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General Wage Determination Publication

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and Related

Acts, including those noted above, may be found in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts". This publication is available at each of the 50 Regional Government Depository Libraries and many of the 1,400 Government Depository Libraries across the country.

The General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts are available electronically by subscription to the FedWorld Bulletin Board System of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) of the U.S. Department of Commerce at (703) 487-4630.

Hard-copy subscriptions may be purchased from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, (202) 512-1800.

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Signed at Washington, D.C., this 8th day of March, 1996.

Philip J. Gloss,

Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans Employment and Training

Homeless Veterans Employment and Training Program; Notice of Availability of Funds

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training, DOL.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds (NOAF).

SUMMARY: This Notice announces the availability of \$1.3 million for applications for assistance in providing employment, training, supportive and transitional housing services for eligible homeless veterans. This notice sets forth the procedures for obtaining an application for funds for the operation of a Homeless Veterans Employment and Training Program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and administered

by HUD, Office of Committee Planning and Development and the Department of Labor (DOL), Office of Veterans' Employment and Training through grants with State and local public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Funds will be awarded competitively.

CLOSING DATE: The closing date for receipt of a completed application package in response to this notice is April 15, 1996.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the application package and instructions for completion may be obtained by written request directed to: U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Procurement Services, Rm. N5416, 200 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington D.C. 20210, Attention: Grants Specialist Lisa Harvey, Telephone (202) 219-9355, or U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, Rm. 7266, 451 7th Street, S.W., Washington D.C. 20410, Attention Paul B. Dornan, Telephone (202) 708-1226, Reference SGA 96-03.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Substantive Description

(a) Authority

Funds available for this program are authorized by Title IV, Subtitle C, Supportive Housing Program, of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, (Pub. L. 100-77). Funds made available under this NOAF are subject to the statutory requirements for the use of these funds as specified above and in accordance with the provisions of the Job Training Partnership Act (Pub. L. 97-300) Title IV, Part C, Veterans Employment Programs, (29 U.S.C. 1721).

(b) Purpose

The purpose of this NOAF is to fund projects and activities that enhance the employability of homeless veterans. Successful grantees will provide supportive services to this target group, with the focus on employment and training service, to enable these veterans to obtain jobs leading to economic self-sufficiency. Emphasis is also upon placing such veterans into transitional and permanent housing through coordination of community resources.

Under the "continuum of care" approach fostered by HUD and other Federal agencies, achievement of independent living is a major goal in serving persons who are homeless. This is linked to the fostering of employment opportunities in the community as well as the enhancement of the individual participants' skills. Services proposed by the applicant should result to the extent possible in homeless veterans

becoming successful wage earners and taxpayers. Specific activities proposed to achieve these goals and outcomes will be addressed in the narrative portion of the application.

(c) Funding Availability

Approximately \$1.3 million is available under this NOAF. The funding source is the Supportive Housing Program authorized under Title IV, Subtitle c, of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act. Project Funding will range from \$50,000 to \$100,000 per grant. Between 20 and 25 projects will be funded. Projects are targeted to begin on May 15, 1996, for a period of nine to twelve months.

(d) Eligible Applicants

Entities which are eligible to submit applications for funding to provide services to homeless veterans are (1) State and local public agencies which have demonstrated effectiveness in serving homeless veterans providing employment and training services and (2) nonprofit organizations who have demonstrated effectiveness in operating programs/projects serving homeless veterans by providing employment and training related services.

"Local public agency" refers to any public agency of a general purpose in a political subdivision of a State which has the power to levy taxes, spend funds, and has general corporate and police powers. This typically refers to cities and counties.

All eligible applicants must demonstrate prior experience in successfully operating an employment and training program for homeless veterans; have proven capacity to manage Federal grants; and will provide the necessary linkages for services.

II. Application Requirements

The application instructions will include a more detailed program description, program guidelines, and approach to implementation. The application package will consist of a standard application for federal assistance form (SF 424), a narrative description of proposed activities and current services, a detailed budget, and required certification.

III. Applicant Selection Process

Criteria for identifying the most promising and effective proposals will be applied, and it is anticipated that between 20 and 25 applicants will be identified as potential grantees. Selection criteria will be based on the following core items: Need for the project—15 points; Quality of the project and employment and training

goals—25 points; Capacity and experience in carrying out similar past projects—25 points, Community coordination and linkages, especially as they relate to HUD's "continuum of care" concept—20 points; and Cost effectiveness to include leveraging of other community resources—15 points. The application package provides more specific detail on the rating criteria. HUD and DOL staff will coordinate in the identification and selection of grantees to provide services to homeless veterans.

IV. HUD Reform Act Requirements

Technical Deficiencies

To the extent permitted by law, HUD and DOL may advise applicants of technical deficiencies in the applications and permit them to be corrected. Due to the requirements of the HUD Reform Act and DOL procurement policy Federal staff are limited in the assistance they are permitted to provide regarding applications for grants. The assistance and advice that can be provided includes such activities as explaining and responding to questions about program regulation, identification of those parts of an application that need substantive improvement, the dates by which decisions will be made and procedures that are required to be performed to process and application. This does not include advising the applicant how to make improvements.

In addition, any information published in the Federal Register and in this NOAF, and any information made public through a means other than the Federal Register, may be discussed.

Prohibition Against Advance Disclosure of Funding Decisions

The HUD Reform Act also restrains HUD employees involved in the review of applications from providing advance information to any person (other than an authorized employee of HUD) concerning funding decisions, or from otherwise giving any applicant an unfair competitive advantage.

Accountability in the Provision of HUD Assistance: Documentation and Public Access Requirements

The HUD Reform Act contains a number of provisions that are designed to ensure greater accountability and integrity in the provision of certain types of assistance. The requirements of section 102 of the ACT apply to assistance awarded under this NOFA.

(I) Documentation and Public Access Requirements: documentation and other information regarding each application

submitted pursuant to the NOAF will be sufficient to indicate the basis upon which assistance was provided or denied. This material, including any letters of support, will be made available for public inspection for a five year period beginning not less than 30 days after the award of the assistance. Material will be made available in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 522).

(II) Disclosures: HUD will make available to the public for five years all applicant disclosure reports (HUD Form 2880) submitted in connection with this NOAF. Update reports (also form 2880) will be made available along with the applicant disclosure reports, but in case for a period of less than three years

The U.S. Department of Labor Grant Officer will insure the integrity of this competition and will ensure awards are made in accordance with appropriate U.S. Department of Labor and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations and the criteria specified above.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 7th day of March, 1996.

Lawrence J. Kuss,

Grant Officer, Office of Procurement Services.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Biological Sciences; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces the following meeting.

Name: Special Emphasis panel in biological Sciences (#1754).

Date and time: April 1-3, 1996; 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, Room 310, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact person: Fred Stollnitz, Program Officer for Cross-directorate Activities in the Division of Integrative Biology and Neuroscience, Room 685, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1413.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason For Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information