award date of an authorized cooperative agreement between the applicant and the DoC Grants Officer and ends on the date specified in the award. Accordingly, time expended and costs incurred in either the development of a project or the financial assistance application, or in any subsequent discussions or negotiations prior to the award, are neither reimbursable nor recognizable as part of the recipient's cost share.

Type of Funding Instrument

Financial assistance awards in the form of cooperative agreements will be used to fund this program. The DoC and its participating bureaus will have substantive involvement in the following program activities: provide liaisons to institutions who will assist in coordinating program activities; provide description of available intern assignments and required academic backgrounds and job skills; participate in review and rating panels; and interview and make final selections from lists of eligible students that are provided by the institutions.

Eligibility Criteria

Accredited universities and colleges (2-year and 4-year) and non-profit organizations are eligible to apply. Eligible institutions may form joint ventures to submit a joint application to share costs and administration roles and responsibilities. In such cases, one of the institutions must be designated as the lead organization for purposes of receipt and overall accountability for any financial assistance award received under this program.

Award Period

The award period for the internship project will be three years. Funding will be provided annually at the discretion of the DoC and will depend upon satisfactory performance by the recipient and availability of funds for the DoC to continue funding the project. Normally each project budget period may be no more than 12 months in duration. DoC policy limits the total duration of a project to three years. Project proposals accepted for funding for a project period over 1 year that include multiple project components and severable tasks to be funded during each budget period will not compete for funding in subsequent budget periods within the approved project period. Publication of this notice does not obligate DoC to award any specific cooperative agreement or to obligate all or any parts of the available funds.

Indirect Costs

The total dollar amount of the indirect costs proposed in an application under this program must not exceed the indirect cost rate negotiated and approved by a cognizant Federal agency prior to the proposed effective date of the award or 100 percent of the total proposed direct costs dollar amount in the application, whichever is less.

Application Forms and Kit

An application kit containing all required application forms and certifications is available by calling Lisa Duckett at (202) 482-4115.

Evaluation Criteria

Quality of Program Plan (30%). Includes but is not limited to strategy for outreach and publicity, procedures for collecting and evaluating applications, comprehensiveness of program design, and practicality of approach.

Proposed Costs (30%). The proposed budget must be comprehensive and should include all costs for program personnel, fringe benefits, travel, equipment, supplies, and other associated items. The stipend level

proposed for students should be stated in the budget.

Key Personnel Qualifications (20%). Includes an assessment of the number, qualifications and proposed roles of staff who will administer the internship program. Resumes of proposed personnel will facilitate the evaluation of the competency and experience of the proposed staff.

Capabilities of the Applicant Organization (20%). Considers, among other things, previous experience and success administering similar programs, and staff and resources to assure adequate development, supervision and execution of the proposed program. Additionally, an organization's commitment to educate/advance the education of women, minorities, and people with disabilities will be a consideration in evaluating this factor.

Selection Procedures

Each application will receive an independent, objective review by a panel qualified to evaluate the applications submitted. The Independent Review Panel, consisting of at least three individuals, will review all applications based on the criteria stated above. The Independent Review Panel will evaluate and rank the proposals. The final decision on awards will be based upon the numerical review panel ranking, availability of funding, and the Selecting Official's (DoC Federal Program Officer) determination of which proposals best meet the objectives of the program. The amount of funds awarded to each recipient will be determined in preaward negotiations between the applicant, the Grants Officer, and the DoC Program Officer.

Federal Policies and Procedures

Recipients and subrecipients are subject to all Federal laws and Federal and DoC policies, regulations, and procedures applicable to Federal financial assistance awards.

Past Performance

Unsatisfactory performance under prior Federal awards may result in an application not being considered for funding.

Preaward Activities

If applicants incur any costs prior to an award being made, they do so solely at their own risk of not being reimbursed by the Government. Notwithstanding any verbal or written assurance that may have been received, there is no obligation on the part of DoC to cover preaward costs.

No Obligation for Future Funding

If an application is selected for funding, DoC has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with that award. Renewal of an award to increase funding or extend the period of performance is at the total discretion of DoC.

Delinquent Federal Debts

No award of Federal funds shall be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt until either:

The delinquent account is paid in full, negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received, or Other arrangements satisfactory to DoC are made.

Name Check Review

All nonprofit applicants are subject to a name check review process. Name checks are intended to reveal if any key individuals associated with the applicant have been convicted of or are presently facing criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters which significantly reflect on the applicant's management honesty or financial integrity.

