

Certification Quarterly Activity Report," to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995. Public comments on the ICR are invited.

**DATES:** OMB will consider all written comments that the agency receives on or before December 3, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the *RegInfo.gov* website at [http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=201810-1205-002](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201810-1205-002) (this link will only become active on the day following publication of this notice) or by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

Submit comments about this request by mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-ETA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503; by Fax: 202-395-5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov). Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor-OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210; or by email: [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This ICR seeks approval under the PRA for revisions to the Foreign Labor Certification Quarterly Activity Report, information collection. Under the foreign labor certification programs administered by ETA, State Workforce Agencies (SWAs) are funded through annually reimbursable grants. These grants fund certain activities that support the processing of applications for temporary labor certification filed by U.S. employers in order to hire foreign workers in the H-2B or H-2A visa categories to perform nonagricultural or agricultural services or labor. Under the grant agreements, SWAs must review and transmit, through the intrastate and interstate systems, job orders submitted

by employers in order to recruit U.S. workers prior to filling the job openings with foreign workers.

In order to monitor the administration of foreign labor certification activities by the SWAs effectively, the Department requires SWAs to report their workloads related to these activities on a quarterly basis. This collection of information is conducted through Form ETA-9127, *Foreign Labor Certification Quarterly Activity Report*. This report is critical for ensuring accountability and for future program management, including budget and workload management. This information collection has been classified as a revision, because of the proposed (1) elimination of a question referencing union contacts made by the SWAs; (2) elimination of a question located in both the H-2A and H-2B sections that prompts SWAs to list the most common deficiencies on the job order; and (3) modification of the Form ETA-9127 instructions in order to promote clarity as a result of some confusion expressed by SWAs. Immigration and Nationality Act section 218 authorizes this information collection. See 8 U.S.C. 1188.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1205-0457. The DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. New requirements would only take effect upon OMB approval. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on June 21, 2018 (83 FR 28866).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1205-0457. OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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:* DOL-ETA.  
*Title of Collection:* Foreign Labor Certification Quarterly Activity Report.  
*OMB Control Number:* 1205-0457.  
*Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 54.

*Total Estimated Number of Responses:* 216.

*Average Time per Response:* 1 hour 45 minutes.

*Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 378 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$0.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

Dated: October 26, 2018.

**Michel Smyth,**

*Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request, Evaluation of the American Apprenticeship Initiative, New Collection

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Chief Evaluation Office, Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of Information Collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of

information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents is properly assessed. Currently, the Department of Labor is soliciting comments concerning the collection of data about the Evaluation of Strategies Used in America’s Promise Job Driven Grant Program Evaluation. A copy of the proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before December 31, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by either one of the following methods:

*Email:* ChiefEvaluationOffice@dol.gov; *Mail or Courier:* Megan Lizik, Chief Evaluation Office, OASP, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-2312, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210. *Instructions:* Please submit one copy of your comments by only one method. All submissions received must include the agency name and OMB Control Number identified above for this information collection. Comments, including any personal information provided, become a matter of public record. They will also be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection request.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Megan Lizik by email at ChiefEvaluationOffice@dol.gov, or call 202-430-1255.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*I. Background:* The Chief Evaluation Office (CEO) of the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) intends to design and conduct an evaluation to assess the success of the America’s Promise Job Driven Grant Program (America’s Promise). The goal of this project is to build knowledge about the effectiveness and implementation of the program. The evaluation of America’s Promise

includes two components: (1) An impact evaluation to measure the effects of America’s Promise on participant outcomes and (2) an implementation evaluation to understand program implementation and partnership development for all 23 grantees. The implementation evaluation includes more detailed focus on program implementation in 12 grantees and a measurement of partnerships and systems change in six grantees. This request is part of a larger study which has had other components, a grantee survey and partner network survey, submitted for approval in an earlier clearance request. A 60-day notice to solicit public comments on that package was published in the **Federal Register**, 82 FR 32204 on July 12, 2017.

This **Federal Register** Notice provides the opportunity to comment on proposed data collection instruments that will be used in the implementation evaluation: Semi-structured program stakeholder interview protocols, participant focus group protocols, and semi-structured telephone interview protocols

*1. Semi-structured program stakeholder interview protocols.* Site visits to approximately 12 grantees will occur in fall 2019. These visits will last two and a half days each. During these site visits, we will conduct one-on-one or small-group semi-structured interviews with a broad range of stakeholders, including grantee staff, partner staff, employers, training and education providers, and community stakeholders. We will also observe program activities to help us describe key program components, assess the quality of program delivery, and understand participant needs. The observations will not involve additional burden.

*2. Participant focus group protocols.* Also during the site visits, we will conduct one focus group per site with approximately five program participants.

*3. Semi-structured telephone interview protocols.* For approximately 11 sites that do not receive in-person visits, we will conduct about two-hour in-depth telephone interviews with

grantee managers and partners to cover a subset of the information collected in the site visits. The information requested from these phone calls may be tailored to the circumstances of each grantee.

