

## VI. Federal Award Administration Information

A. *Federal Award Notices.* The Agency will award and administer renewable energy system and energy efficiency improvements grants, guaranteed loans in accordance with 7 CFR 4280.122, and 7 CFR 4280.139, as applicable. The Agency will award and administer the energy audit and renewable energy development assistance grants in accordance with 7 CFR 4280.195. Notification requirements of 7 CFR 4280.111, apply to this Notice.

### B. *Administrative and National Policy Requirements.*

(1) *Equal Opportunity and Nondiscrimination.* The Agency will ensure that equal opportunity and nondiscrimination requirements are met in accordance with the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, 15 U.S.C. 1691 *et seq.* and 7 CFR part 15d, Nondiscrimination in Programs and Activities Conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Agency will not discriminate against applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, or age (provided that the applicant has the capacity to contract); because all or part of the applicant's income derives from any public assistance program; or because the applicant has in good faith exercised any right under the Consumer Credit Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*

(2) *Civil Rights Compliance.* Recipients of grants must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d *et seq.*, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794. This may include collection and maintenance of data on the race, sex, and national origin of the recipient's membership/ownership and employees. These data must be available to conduct compliance reviews in accordance with 7 CFR 1901.204.

(3) *Environmental Analysis.* Environmental procedures and requirements for this subpart are specified in 7 CFR part 1970. Prospective applicants are advised to contact the Agency to determine environmental requirements as soon as practicable after they decide to pursue any form of financial assistance directly or indirectly available through the Agency.

(4) *Appeals.* A person may seek a review of an Agency decision or appeal to the National Appeals Division in accordance with 7 CFR 4280.105.

(5) *Reporting.* Grants, guaranteed loans, combination guaranteed loans

and grants, and energy audit and energy audit and renewable energy development assistance grants that are awarded are required to fulfill the reporting requirements as specified in Departmental Regulations, the Grant Agreement, and in 7 CFR part 4280 subpart B and paragraphs VI.B.(5)(a) through (d) of this Notice.

(a) Renewable energy system and energy efficiency improvements grants that are awarded are required to fulfill the reporting requirements as specified in 7 CFR 4280.123.

(b) Guaranteed loan applications that are awarded are required to fulfill the reporting requirements as specified in 7 CFR 4280.143.

(c) Combined guaranteed loan and grant applications that are awarded are required to fulfill the reporting requirements as specified in 7 CFR 4280.165(f).

(d) Energy audit and renewable energy development assistance grants that are awarded are required to fulfill the reporting requirements as specified in 7 CFR 4280.196.

## VII. Federal Awarding Agency Contacts

For further information contact the applicable USDA Rural Development Energy Coordinator for your respective State, as identified via the following link: [http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/RBS\\_StateEnergyCoordinators.pdf](http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/RBS_StateEnergyCoordinators.pdf).

For information about this Notice, please contact Anthony Crooks, Rural Energy Policy Specialist, USDA Rural Development, Energy Division, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Stop 3225, Room 6870, Washington, DC 20250. Telephone: (202) 205-9322. Email: [anthony.crooks@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:anthony.crooks@wdc.usda.gov).

## VIII. Other Information

### A. *Paperwork Reduction Act*

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the information collection requirements associated with renewable energy system and energy efficiency improvements grants and guaranteed loans, as covered in this Notice, have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under OMB Control Number 0570-0067. The information collection requirements associated with energy audit and renewable energy development assistance grants have also been approved by OMB under OMB Control Number 0570-0067.

### B. *Nondiscrimination Statement*

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights

regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html) and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

(1) *Mail:* U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410;

(2) *Fax:* (202) 690-7442; or

(3) *Email:* [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Maryland Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Announcement of briefing meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules

and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a briefing meeting of the Maryland Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 9:00 a.m. (EDT) on Friday, August 24, 2018 in the First Floor Lecture Hall of the Martin D. Jenkins Behavioral & Social Sciences Building, 1700 E. Cold Spring Lane, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD 21251. The purpose of the briefing is to hear from state and county officials, advocates, and others about the discipline, suspension, and expulsion rates for students of color and students with disabilities.

**DATES:** Friday, August 24, 2018 (EDT).  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** First Floor Lecture Hall of the Martin D. Jenkins Behavioral & Social Sciences Building, 1700 E. Cold Spring Lane, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD 21251.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Evelyn Bohor at [ero@usccr.gov](mailto:ero@usccr.gov), or 202-376-7533.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** If other persons who plan to attend the meeting require other accommodations, please contact Evelyn Bohor at [ebohor@usccr.gov](mailto:ebohor@usccr.gov) at the Eastern Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

Time will be set aside at the end of the briefing so that members of the public may address the Committee after the formal presentations have been completed. Persons interested in the issue are also invited to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office by Monday, September 24, 2018. Written comments may be mailed to the Eastern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425, faxed to (202) 376-7548, or emailed to Evelyn Bohor at [ero@usccr.gov](mailto:ero@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may contact the Eastern Regional Office at (202) 376-7533.

Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at <https://facadatabase.gov/committee/meetings.aspx?cid=253> and clicking on the "Meeting Details" and "Documents" links. Records generated from this meeting may also be inspected and reproduced at the Eastern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's website, [www.usccr.gov](http://www.usccr.gov), or to contact the Eastern Regional Office

at the above phone number, email or street address.

### **Tentative Agenda**

*Friday, August 24, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.*

#### **I. Welcome and Introductions**

#### **II. Briefing**

Panel One: State and County

Perspectives

Panel Two: Advocates

Panel Three: Students and Families

Panel Four: Opportunities Going

Forward

#### **III. Open Session**

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Dated: August 9, 2018.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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### **COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS**

#### **Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Colorado Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Announcement of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a planning meeting of the Colorado Advisory Committee to the Commission will be by teleconference at 2:00 p.m. (MDT) on Friday, September 7, 2018. The purpose of the meeting is for project planning and potential vote on project proposal.

**DATES:** Friday, September 7, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. MDT.

*Public Call-In Information:*

Conference call-in number: 1-888-395-3237 and conference call 1659256.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Evelyn Bohor, at [ebohor@usccr.gov](mailto:ebohor@usccr.gov) or by phone at 303-866-1040.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Interested members of the public may listen to the discussion by calling the following toll-free conference call-in number: 1-888-395-3237 and conference call 1659256. Please be advised that before placing them into the conference call, the conference call operator will ask callers to provide their names, their organizational affiliations (if any), and email addresses (so that callers may be notified of future meetings). Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free conference call-in number.

Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the discussion by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the operator with the toll-free conference call-in number: 1-888-395-3237 and conference call 1659256.

Members of the public are invited to make statements during the open comment period of the meeting or submit written comments. The comments must be received in the regional office approximately 30 days after each scheduled meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1961 Stout Street, Suite 13-201, Denver, CO 80294, faxed to (303) 866-1040, or emailed to Evelyn Bohor at [ebohor@usccr.gov](mailto:ebohor@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at (303) 866-1040.

Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/committee/meetings.aspx?cid=238>; click the "Meeting Details" and "Documents" links. Records generated from this meeting may also be inspected and reproduced at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's website, [www.usccr.gov](http://www.usccr.gov), or to contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at the above phone numbers, email or street address.

**Agenda: Friday, September 7, 2018, 2:00 (MDT)**

- Rollcall and Welcome
- Project Planning
- Potential Vote on Project Proposal
- Open Comment
- Adjourn

Dated: August 9, 2018.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### **Census Bureau**

#### **Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Quarterly Survey of Public Pensions**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.