Primary Applicant Certifications

All primary applicants must submit a completed Form CD-511, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying," and the following explanations are hereby provided:

Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension

Prospective participants (as defined at 15 CFR Part 26, Section 105) are subject to 15 CFR Part 26, "Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

Drug-Free Workplace

Recipients (as defined at 15 CFR Part 26, Section 605) are subject to 15 CFR Part 26, Subpart F, "Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

Anti-Lobbying

Persons (as defined at 15 CFR Part 28, Section 105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitation on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above

applies to applications/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000, and loans and loan guarantees for more than \$150,000, or the single family maximum mortgage limit for affected programs, whichever is greater; and

Anti-Lobbying Disclosures

Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," as required under 15 CFR Part 28, Appendix B.

Lower Tier Certifications

Recipients shall require applicants/bidders for subgrants, contracts, subcontracts, or other lower tier covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed Form CD-512, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions and Lobbying" and disclosure form, SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities." Form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipients and should not be transmitted to DoC. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient or subrecipient should be submitted to DoC in accordance with the instructions contained in the award document.

False Statements

A false statement on an application is grounds for denial or termination of funds and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Intergovernmental Review

Applications under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

Purchase of American-Made Equipment and Products

Applicants are hereby notified that they are encouraged, to the extent feasible, to purchase American-made equipment and products with funding provided under this program in accordance with Congressional intent.

Fly America Act

The Fly America Act requires that Federal travelers and others performing U.S. Government-financed foreign air travel must use U.S. flag air carriers, to the extent that service by such carriers is available. Foreign air carriers may be used only when a U.S. flag air carrier is unavailable, or use of U.S. flag air carrier service will not accomplish the agency's mission.

Classification

This document involves collections of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act, which have been approved by OMB under OMB control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, and 0348-0046. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a current valid OMB control number. This document has been determined to be "not significant" for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Sonya G. Stewart,

Director for Executive Budgeting and Assistance Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

1998 American Community Survey—Group Quarters Screening Operation

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before February 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to John Paletta, Bureau of the Census, Room 3715-3, Washington, DC 20230, (301) 457-4269.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The 1998 American Community Survey (ACS) is currently underway. ACS data are being collected under OMB approval number 0607-0810. Data

from the ACS will determine the feasibility of a continuous measurement system that provides socioeconomic data on a continual basis throughout the decade. The Census Bureau must provide a sample of persons residing in Group Quarters (GQs) the opportunity to be interviewed for the ACS. GQs include places such as student dorms, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, shelters, and military quarters. Obtaining information from the GQ will ensure that we include the necessary people residing at the GQ in the 1998 ACS.

A GQ screening operation was conducted in conjunction with 1997 ACS activities. This request revises the existing GQ clearance for use in the 1998 ACS. Major changes include the following. In 1997 we screened a sample of the GQs in only one ACS test site. In 1998 we will screen a sample of the GQs in eight of the ACS test sites. In 1997 we tested three versions of the questionnaire, Form ACS-2 (GQ), 1997 ACS GQ Facility Questionnaire, and allocated them among the sample GQs according to whether the GQ was to be enumerated by personal visit only, a combination of personal visit and mail, or by mail only. In 1998 we will use only one version of the questionnaire, Form ACS-2 (GQ), 1998 ACS GQ Screening.

We will telephone a sample of GQs in the 1998 ACS test sites. We will verify/update information such as GQ name, address, phone number, and type. We will screen to determine if the residents stay for less than 30 days and have another place to live. If so, the GQ will be classified as out-of-scope for ACS interviewing. If the GQ is in-scope, we will screen to determine if we can complete ACS interviews of the GQ residents by mail, thus saving the expense of personal visits. We will obtain a list of rooms and/or residents from which we can select a sample. All ACS interviewing will be conducted under OMB clearance number 0607-0810.

II. Method of Collection

Telephone interviews will be conducted from Census Bureau's processing center in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0836.

Form Number: ACS-2 (GQ).

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals, Businesses or other for-profit organizations, non-profit institutions and small businesses or organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 500 GQs in the 1998 ACS test sites.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes (.167 hours).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 84 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The group quarters screening is part of the 1998 American Community Survey, the cost of which is estimated to be 16.6 million dollars. There is no cost to respondents, other than that of their time.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, U.S. Code, Section 182.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 8, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Survey of Income and Program Participation Wave 8 of the 1996 Panel

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

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