*II. Desired Focus of Comments:* Currently, the Department of Labor is soliciting comments concerning the above data collection for the Evaluation of Strategies Used in the America’s Promise Job Driven Grant Program Evaluation. DOL is particularly interested in comments that do the following:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s burden estimate of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions;
- 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—for example, permitting electronic submissions of responses.

*III. Current Actions:* At this time, the Department of Labor is requesting clearance for the semi-structured program stakeholder interview protocols, participant focus group protocols, and semi-structured telephone interview protocols.

*Type of Review:* New information collection request.

*OMB Control Number:* 1290-0NEW.

*Affected Public:* America’s Promise Job Driven Grant Program Evaluation grantees, partners and participants.

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

**ESTIMATED ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS**

Type of instrument (form/activity)	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden time per response (hours)	Estimated burden hours
Semi-structured program stakeholder interview protocol .....	<sup>1</sup> 40	1	40	1.5	60
Participant focus group protocol .....	<sup>2</sup> 20	1	20	1.5	30

## ESTIMATED ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS—Continued

Type of instrument (form/activity)	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden time per response (hours)	Estimated burden hours
Semi-structured telephone interview protocol .....	<sup>3</sup> 15	1	15	2	30
Total .....	75	.....	75	.....	120

<sup>1</sup> Assumes approximately 10 semi-structured interview participants during each site visit at approximately 12 grantees: 5 program staff members and 5 program partners over the three-year clearance period.

<sup>2</sup> Assumes approximately 5 program participants at each focus group for approximately 12 grantees over the three-year clearance period.

<sup>3</sup> Assumes approximately 4 telephone participants per approximately 11 grantees: 2 program staff members and 2 program partners over the three-year clearance period.

**Molly Irwin,**

Chief Evaluation Officer, U.S. Department of Labor.

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**NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION**

[NARA-2019-005]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** NARA gives public notice that it proposes to request extension of two currently approved information collections. The first information collection is used when former Federal civilian employees and other authorized individuals request information from or copies of documents in Official Personnel Folders or Employee Medical Folders from the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). The second information collection is NA Form 6045, Volunteer Service Application, used by individuals who wish to volunteer at the National Archives Building, the National Archives at College Park, regional records services facilities, and Presidential Libraries. We invite you to comment on these proposed information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** We must receive written comments on or before December 31, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Paperwork Reduction Act Comments (MP), Room 4100; National Archives and Records Administration; 8601 Adelphi Road; College Park, MD 20740-6001, fax them to 301-837-0319, or

email them to [tamee.fechhelm@nara.gov](mailto:tamee.fechhelm@nara.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Contact Tamee Fechhelm by telephone at 301-837-1694 or fax at 301-837-0319 with requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collections and supporting statements.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), NARA invites the public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed information collections. The comments and suggestions should address one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for NARA to properly perform its functions; (b) NARA's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection and its accuracy; (c) ways NARA could enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information it collects; (d) ways NARA could minimize the burden on respondents of collecting the information, including through information technology; and (e) whether the collection affects small businesses. We will summarize any comments you submit and include the summary in our request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this notice, NARA solicits comments concerning the following information collections:

1. **Title:** Forms relating to civilian service records.

**OMB number:** 3095-0037.

**Agency form number:** NA Forms 13022, 13064, 13068.

**Type of review:** Regular.

**Affected public:** Former Federal civilian employees, their authorized representatives, state and local governments, and businesses.

**Estimated number of respondents:** 32,060.

**Estimated time per response:** 5 minutes.

**Frequency of response:** On occasion, when individuals desire to acquire information from Federal civilian employee personnel or medical records.

**Estimated total annual burden hours:** 2,671 hours.

**Abstract:** In accordance with rules issued by the Office of Personnel Management, the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) administers Official Personnel Folders (OPF) and Employee Medical Folders (EMF) of former Federal civilian employees. When former Federal civilian employees and other authorized individuals request information from or copies of documents in OPF or EMF, they must provide in forms or in letters certain information about the employee and the nature of the request. The NA Form 13022, Returned Request Form, is used to request additional information about the former Federal employee. The NA Form 13064, Reply to Request Involving Relief Agencies, is used to request additional information about the former relief agency employee. The NA Form 13068, Walk-In Request for OPM Records or Information, is used by members of the public, with proper authorization, to request a copy of a Personnel or Medical record.

2. **Title:** Volunteer service application.

**OMB number:** 3095-0060.

**Agency form number:** NA Forms 6045, 6045a, 6045b, and 6045c.

**Type of review:** Regular.

**Affected public:** Individuals or households.

**Estimated number of respondents:** 500.

**Estimated time per response:** 25 minutes.

**Frequency of response:** On occasion.

**Estimated total annual burden hours:** 208 hours.

**Abstract:** NARA uses volunteer resources to enhance its services to the public and to further its mission of providing ready access to essential evidence. Volunteers assist in outreach and public programs and provide