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Dated: May 14, 2002.

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*Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### **Federal Student Aid**

**Type of Review:** Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

**Title:** William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program Deferment Request Forms (JS).

**Frequency:** On Occasion.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or household (primary).

**Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:**

**Responses:** 1.

**Burden Hours:** 143030.

**Abstract:** These forms serve as the means by which the U.S. Department of Education collects the information needed to determine whether a Direct Loan borrower qualifies for a loan deferment.

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Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address [vivan.reese@ed.gov](mailto:vivan.reese@ed.gov). Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [OCIO\\_RIMG@ed.gov](mailto:OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joe Schubart at his Internet address [joe.schubart@ed.gov](mailto:joe.schubart@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[CFDA No.: 84.214A]

### **Migrant Education Even Start Program**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2002.

**Note to Applicants:** This notice is a complete application package. Together with the statute authorizing the program and the Education Department General Administrative Regulations, the notice contains all of the information, application forms, and instructions needed to apply for a grant under this competition.

**Purpose of Program:** The Migrant Education Even Start (MEES) program is designed to help break the cycle of poverty and improve the literacy of participating migratory families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education (including English language training, as appropriate), and parenting education into a unified family literacy program.

**Eligible Applicants:** While any entity is eligible to apply for a grant under the MEES program, the Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education specifically invites applications from State educational agencies (SEAs) that administer migrant education programs; local educational agencies (LEAs) that have a high percentage of migratory students; non-profit community-based organizations that work with migratory families; and faith-based organizations, provided that they meet all statutory and regulatory requirements.

The Assistant Secretary also invites applications from novice applicants. "Novice applicant" means any applicant for a grant from the U.S. Department of Education (the

Department) that has never received a grant or subgrant under the MEES program; has never been a participant in a group application, submitted in accordance with sections 75.127-75.129 of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR), that received a grant under the program from which it sought funding; and has not had an active discretionary grant from the Federal Government in five years before the deadline date for applications under the MEES program. (34 CFR 75.225.)

The Assistant Secretary has determined that special consideration of novice applications is appropriate and will give competitive preference of 5 points to eligible novice applicants under the procedures in 34 CFR 75.105 (c)(2). In addition, before making a grant to a novice applicant, the Assistant Secretary imposes special conditions, if necessary, to ensure that the grant is managed effectively and project objectives are achieved.

(Authority 20 U.S.C. 1221e-3 and 3474.)

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** July 5, 2002.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** September 3, 2002.

**Available Funds:** For FY 2002, approximately \$7,000,000 is available for this program.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$75,000-\$300,000.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$250,000.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 20-25.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** 48 months.

**Applicable Regulations:**

(a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, and 99. (b) The definitions of a migratory child, a migratory agricultural worker and a migratory fisher contained in 34 CFR 200.40.

**Waiver of Proposed Rulemaking:** In the "Program Description" and "Required Program Elements" sections of this notice, the Assistant Secretary has interpreted provisions in ESEA sections 1231 and 1235 to require an emphasis on reading proficiency as the basis for academic success in program that underscores programs such as Reading First and Early Reading First.

It is the Assistant Secretary's practice, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553), to offer interested parties the opportunity to comment on proposed rules and competitive preferences. Section 437(d)(1) of the General Education

Provisions Act (GEPA), however, allows the Assistant Secretary to exempt from rulemaking requirements rules governing the first grant competition under a new or substantially revised program authority (20 U.S.C. 1232(d)(1)). The Assistant Secretary, in accordance with section 437(d)(1) of GEPA, has decided to forego public comment in order to ensure timely grant awards.

**Description of Program:** Under the authority of section 1232(a)(1)(A) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, the Assistant Secretary awards grants to eligible applicants under the MEES program for projects that—

(1) Improve the educational opportunities of migratory families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education (including English language training, as appropriate), and parenting education into a unified program of family literacy services.

**(Note:** Each project must use the grant funds to provide intensive family literacy services that involve parents and children, from birth through age seven, in a cooperative effort to help parents become full partners in the education of their children and to help children in reaching their full potential as learners. See ESEA section 1234(a).)

As defined in ESEA section 9101(20) “Family literacy services” means services provided to participants on a voluntary basis that are of sufficient intensity in terms of hours, and of sufficient duration, to make sustainable changes in a family, and that integrate all of the following activities:

(A) Interactive literacy activities between parents and their children.

(B) Opportunities for parents, the first teachers, to improve the academic achievement of their children.

(C) Adult literacy training that advances parents reading achievement and academic success.

(D) An early childhood education that improves reading readiness and prepares children for success in school.

(2) Are implemented through cooperative projects that build on high-quality existing community resources to create a new range of services.

(3) Promote the academic achievement of children and adults.

(4) Assist children and adults from low-income families to achieve to challenging State content standards and challenging State student academic achievement standards; and

(5) Use instructional programs based on scientifically based reading research and the prevention of reading difficulties for children and adults.

#### *Program Requirements:*

**Eligible participants.** Eligible MEES participants consist of migratory children and their parents as defined in 34 CFR 200.30 and 200.40 who also meet the following conditions specified in ESEA, section 1236(a):

(1) The parent or parents—

(i) Are eligible for participation in an adult basic or adult secondary education program under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act; or

(ii) Are younger than the State’s compulsory school attendance age, as long as a local educational agency provides (or ensures the availability of) the basic education component MEES requires, or who are attending secondary school; and

(2) The child or children of the parent described in paragraph (c) must be younger than eight years of age.

**(Note:** Family members of eligible participants described in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) may also participate in MEES activities. These participants may include siblings, grandparents, and other family members so long as one or more eligible children and their parents or guardian participate in the core services. In addition, section 1236(b) of the ESEA, as amended, permits families to remain eligible for MEES services until all family members become ineligible to participate. For example, in the case of a family in which the parent or parents lose eligibility because of their educational advancement, the parent or parents can still participate in MEES activities until all children in the family reach age eight. When all children in the family have reached age eight, the family continues to be eligible for Even Start services for two more years (until the youngest participating child turns ten) or until the parents are no longer eligible for adult basic education under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, whichever occurs first. In addition, the Department interprets 34 CFR 200.30 together with ESEA section 1236(b)(3), to mean that MEES services may continue to be provided to a parent or child who is no longer migratory, provided that the family has at least one parent or child who is a migratory worker or migratory child as these terms are defined under 34 CFR 200.40.)

**Required program elements.** Any MEES project must, at a minimum, incorporate the following program elements specified in ESEA section 1235:

1. Identification and recruitment of migratory families most in need of MEES services, as indicated by a low level of income, a low level of adult literacy or English language proficiency of the eligible parent or parents, and other need-related indicators.

**(Note:** MEES program services may be provided in communities where migratory families have resided for extended periods of

time. 34 CFR 200.30 and 200.40 permit children to be eligible for MEES services for up to three years after the children make a move that makes them eligible for the Migrant Education Program (MEP). However, in developing and using their need-related indicators to identify and recruit those families most in need of MEES program services, the Assistant Secretary believes that the most effective MEES projects are likely to focus on families that are highly mobile or who have only recently moved to the communities that projects propose to serve. In this regard, the MEP statute (section 1304(d) of the ESEA) requires that migratory students whose education has been interrupted and who are at most risk of failing be given a priority for the services that the program offers. While this MEP priority is not an explicit requirement of the MEES program, we assume, given the purpose of the MEES program, that those families receiving a priority under the MEP also have the greatest need for MEES services.)

