

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Office of the Secretary****Submission for OMB Review:
Comment Request**

June 27, 2006.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Ira Mills at the Department of Labor on 202-693-4122 (this is not a toll-free number) or E-Mail: Mills.Ira@dol.gov. This ICR can also be accessed online at <http://www.doleta.gov/OMB/OMBControlNumber.cfm>.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for ETA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202-395-7316 (this is not a toll free number), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration (ETA).

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) ETA Handbook 384.

OMB Number: 1205-0176.

Frequency: On occasion; Other—These forms are used regularly.

Affected Public: Federal Government; Individuals or households; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Type of Response: Recordkeeping; Reporting.

Number of Respondents: 1.

Annual Responses: 5,297.

Average Response time: 1 minute.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 88.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup

Costs: 0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): 37.

Description: Federal law (5 U.S.C. 8501-8509) provides unemployment insurance protection to former or partially unemployed current Federal Civilian employees. The forms in the Handbook are used in conjunction with the provisions of the UCFE program.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration****Notice of Availability of Funds and
Solicitation for Grant Applications
(SGA) for Community-Based Job
Training Grants**

Announcement type: Notice of Solicitation for Grant Applications.

Funding Opportunity Number: SGA/ DFA PY 05-11.

Catalog of Federal Assistance Number: 17.269.

DATES: *Key Dates:* The closing date for receipt of applications under this announcement is August 29, 2006. Applications must be received at the address below no later than 5 p.m. (Eastern Time). Application and submission information is explained in detail in Part IV of this SGA. Virtual Prospective Applicant Conferences will be held for this grant competition. The dates and access information for these Prospective Applicant Conferences will be posted on ETA's Web site at <http://www.doleta.gov/business/Community-BasedJobTrainingGrants.cfm>.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), announces the availability of approximately \$125 million in grant funds for Community-Based Job Training Grants.

Community-Based Job Training Grants will be awarded through a competitive process to support workforce training for high-growth/

high-demand industries through the national system of community and technical colleges. The primary purpose of these grants is to build the capacity of community colleges to train workers to develop the skills required to succeed in local or regional: (i) Industries and occupations that are expected to experience high-growth and (ii) industries where demand for qualified workers is outstripping the supply. Funds will be awarded to individual community and technical colleges, community college districts, state community college systems, and One-Stop Career Centers to support or engage in a combination of capacity building and training activities for the purpose of building the capacity of community colleges to train for careers in high-growth/high-demand industries in the local and/or regional economies. This Solicitation contains an exception for rural areas and other communities that are educationally underserved due to their lack of access to community or technical colleges.

In awarding Community-Based Job Training Grants, every effort will be made to fairly distribute grants across rural and urban areas and across the different geographic regions of the United States. It is anticipated that individual awards will range from \$500,000 to \$2 million.

This solicitation provides background information and describes the application submission requirements, outlines the process that eligible entities must use to apply for funds covered by this solicitation, and details how grantees will be selected.

ADDRESSES: Mailed applications must be addressed to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Division of Federal Assistance, Attention: Eric Luetkenhaus, Reference SGA/DFA PY 05-11, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N-4716, Washington, DC 20210. Telefacsimile (fax) applications will not be accepted. Information about applying online can be found in Section IV(C) of this document. Applicants are advised that mail delivery in the Washington area may be delayed due to mail decontamination procedures. Hand delivered proposals will be received at the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This solicitation consists of eight parts:

- Part I provides background information on the Employment and Training Administration's demand-driven vision and Community-Based Job Training Grants, and a description of the critical elements of Community-Based Job Training Grants.