

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Office of Special Education Programs; Reopening Notice To Invite Applications for New Awards To Serve The Deaf-Blind Population in the State of Maryland for Fiscal Year (FY) 1999

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: On March 3, 1999, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 10352) inviting applications for new FY 1999 awards to support projects that help build the capacity of State and local agencies to facilitate the achievement of improved outcomes by children who are deaf-blind, and their families. The FY 1999 awards will support projects that provide specialized technical assistance regarding the provision of early intervention, special education, related, and transitional services to children and young adults who are deaf-blind. Based on the applications received, we expect to fund projects that, as a whole, will provide technical assistance services in each State in the country. However, we did not receive, prior to the application deadline, any applications from applicants proposing to address the needs of children with deaf-blindness in Maryland. Accordingly, the purpose of this notice is to invite applications for projects that will serve the State of Maryland.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: June 11, 1999.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: August 9, 1999.

Applications Available: May 26, 1999.

Note to Applicants: The notice published on March 3, 1999, provides other information that applies to this competition. Specifically, the priority in that notice, entitled Projects for Children and Young Adults Who Are Deaf-Blind (84.326C), identifies the requirements for applications submitted in response to this notice.

In addition, the *Eligible Applicants* section in the March 3, 1999 notice is amended for purposes of this competition by limiting eligible applicants to entities that meet the eligibility criteria in the priority and propose to address the needs of children with deaf-blindness in the State of Maryland. Potential applicants should consult the statement of the final priority published in the **Federal Register** on March 3, 1999 (64 FR 10352) to ascertain the substantive requirements for their applications.

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