2. Screening and preparation of children and parents, including teenage parents, to enable them to participate fully in program activities and services, including testing, referral to necessary counseling, and other developmental and support services.

3. High-quality, intensive instructional programs that teach reading skills and informs parents how to support the educational growth of their children; developmentally appropriate early childhood educational services; and preparation of children for success in the regular school programs.

4. Accommodation of participants’ work schedules and other responsibilities, including the provision of support services necessary for participation in the activities, when such services are unavailable from other sources, such as—

(A) Scheduling and locating services to allow joint participation by parents and children;

(B) Child care for the period that parents are participating in the program provided under this part; and

(C) Transportation to enable parents and their children to participate in the MEES program;

5. Qualifications of project staff whose salaries are paid partially or totally with MEES or other federal Even Start funds. Projects must meet the following requirements:

(A) A majority of the staff providing academic instruction (1) must have obtained an associate’s, bachelor’s, or graduate degree in a field related to early childhood education, elementary or secondary school education, or adult education, and, (2) if applicable, must meet State qualifications for early childhood, elementary, or secondary school education, or adult education provided as part of an Even Start

program or another family literacy program.

(i) By December 21, 2004, the individual responsible for MEES local project administration must have received training in the operation of a family literacy program; and

(ii) By December 21, 2004, paraprofessionals who provide support for academic instruction must have a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent.

6. Special training of staff, including childcare staff, to develop the skills necessary to work with parents and young children in the full range of instructional services that MEES offers.

7. Provision and monitoring of integrated instructional services to participating parents and children through home-based activities.

8. Operation on a year-round basis, including the provision of instructional and enrichment services, during the summer.

**Note:** For MEES projects, the Assistant Secretary interprets the requirement for year-round services to mean that project activities must be conducted throughout the period in which participating migratory families reside in the project area, and that alternative activities or services are offered when participating families work and reside outside the project area.

9. Recruitment and retention that encourages participating families to attend regularly and remain in the program for a period of time sufficient to meet their program goals.

10. Promotion of the continuity of family literacy, if applicable, to ensure that individuals retain and improve their educational outcomes.

11. Appropriate coordination with other ESEA programs, any relevant programs under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Title I of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Head Start, volunteer literacy programs, and other relevant programs.

**Note:** In addition, to promoting strong community collaboration, ESEA sections 1232(e) and 1237(a) require applicants for grants under the SEA-administered Even Start Family Literacy program administered by SEAs to be partnerships composed of: (1) A local educational agency (LEA), and (2) a non-profit community-based organization, a public agency other than an LEA, an institution of higher education, or a public or private nonprofit organization of demonstrated quality other than an LEA. While these provisions are not requirements of the MEES program, the Assistant Secretary believes that the most effective MEES projects are also likely to contain strong, on-going collaborative relationships among these kinds of local entities.

12. Use of instructional programs based on scientifically based reading research (as defined in ESEA section 1208) for children and adults.

13. Include preschool reading skills for preschool children that are based on scientifically based reading research, to ensure that children enter school ready to learn to read.

14. Provide for an independent evaluation of the program to be used for program improvement.

**Note:** The Assistant Secretary encourages projects to use evaluators for MEES projects who understand the family literacy model, who are able to work with the project as a partner in designing the evaluation, and who will help the project use its on-going evaluation results in a way that ensures continuous program improvement.

**Federal and local funding.** A MEES project's funding is composed of both a Federal portion of funds (Federal share) and a portion contributed by the eligible applicant (local share). ESEA section 1234 states that the Federal share of the program may not exceed—

- 90 percent of the total cost of the project in the first year of the applicant's first project period;
- 80 percent in the second year;
- 70 percent in the third year;
- 60 percent in the fourth year;
- 50 percent in the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth years; and
- 35 percent in any following year.

**Note:** Applicants who are applying for continuations of MEES projects for the fifth year and beyond must meet the 50 per cent match in their fifth through eighth years and the 65 per cent local match in their ninth year and beyond.

The local share of the MEES project may be provided in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, and may be obtained from any source, including other ESEA programs. Indirect costs are not an allowable cost either for the Federal share or the matching portion of a MEES project.

#### *Invitational Priority*

The Assistant Secretary is especially interested in receiving applications that include a plan demonstrating that grant activities will focus on one or more approaches described in this section. However, an application that meets one of more of these invitational priorities does not receive competitive or absolute preference over other applications (34 CFR 75.105(c)(1)).

Coordination across SEAs and LEAs is at the heart of migrant education's purpose: preventing or mitigating disruptions in the education of qualifying migratory students. Seasonal MEES projects may not be of sufficient

duration to effect long-term gains for parents or students.

Therefore, to promote opportunities for continuous learning by migratory families, the Assistant Secretary is particularly interested in receiving applications that propose to do one or more of the following:

- Create Federal, State, and local partnerships that improve reading proficiency and advance English language acquisition so that migratory children enter elementary school with strong early reading skills.
- Plan long-range, intensive family literacy services that engage migrant families wherever they move outside the project area in order to eliminate disruptions in the education of participating families.
- Build networks with agricultural employers that will supplement resources available to develop English proficiency for migratory agricultural families with limited English or native-language literacy.

#### *Selection Criteria*

The Assistant Secretary uses the following selection criteria to evaluate applications for grants under this competition.

(1) The maximum score for all of these criteria is 100 points. However, novice applicants will be awarded an additional 5 points, which could result in a maximum score of 105 points.

(2) The maximum score for each criterion is indicated in parentheses.

(a) *Meeting the purposes of the authorizing statute.* (5 points)

The Assistant Secretary reviews each application to determine how well the project will—

(1) Improve the educational opportunities of migratory families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education (including English language training, as appropriate), and parenting education into a unified family literacy program.

(2) Be implemented through cooperative projects that build on existing community resources to create a new range of services to migratory families.

(3) Promote the achievement of family literacy goals (particularly the goals that address school readiness, student achievement, adult literacy, and parent involvement and participation in their child's early education) through research-based reading and English-language acquisition practices that meet the diverse needs of the migrant community of learners.

(4) Assist children and adults from migratory families to achieve challenging State content standards and

challenging State student academic achievement standards.

(b) *Need for project.* (15 points) The Assistant Secretary considers the need for the proposed project. In determining the need for the proposed project, the Assistant Secretary considers the following factors:

(1) The magnitude of the need for the services to be provided or the activities to be carried out by the proposed project.

(2) The extent to which the proposed project will focus on serving or otherwise addressing the needs of disadvantaged individuals (i.e., eligible migratory agricultural or fishing families).

(3) The extent to which specific gaps or weaknesses in services, infrastructure, or opportunities have been identified and will be addressed by the proposed project, including the nature and magnitude of those gaps or weaknesses.

**Note:** Applicants are free to address criterion (b) in any way that they wish. However, given the purpose of the MEES program, the Assistant Secretary believes that high-quality applications will likely include a discussion of the following key elements:

(i) Whether the project would be located in an area or areas with high percentages or large numbers of migratory children and their parents, guardians, or primary caretakers in need of MEES services.

(ii) How the project will address the lack of existing comprehensive family literacy services for the migrant population.

(iii) How community resources will be used to benefit project participants both during the participants' period of eligibility for migrant education services and in the event that participating families lose their eligibility for MEES services during the project period.

(iv) How the project will integrate age-appropriate early childhood education, adult literacy, parenting education activities, and interactive parent/child literacy activities.

(v) How the project will assist migratory children and adults to achieve the State content standards and student academic achievement standards.

Some migratory families may settle in a community during their enrollment, and thereafter, cease to be eligible. The Assistant Secretary believes that high-quality applications will likely include a plan for ensuring that these families have ongoing access to family literacy services when their enrollment can no longer be supported with basic MEP or MEES program funds. In this regard, an applicant might, for example, describe how the project will fill any gaps in services, or how it will connect families with existing resources or services if they settle in the community.

(c) *Quality of the project design.* (20 points) The Assistant Secretary considers the quality of the design of the proposed project. In determining the

quality of the design of the proposed project, the Assistant Secretary considers the following factors:

(1) The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs.

(2) The extent to which the project is designed to build capacity and yield results that will extend beyond the period of Federal financial assistance.

(3) The extent to which the proposed project will establish linkages with other appropriate agencies and organizations providing services to the target population.

(Note: Applicants are free to address criterion (c) in any way that they wish. However, the Assistant Secretary believes that, in designing their project, high-quality applications likely will address each of the required program elements in ESEA section 1235, and listed in the Program Requirements section of this notice. In this regard, the Assistant Secretary believes that a high-quality application likely would explain how its proposed design addresses each one of those requirements in order to meet the needs of the migratory families whom the project will serve.

For example, given the mobility of these families, the Assistant Secretary believes that high-quality applications will likely include strategies for maintaining family education services to migratory families after they have moved from the local community.

In addressing requirement number 8, that projects conduct family literacy services year-round, the Assistant Secretary acknowledges that migratory families may reside in communities for varying lengths of time. Therefore, the Assistant Secretary interprets that requirement to mean that grantees must provide project activities not only during the period in which participating migratory families reside in the project area but also at times when families travel or work outside the local community. The Assistant Secretary strongly encourages applicants to explore ways to maintain contact and continue to monitor the progress of highly mobile families whether or not they are resident in the applicant's community.

Examples of strategies that address this requirement for year-round operations and ongoing family participation include distance learning; capacity building and partnership efforts with sending and receiving States and school districts; self-paced learning packages; and other materials, technologies, and activities that make year-round literacy services viable and family-friendly for migrant workers.)

(d) *Quality of project services.* (15 points) The Assistant Secretary considers the quality of the services to be provided by the proposed project. In determining the quality of the services to be provided by the proposed project, the Assistant Secretary considers the quality and sufficiency of strategies for ensuring equal access and treatment for eligible project participants who are members of groups that have traditionally been underrepresented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability. In addition, the Assistant Secretary considers the following factors:

(1) The extent to which the services to be provided by the proposed project reflect up-to-date knowledge from scientifically based research and effective practice.

(2) The extent to which the training or professional development services to be provided by the proposed project are of sufficient quality, intensity, and duration to lead to improvements in practice among the recipients of those services.

(3) The likelihood that the services to be provided by the proposed project will lead to improvements in the achievement of students as measured against rigorous academic standards.

(e) *Quality of Project Personnel.* (10 points) The Assistant Secretary considers the quality of the personnel who will carry out the proposed project. In determining the quality of project personnel, the Assistant Secretary considers the extent to which the applicant encourages applications for employment from persons who are members of groups that have traditionally been underrepresented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability. In addition, the Assistant Secretary considers the qualifications, including relevant training and experience of key project personnel.

(Note: Applicants may answer criterion (e) in any way that seems reasonable. The Assistant Secretary believes that high quality applications will, at a minimum, address how projects will meet staffing, certification, training, and professional development requirements under ESEA section 1235(b)(5), and described in the PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS section of this notice.)

(f) *Adequacy of resources.* (15 points) The Assistant Secretary considers the adequacy of resources for the proposed project. In determining the adequacy of resources for the proposed project, the Assistant Secretary considers the following factors:

(1) The relevance and demonstrated commitment of each partner in the

proposed project to the implementation and success of the project.

(2) The extent to which the costs are reasonable in relation to the objectives, design, and potential significance of the proposed project.

(3) The potential for continued support of the project after Federal funding ends, including, as appropriate, the demonstrated commitment of appropriate entities to such support.

(4) The extent to which costs are reasonable in relation to the number of persons to be served and the anticipated results and benefits.

(g) *Quality of the project evaluation.* (20 points) The Assistant Secretary considers the quality of the evaluation to be conducted of the proposed project.

In determining the quality of the evaluation, the Assistant Secretary considers the following factors:

(1) The extent to which the methods of evaluation provide for examining the effectiveness of project implementation strategies.

(2) The extent to which the methods of evaluation will provide performance feedback and permit periodic assessment of progress toward achieving intended outcomes.

(3) The extent to which the methods of evaluation are thorough, feasible, and appropriate to the goals, objectives, and outcomes of the proposed project.

(4) The extent to which methods of evaluation include the use of objective performance measures that are clearly related to the intended outcomes of the project and will produce quantitative and qualitative data to the extent possible.

(5) The extent to which the evaluation will provide guidance about effective strategies suitable for replication or testing in other settings.

**Note:** Applicants are free to address criterion (g) in any way they wish. However, ESEA section 1235(10), requires applicants to conduct an independent evaluation of their project. In addition, they must participate in the national Even Start data collection effort. Given these two requirements, the Assistant Secretary believes that high-quality applications are likely to address this criterion by explaining how the project will conduct an ongoing, independent, local evaluation to ensure that the quality of the proposed family literacy services is validated and improved over the course of the four-year project period.

In addition, the Assistant Secretary believes that high-quality applicants would likely bear in mind the following information in considering how they intend to report the effectiveness of their project. Funded projects are required to complete an annual performance report on their progress in meeting the approved objectives of their grant to ensure continued funding. These reports and other evaluation information

provide local projects, the Department, and the Congress with objective data about the activities and services provided by the project, the participants served, the retention rates of those participants, and the success of the families in the project.

The Department has also developed a set of performance indicators for the Even Start Family Literacy Program in accordance with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) that relate to participant outcomes and project management. The Department uses these indicators in reporting to the Congress on the overall effectiveness of the program. The Assistant Secretary will provide Migrant Education Even Start grantees with these indicators and technical assistance for responding to them.

The following items are not part of the program's selection criteria, but provide additional information for applicants.

#### National Evaluation

The Department is conducting a national evaluation of Even Start Family Literacy projects. MEES program grantees must cooperate with the Department's efforts by adopting an evaluation plan that is consistent with the national evaluation (as well as with the grantee's responsibilities under ESEA section 1235(10) and 34 CFR 74.51, 75.118, 75.253, and 80.40).

The Assistant Secretary suggests that projects designate appropriate funds for conducting their independent local evaluation, as well as resources to coordinate submissions of their local evaluation with annual performance reports. The Assistant Secretary also recommends that applicants budget for the cost of travel to Washington, DC and four nights' lodging for the project director, instructional services coordinator, and project evaluator, for their participation in annual technical assistance/evaluation meetings. The budget should also include a staff travel plan for training and professional development in the family literacy construct.

*Information by project and budget periods.* Under 34 CFR 75.112 and 75.117, an eligible applicant must propose a project period, and provide budgetary information for each budget period of that proposed project period. The Assistant Secretary requires that the budgetary information include an amount for all key project components with an accompanying breakdown of any subcomponents, along with a written justification for all requested amounts. (A form for reporting this information is contained in the appendix of this notice.)

Section 75.112(b) also requires that an applicant describe how and when, in each budget period of the project, it

plans to meet each objective of the project.

**Note:** The Department will use this information, in conjunction with the grantee's annual performance report required under 34 CFR 75.118(a), to determine whether a continuation award for the subsequent budget year should be made. Under 34 CFR 75.253, a grantee can receive a continuation award only if it demonstrates that it either has made substantial progress toward meeting the objectives of the approved project, or has received the Assistant Assistant Secretary's approval of changes in the project to enable it to meet the objectives in the succeeding budget periods.

As indicated in the Note to the selection criterion (g) (Quality of project evaluation), each project must conduct an independent local evaluation. In budgeting for the cost of this independent local evaluation, you may wish to contact potential local evaluators, such as researchers or teachers at local community colleges or universities, to ascertain a typical hourly rate.

#### Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs

This program is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 12372 (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79.

One of the objectives of the Executive Order is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and a strengthened federalism. The Executive Order relies on processes developed by State and local governments for coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance.

If you are an applicant, you must contact the appropriate State Single Point of Contact (SPOC) to find out about, and to comply with, the State's process under Executive Order 12372. If you propose to perform activities in more than one State, you should immediately contact the SPOC for each of those States and follow the procedure established in each State under the Executive order. You may view the latest official SPOC list on the Web site of the Office of Management and Budget at the following address: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants>

In States that have not established a process or chosen a program for review, State, area-wide, regional, and local entities may submit comments directly to the Department.

Any State Process Recommendation and other comments submitted by a SPOC and any comments from State, areawide, regional, and local entities must be mailed or hand-delivered by the date indicated in this notice to the

following address: The Assistant Secretary, E.O. 12372—CFDA# 84.214A, U.S. Department of Education, Room 7E200, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202-0125.

We will determine proof of mailing 34 CFR 75.102 (Deadline date for applications). Recommendations or comments may be hand-delivered until 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on the date indicated in this notice.

Please note that the above address is not the same address as the one to which the applicant submits its completed application. Do not send applications to the above address.

#### *Application Instructions and Forms*

The appendix to this application is divided into three parts plus a statement regarding estimated public reporting burden and various assurances and certifications. These parts and additional materials are organized in the same manner that the submitted application should be organized. The parts and additional materials are as follows:

*Part I:* Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424) and instructions. Novice applicants identify themselves in item number six (6) on the form.

*Part II:* Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED Form No. 524) and instructions.

*Part III:* Application Narrative.

#### *Additional Materials:*

Estimated Public Reporting Burden. Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (Standard Form 424B).

Certifications regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80-0013, 12/98).

Certification regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion: Lower Tier Covered Transactions (ED 80-0014, 9/90) and instructions.

**Note:** ED 80-0014 is intended for the use of grantees and should not be transmitted to the Department.

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Standard Form LLL) (if applicable) and instructions; and Disclosure of Lobbying Activities Continuation Sheet (Standard Form LLL-A).

You may submit information on a photocopy of the application and budget forms, the assurances, and the certifications. However, the application form, the assurances, and the certifications must each have an original signature. No grant may be awarded unless a completed application form has been received.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

**CONTACT.** However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternative format the standard forms included in the application package.

*For Further Information Contact:* DonnaMarie Marlow, U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of Migrant Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 3E313, Washington, DC 20202-6135. Telephone: (202) 260-1164. The program contact may also be reached via e-mail at [donnamarie.marlow@ed.gov](mailto:donnamarie.marlow@ed.gov). If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

#### *Instructions for Transmittal of Applications*

An application for an award may be submitted by regular mail, or hand delivery.

(a) If an applicant wants to apply for a grant, an applicant must—

(1) Mail the original and two copies of the application on or before the deadline date to: U. S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA #84.214A) Washington, DC 20202-4725 or

(2) Hand deliver the original and two copies of the application by 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on the deadline date to: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA # 84.214A), Room #3633, Regional Office Building #3, 7th and D Streets, SW., Washington, DC 20202

(b) An applicant must show one of the following as proof of mailing:

(1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark.

(2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.

(3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.

(4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Assistant Secretary.

(c) If an application is mailed through the U.S. Postal Service, the Assistant Secretary does not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

(1) A private metered postmark.

(1) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

**Notes:** (1) The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, an applicant should check with its local post office.

(2) The Application Control Center will mail a Grant Application Receipt

Acknowledgment to each applicant. If an applicant fails to receive the notification of application receipt within 15 days from the date of mailing the application, the applicant should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 708-9494.

(3) The applicant must indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 10 of the Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424) the CFDA number—and suffix letter, if any—of the competition under which the application is being submitted.

(4) Guidelines provided for hand delivered applications are applicable to applications delivered by express delivery services. There is a 4:30 p.m. (Washington, D.C. time) deadline for receipt of express delivery services.

(5) Items mailed through the U.S. Post Office to the U.S. Department of Education is subject to rerouting and special processing at other U.S. postal facilities. These special circumstances have and can delay the mail for up to two months. It is recommended that applicants use electronic or express delivery services for the transmission of their applications to ensure timely delivery and processing.

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**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 6381(a)(1)(a).

Dated: May 15, 2002.

**Susan B. Neuman,**

*Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.*

#### **Instructions for Part III—Application Narrative**

Before preparing the Application Narrative, an applicant should read carefully the description of the program and the selection criteria the Assistant Secretary uses to evaluate applications.

The narrative should encompass each function or activity for which funds are being requested and should—

1. Begin with an Abstract; that is, a summary of the proposed project.

2. Describe the proposed project in light of each of the selection criteria in the order in which the criteria are listed in this application package.

(Note: While applicants can address the criteria in any way that is reasonable, given the required emphasis of any MEES project on an integrated program of early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education, the Assistant Secretary believes that a reasonable plan of operation would likely address how the proposed project will provide high-quality instruction in these three areas that, with interactive literacy activities between parents and children (PACT), is integrated into a unified family literacy program. Moreover, consistent with 34 CFR 75.112(b), which requires that the application describe how and when, in each budget period, the applicant plans to meet each project objective, the Assistant Secretary believes that applicants would want particularly to describe each goal in terms of measurable objectives, specific activities that are proposed to meet each objective, time lines associated with these activities, the resources believed to be needed to achieve each objective, and how each objective will be evaluated.)

3. Provide the following information in response to the attached "NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS": (1) a reference to the portion of the application in which the applicant has described the steps that the applicant proposes to take to remove barriers to equitable access to, and equitable participation in, project

activities; or (2) a separate statement that includes this information.

4. Include any other pertinent information that might assist the Assistant Secretary in reviewing the application.

*Page Limit:* The application narrative (Part III of the application) is where the applicant addresses the selection criteria reviewers use to evaluate your application. The recommended page limit for this application is 50 pages (appendices excepted), using the following standards:

- A page is 8.5" x 11", on one side only, with 1" margins at the top, bottom, and both sides.
- Double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions, as well as all text in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.
- Use a font that is either 12-point or larger or no smaller than 10 pitch (characters per inch).

The page limit does not apply to part I, the cover sheet; Part II, the budget section, including the narrative budget justification; Part IV, the assurances and certifications; or the one-page abstract, the resumes, the bibliography, or the letters of support. However, you must include all of the application narrative in Part III.

### Instruction for Estimated Public Reporting Burden

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1810-0541. (Expiration date: 04/30/2003). The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 60 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: US Department of Education, Washington, DC 20202-4651. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this form, write directly to: Office of Migrant Education, US Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202-6135.

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# Application for Federal Education Assistance (ED 424)



U.S. Department of Education

Form Approved  
OMB No. 1875-0106  
Exp. 11/30/2004

## Applicant Information

1. Name and Address		Organizational Unit	
Legal Name: _____		_____	
Address: _____		_____	
City _____		State _____	County _____ ZIP Code + 4 _____
2. Applicant's D-U-N-S Number _____		6. Novice Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
3. Applicant's T-I-N _____		7. Is the applicant delinquent on any Federal debt? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If "Yes," attach an explanation.)	
4. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance #: <b>8 4</b> _____		8. Type of Applicant (Enter appropriate letter in the box.) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Title: _____		A State G Public College or University	
5. Project Director: _____		B Local H Private, Non-Profit College or University	
Address: _____		C Special District I Non-Profit Organization	
City _____ State _____ ZIP Code + 4 _____		D Indian Tribe J Private, Profit-Making Organization	
Tel. #: _____ Fax #: _____		E Individual K Other (Specify): _____	
E-Mail Address: _____		F Independent School District _____	

## Application Information

9. Type of Submission:		12. Are any research activities involving human subjects planned at any time during the proposed project period?	
—PreApplication —Application		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Go to 12a.) <input type="checkbox"/> No (Go to item 13.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Construction		12a. Are all the research activities proposed designated to be exempt from the regulations?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Provide Exemption(s) #): _____	
10. Is application subject to review by Executive Order 12372 process?		<input type="checkbox"/> No (Provide Assurance #): _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Date made available to the Executive Order 12372 process for review): _____		13. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> No (If "No," check appropriate box below.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Program has not been selected by State for review.			
11. Proposed Project Dates: _____		Start Date: _____ End Date: _____	

## Estimated Funding

14a. Federal	\$	.00
b. Applicant	\$	.00
c. State	\$	.00
d. Local	\$	.00
e. Other	\$	.00
f. Program Income	\$	.00
g. TOTAL	\$	0.00

## Authorized Representative Information

15. To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data in this preapplication/application are true and correct. The document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is awarded.	
a. Authorized Representative (Please type or print name clearly.) _____	
b. Title _____	
c. Tel. #: _____	Fax #: _____
d. E-Mail Address: _____	
e. Signature of Authorized Representative _____	Date: _____



## Instructions for ED 424

1. **Legal Name and Address.** Enter the legal name of applicant and the name of the primary organizational unit which will undertake the assistance activity.
2. **D-U-N-S Number.** Enter the applicant's D-U-N-S Number. If your organization does not have a D-U-N-S Number, you can obtain the number by calling 1-800-333-0505 or by completing a D-U-N-S Number Request Form. The form can be obtained via the Internet at the following URL: <http://www.dnb.com>.
3. **Tax Identification Number.** Enter the taxpayer's identification number as assigned by the Internal Revenue Service.
4. **Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number.** Enter the CFDA number and title of the program under which assistance is requested. The CFDA number can be found in the federal register notice and the application package.
5. **Project Director.** Name, address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application.
6. **Novice Applicant.** Check "Yes" or "No" only if assistance is being requested under a program that gives special consideration to novice applicants. Otherwise, leave blank.  
  
Check "Yes" if you meet the requirements for novice applicants specified in the regulations in 34 CFR 75.225 and included on the attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424." By checking "Yes" the applicant certifies that it meets these novice applicant requirements. Check "No" if you do not meet the requirements for novice applicants.
7. **Federal Debt Delinquency.** Check "Yes" if the applicant's organization is delinquent on any Federal debt. (This question refers to the applicant's organization and not to the person who signs as the authorized representative. Categories of debt include delinquent audit disallowances, loans and taxes.) Otherwise, check "No."
8. **Type of Applicant.** Enter the appropriate letter in the box provided.
9. **Type of Submission.** See "Definitions for Form ED 424" attached.
10. **Executive Order 12372.** See "Definitions for Form ED 424" attached. Check "Yes" if the application is subject to review by E.O. 12372. Also, please enter the month, day, and four (4) digit year (e.g., 12/12/2001). Otherwise, check "No."
11. **Proposed Project Dates.** Please enter the month, day, and four (4) digit year (e.g., 12/12/2001).
12. **Human Subjects Research.** (See I.A. "Definitions" in attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424.")  
  
If Not Human Subjects Research. Check "No" if research activities involving human subjects are not planned at any time during the proposed project period. The remaining parts of Item 12 are then not applicable.  
  
If Human Subjects Research. Check "Yes" if research activities involving human subjects are planned at any time during the proposed project period, either at the applicant organization or at any other performance site or collaborating institution. Check "Yes" even if the research is exempt from the regulations for the protection of human subjects. (See I.B. "Exemptions" in attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424.")
- 12a. If Human Subjects Research is Exempt from the Human Subjects Regulations. Check "Yes" if all the research activities proposed are designated to be exempt from the regulations. Insert the exemption number(s) corresponding to one or more of the six exemption categories listed in I.B. "Exemptions." In addition, follow the instructions in II.A. "Exempt Research Narrative" in the attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424." Insert this narrative immediately following the ED 424 face page.
- 12a. If Human Subjects Research is Not Exempt from Human Subjects Regulations. Check "No" if some or all of the planned research activities are covered (not exempt). In addition, follow the instructions in II.B. "Nonexempt Research Narrative" in the page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424." Insert this narrative immediately following the ED 424 face page.
- 12a. **Human Subjects Assurance Number.** If the applicant has an approved Federal Wide (FWA) or Multiple Project Assurance (MPA) with the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, that covers the specific activity, insert the number in the space provided. If the applicant does not have an approved assurance on file with OHRP, enter "None." In this case, the applicant, by signature on the face page, is declaring that it will comply with 34 CFR 97 and proceed to obtain the human subjects assurance upon request by the designated ED official. If the application is recommended/selected for funding, the designated ED official will request that the applicant obtain the assurance within 30 days after the specific formal request.  
  
Note about Institutional Review Board Approval. ED does not require certification of Institutional Review Board approval with the application. However, if an application that involves non-exempt human subjects research is recommended/selected for funding, the designated ED official will request that the applicant obtain and send the certification to ED within 30 days after the formal request.
13. **Project Title.** Enter a brief descriptive title of the project. If more than one program is involved, you should append an explanation on a separate sheet. If appropriate (e.g., construction or real property projects), attach a map showing project location. For preapplications, use a separate sheet to provide a summary description of this project.
14. **Estimated Funding.** Amount requested or to be contributed during the first funding/budget period by each contributor. Value of in-kind contributions should be included on appropriate lines as applicable. If the action will result in a dollar change to an existing award, indicate only the amount of the change. For decreases, enclose the amounts in parentheses. If both basic and supplemental amounts are included, show breakdown on an attached sheet. For multiple program funding, use totals and show breakdown using same categories as item 14.
15. **Certification.** To be signed by the authorized representative of the applicant. A copy of the governing body's authorization for you to sign this application as official representative must be on file in the applicant's office. Be sure to enter the telephone and fax number and e-mail address of the authorized representative. Also, in item 15e, please enter the month, day, and four (4) digit year (e.g., 12/12/2001) in the date signed field.

**Paperwork Burden Statement.** According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1875-0106. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average between 15 and 45 minutes per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this form write directly to: Joyce I. Mays, Application Control Center, U.S. Department of Education, 7th and D Streets, S.W. ROB-3, Room 3633, Washington, D.C. 20202-4725.

## Definitions for Form ED 424

Novice Applicant (See 34 CFR 75.225). For discretionary grant programs under which the Secretary gives special consideration to novice applications, a novice applicant means any applicant for a grant from ED that—

- Has never received a grant or subgrant under the program from which it seeks funding;
- Has never been a member of a group application, submitted in accordance with 34 CFR 75.127-75.129, that received a grant under the program from which it seeks funding; and
- Has not had an active discretionary grant from the Federal government in the five years before the deadline date for applications under the program. For the purposes of this requirement, a grant is active until the end of the grant's project or funding period, including any extensions of those periods that extend the grantee's authority to obligate funds.

In the case of a group application submitted in accordance with 34 CFR 75.127-75.129, a group includes only parties that meet the requirements listed above.

Type of Submission. "Construction" includes construction of new buildings and acquisition, expansion, remodeling, and alteration of existing buildings, and initial equipment of any such buildings, or any combination of such activities (including architects' fees and the cost of acquisition of land). "Construction" also includes remodeling to meet standards, remodeling designed to conserve energy, renovation or remodeling to accommodate new technologies, and the purchase of existing historic buildings for conversion to public libraries. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "equipment" includes machinery, utilities, and built-in equipment and any necessary enclosures or structures to house them; and such term includes all other items necessary for the functioning of a particular facility as a facility for the provision of library services.

Executive Order 12372. The purpose of Executive Order 12372 is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and strengthen federalism by relying on State and local processes for the coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance and direct Federal development. The application notice, as published in the Federal Register, informs the applicant as to whether the program is subject to the requirements of E.O. 12372. In addition, the application package contains information on the State Single Point of Contact. An applicant is still eligible to apply for a grant or grants even if its respective State, Territory, Commonwealth, etc. does not have a State Single Point of Contact. For additional information on E.O. 12372 go to <http://www.cfda.gov/public/eo12372.htm>.

## PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS IN RESEARCH

## I. Definitions and Exemptions

## A. Definitions.

A research activity involves human subjects if the activity is research, as defined in the Department's regulations, and the research activity will involve use of human subjects, as defined in the regulations.

## —Research

The ED Regulations for the Protection of Human Subjects, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 97, define research as "a systematic investigation, including research development, testing and evaluation, designed to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge." If an activity follows a deliberate plan whose purpose is to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge, it is research. Activities which meet this definition constitute research whether or not they are conducted or supported under a program which is considered research for other purposes. For example, some demonstration and service programs may include research activities.

## —Human Subject

The regulations define human subject as "a living individual about whom an investigator (whether professional or student) conducting research obtains (1) data through intervention or interaction with the individual, or (2) identifiable private information." (1) If an activity involves obtaining information about a living person by manipulating that person or that person's environment, as might occur when a new instructional technique is tested, or by communicating or interacting with the individual, as occurs with surveys and interviews, the definition of human subject is met. (2) If an activity involves obtaining private information about a living person in such a way that the information can be linked to that individual (the identity of the subject is or may be readily determined by the investigator or associated with the information), the definition of human subject is met. [Private information includes information about behavior that occurs in a context in which an individual can reasonably expect that no observation or recording is taking place, and information which has been provided for specific purposes by an individual and which the individual can reasonably expect will not be made public (for example, a school health record).]

## B. Exemptions.

Research activities in which the only involvement of human subjects will be in one or more of the following six categories of exemptions are not covered by the regulations:

(1) Research conducted in established or commonly accepted educational settings, involving normal educational practices, such as (a) research on regular and special education instructional strategies, or (b) research on the effectiveness of or the comparison among instructional techniques, curricula, or classroom management methods.

(2) Research involving the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement), survey procedures, interview procedures or observation of public behavior, unless: (a) information obtained is recorded in such a manner that human subjects can be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects; and (b) any disclosure of the human subjects' responses outside the research could reasonably place the subjects at risk of criminal or civil liability or be damaging to the subjects' financial standing, employability, or reputation. If the subjects are children, exemption 2 applies only to research involving educational tests and observations of public behavior when the investigator(s) do not participate in the

activities being observed. Exemption 2 does not apply if children are surveyed or interviewed or if the research involves observation of public behavior and the investigator(s) participate in the activities being observed. [Children are defined as persons who have not attained the legal age for consent to treatments or procedures involved in the research, under the applicable law or jurisdiction in which the research will be conducted.]

(3) Research involving the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement), survey procedures, interview procedures or observation of public behavior that is not exempt under section (2) above, if the human subjects are elected or appointed public officials or candidates for public office; or federal statute(s) require(s) without exception that the confidentiality of the personally identifiable information will be maintained throughout the research and thereafter.

(4) Research involving the collection or study of existing data, documents, records, pathological specimens, or diagnostic specimens, if these sources are publicly available or if the information is recorded by the investigator in a manner that subjects cannot be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects.

(5) Research and demonstration projects which are conducted by or subject to the approval of department or agency heads, and which are designed to study, evaluate, or otherwise examine: (a) public benefit or service programs; (b) procedures for obtaining benefits or services under those programs; (c) possible changes in or alternatives to those programs or procedures; or (d) possible changes in methods or levels of payment for benefits or services under those programs.

(6) Taste and food quality evaluation and consumer acceptance studies, (a) if wholesome foods without additives are consumed or (b) if a food is consumed that contains a food ingredient at or below the level and for a use found to be safe, or agricultural chemical or environmental contaminant at or below the level found to be safe, by the Food and Drug Administration or approved by the Environmental Protection Agency or the Food Safety and Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

## II. Instructions for Exempt and Nonexempt Human Subjects Research Narratives

If the applicant marked "Yes" for Item 12 on the ED 424, the applicant must provide a human subjects "exempt research" or "nonexempt research" narrative and insert it immediately following the ED 424 face page.

### A. Exempt Research Narrative.

If you marked "Yes" for item 12a. and designated exemption numbers(s), provide the "exempt research" narrative. The narrative must contain sufficient information about the involvement of human subjects in the proposed research to allow a determination by ED that the designated exemption(s) are appropriate. The narrative must be succinct.

### B. Nonexempt Research Narrative.

If you marked "No" for item 12a. you must provide the "nonexempt research" narrative. The narrative must address the following seven points. Although no specific page limitation applies to this section of the application, be succinct.

(1) Human Subjects Involvement and Characteristics: Provide a detailed description of the proposed involvement of human subjects. Describe the characteristics of the subject population, including their anticipated number, age range, and health status. Identify the criteria for inclusion or exclusion of any subpopulation. Explain the rationale for the involvement of special classes of subjects, such as children, children with disabilities, adults with disabilities, persons with mental disabilities, pregnant women, prisoners, institutionalized individuals, or others who are likely to be vulnerable

(2) Sources of Materials: Identify the sources of research material obtained from individually identifiable living human subjects in the form of specimens, records, or data. Indicate whether the material or data will be obtained specifically for research purposes or whether use will be made of existing specimens, records, or data.

(3) Recruitment and Informed Consent: Describe plans for the recruitment of subjects and the consent procedures to be followed. Include the circumstances under which consent will be sought and obtained, who will seek it, the nature of the information to be provided to prospective subjects, and the method of documenting consent. State if the Institutional Review Board (IRB) has authorized a modification or waiver of the elements of consent or the requirement for documentation of consent.


(4) Potential Risks: Describe potential risks (physical, psychological, social, legal, or other) and assess their likelihood and seriousness. Where appropriate, describe alternative treatments and procedures that might be advantageous to the subjects.

(5) Protection Against Risk: Describe the procedures for protecting against or minimizing potential risks, including risks to confidentiality, and assess their likely effectiveness. Where appropriate, discuss provisions for ensuring necessary medical or professional intervention in the event of adverse effects to the subjects. Also, where appropriate, describe the provisions for monitoring the data collected to ensure the safety of the subjects.

(6) Importance of the Knowledge to be Gained: Discuss the importance of the knowledge gained or to be gained as a result of the proposed research. Discuss why the risks to subjects are reasonable in relation to the anticipated benefits to subjects and in relation to the importance of the knowledge that may reasonably be expected to result.

(7) Collaborating Site(s): If research involving human subjects will take place at collaborating site(s) or other performance site(s), name the sites and briefly describe their involvement or role in the research.

Copies of the Department of Education's Regulations for the Protection of Human Subjects, 34 CFR Part 97 and other pertinent materials on the protection of human subjects in research are available from the Grants Policy and Oversight Staff, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4248, telephone: (202) 708-8263, and on the U.S. Department of Education's Protection of Human Subjects in Research Web Site at <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OCFO/humansub.html>

		<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</b> <b>BUDGET INFORMATION</b> <b>NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS</b>					OMB Control Number: 1890-0004
		Name of Institution/Organization					Expiration Date: 02/28/2003
Applicants requesting funding for only one year should complete the column under "Project Year 1." Applicants requesting funding for multi-year grants should complete all applicable columns. Please read all instructions before completing form.							
<b>SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY</b> <b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FUNDS</b>							
Budget Categories	Project Year 1 (a)	Project Year 2 (b)	Project Year 3 (c)	Project Year 4 (d)	Project Year 5 (e)	Total (f)	
1. Personnel						0	
2. Fringe Benefits						0	
3. Travel						0	
4. Equipment						0	
5. Supplies						0	
6. Contractual						0	
7. Construction						0	
8. Other						0	
9. Total Direct Costs (lines 1-8)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10. Indirect Costs						0	
11. Training Stipends						0	
12. Total Costs (lines 9-11)	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Name of Institution/Organization		Applicants requesting funding for only one year should complete the column under "Project Year 1." Applicants requesting funding for multi-year grants should complete all applicable columns. Please read all instructions before completing form.				
SECTION B - BUDGET SUMMARY NON-FEDERAL FUNDS						
Budget Categories	Project Year 1 (a)	Project Year 2 (b)	Project Year 3 (c)	Project Year 4 (d)	Project Year 5 (e)	Total (f)
1. Personnel						0
2. Fringe Benefits						0
3. Travel						0
4. Equipment						0
5. Supplies						0
6. Contractual						0
7. Construction						0
8. Other						0
9. Total Direct Costs (lines 1-8)	0	0	0	0	0	0
10. Indirect Costs						0
11. Training Stipends						0
12. Total Costs (lines 9-11)	0	0	0	0	0	0
SECTION C - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION (see instructions)						

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to vary from 13 to 22 hours per response, with an average of 17.5 hours per response, including the time reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the U.S. Department of Education, Information Management and Compliance Division, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project 1875-0102, Washington DC 20503.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ED FORM 524

### General Instructions

This form is used to apply to individual U.S. Department of Education discretionary grant programs. Unless directed otherwise, provide the same budget information for each year of the multi-year funding request. Pay attention to applicable program specific instructions, if attached.

### Section A - Budget Summary U.S. Department of Education Funds

All applicants must complete Section A and provide a breakdown by the applicable budget categories shown in lines 1-11.

Lines 1-11, columns (a)-(e): For each project year for which funding is requested, show the total amount requested for each applicable budget category.

Lines 1-11, column (f): Show the multi-year total for each budget category. If funding is requested for only one project year, leave this column blank.

Line 12, columns (a)-(e): Show the total budget request for each project year for which funding is requested.

Line 12, column (f): Show the total amount requested for all project years. If funding is requested for only one year, leave this space blank.

### Section B - Budget Summary Non-Federal Funds

If you are required to provide or volunteer to provide matching funds or other non-Federal resources to the project, these should be shown for each applicable budget category on lines 1-11 of Section B.

Lines 1-11, columns (a)-(e): For each project year for which matching funds or other contributions are provided, show the total

contribution for each applicable budget category.

Lines 1-11, column (f): Show the multi-year total for each budget category. If non-Federal contributions are provided for only one year, leave this column blank.

Line 12, columns (a)-(e): Show the total matching or other contribution for each project year.

Line 12, column (f): Show the total amount to be contributed for all years of the multi-year project. If non-Federal contributions are provided for only one year, leave this space blank.

### Section C - Other Budget Information Pay attention to applicable program specific instructions, if attached.

1. Provide an itemized budget breakdown, by project year, for each budget category listed in Sections A and B.
2. If applicable to this program, enter the type of indirect rate (provisional, predetermined, final or fixed) that will be in effect during the funding period. In addition, enter the estimated amount of the base to which the rate is applied, and the total indirect expense.
3. If applicable to this program, provide the rate and base on which fringe benefits are calculated.
4. Provide other explanations or comments you deem necessary.

**ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS**

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**NOTE:** Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE	
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION		DATE SUBMITTED

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**CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER  
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature of this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 34 CFR Part 82, "New Restrictions on Lobbying," and 34 CFR Part 85, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)." The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Department of Education determines to award the covered transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

**1. LOBBYING**

As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 82, for persons entering into a grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 34 CFR Part 82, Sections 82.105 and 82.110, the applicant certifies that:

(a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement;

(b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form - LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions;

(c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**2. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER  
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS**

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.105 and 85.110—

A. The applicant certifies that it and its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgement rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (2)(b) of this certification; and

(d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transaction (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and

B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

**3. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE  
(GRANTEES OTHER THAN INDIVIDUALS)**

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.605 and 85.610 -

A. The applicant certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

(a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(b) Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:

(1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;

(2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

(3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and

(4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:

(1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

(2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(e) Notifying the agency, in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to: Director, Grants Policy and Oversight Staff, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. (Room 3652, GSA Regional Office Building No. 3), Washington, DC 20202-4248. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:

(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or

(2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).

B. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

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Check ☐ if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I hereby certify that the applicant will comply with the above certifications.

NAME OF APPLICANT	PR/AWARD NUMBER AND / OR PROJECT NAME
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE	
SIGNATURE	DATE

**DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE  
(GRANTEES WHO ARE INDIVIDUALS)**

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.605 and 85.610-

A. As a condition of the grant, I certify that I will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant; and

B. If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, I will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to: Director, Grants Policy and Oversight Staff, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. (Room 3652, GSA Regional Office Building No. 3), Washington, DC 20202-4248. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.

**Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion — Lower Tier Covered Transactions**

This certification is required by the Department of Education regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 34 CFR Part 85, for all lower tier transactions meeting the threshold and tier requirements stated at Section 85.110.

**Instructions for Certification**

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

**Certification**

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

NAME OF APPLICANT	PR/AWARD NUMBER AND/OR PROJECT NAME
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE	
SIGNATURE	DATE

**DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

Approved by OMB

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(See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

<b>1. Type of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance	<b>2. Status of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award	<b>3. Report Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change <b>For Material Change Only:</b> year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____
<b>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, if known:  Congressional District, if known:	<b>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</b>  Congressional District, if known:	
<b>6. Federal Department/Agency:</b>	<b>7. Federal Program Name/Description:</b>  CFDA Number, if applicable: _____	
<b>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</b>	<b>9. Award Amount, if known:</b> \$	
<b>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant</b> (if individual, last name, first name, MI):	<b>b. Individuals Performing Services</b> (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI):	
<b>11.</b> Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____	
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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.  
  
(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.

OMB Control No. 1890-0007 (Exp. 09/30/2004)

## NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS

The purpose of this enclosure is to inform you about a new provision in the Department of Education's General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) that applies to applicants for new grant awards under Department programs. This provision is Section 427 of GEPA, enacted as part of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (Public Law (P.L.) 103-382).

**To Whom Does This Provision Apply?**

Section 427 of GEPA affects applicants for new grant awards under this program. **ALL APPLICANTS FOR NEW AWARDS MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION IN THEIR APPLICATIONS TO ADDRESS THIS NEW PROVISION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FUNDING UNDER THIS PROGRAM.**

(If this program is a State-formula grant program, a State needs to provide this description only for projects or activities that it carries out with funds reserved for State-level uses. In addition, local school districts or other eligible applicants that apply to the State for funding need to provide this description in their applications to the State for funding. The State would be responsible for ensuring that the school district or other local entity has submitted a sufficient section 427 statement as described below.)

**What Does This Provision Require?**

Section 427 requires each applicant for funds (other than an individual person) to include in its application a description of the steps the applicant proposes to take to ensure equitable access to, and participation in, its Federally-assisted program for students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries with special needs. This provision allows applicants discretion in developing the required description. The statute highlights six types of barriers that can impede equitable access or participation: gender, race, national origin, color, disability, or age. Based on local circumstances, you should determine whether these or other barriers may prevent your students, teachers, etc. from such access or participation in, the Federally-funded project or activity. The description in your application of steps to be taken to overcome these barriers need not be lengthy; you may provide a clear and succinct

description of how you plan to address those barriers that are applicable to your circumstances. In addition, the information may be provided in a single narrative, or, if appropriate, may be discussed in connection with related topics in the application.

Section 427 is not intended to duplicate the requirements of civil rights statutes, but rather to ensure that, in designing their projects, applicants for Federal funds address equity concerns that may affect the ability of certain potential beneficiaries to fully participate in the project and to achieve to high standards. Consistent with program requirements and its approved application, an applicant may use the Federal funds awarded to it to eliminate barriers it identifies.

**What are Examples of How an Applicant Might Satisfy the Requirement of This Provision?**

The following examples may help illustrate how an applicant may comply with Section 427.

- (1) An applicant that proposes to carry out an adult literacy project serving, among others, adults with limited English proficiency, might describe in its application how it intends to distribute a brochure about the proposed project to such potential participants in their native language.
- (2) An applicant that proposes to develop instructional materials for classroom use might describe how it will make the materials available on audio tape or in braille for students who are blind.
- (3) An applicant that proposes to carry out a model science program for secondary students and is concerned that girls may be less likely than boys to enroll in the course, might indicate how it intends to conduct "outreach" efforts to girls, to encourage their enrollment.

We recognize that many applicants may already be implementing effective steps to ensure equity of access and participation in their grant programs, and we appreciate your cooperation in responding to the requirements of this provision.

**Estimated Burden Statement for GEPA Requirements**

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is **1890-0007**. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 1.5 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. **If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to:** Director, Grants Policy and Oversight Staff, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW (Room 3652, GSA Regional Office Building No. 3). Washington, DC 20202-4248.

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

[FEMA-1412-DR]

### Missouri; Amendment No.1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency  
Management Agency (FEMA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Missouri, (FEMA-1412-DR), dated May 6, 2002, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 8, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Madge Dale, Readiness, Response and Recovery and Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705 or [madge.dale@fema.gov](mailto:madge.dale@fema.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Missouri is hereby amended to include Individual Assistance in the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of May 6, 2002:

Bollinger, Butler, Carter, Howell and Madison Counties for Individual Assistance (already designated for Public Assistance).

Cape Girardeau, Douglas, Dunklin, Iron, Oregon, Ozark, Perry, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon, St. Francois, Stoddard, Texas and Wayne Counties for Individual Assistance. (The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 83.537, Community Disaster Loans; 83.538, Cora Brown Fund Program; 83.539, Crisis Counseling; 83.540, Disaster Legal Services Program; 83.541, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 83.542, Fire Suppression Assistance; 83.543, Individual and Family Grant (IFG) Program; 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.545, Disaster Housing Program; 83.548, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**Joe M. Allbaugh,**  
*Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site- Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, June 6, 2002, 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Jefferson County Airport Terminal Building, Mount Evans Room, 11755 Airport Way, Broomfield, CO.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO, 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855; fax (303) 420-7579.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

#### Tentative Agenda

1. Quarterly update on Rocky Flats issues, provided by a representative from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

2. Discussion with DOE representatives and regulators on Rocky Flats end-state issues.

3. Other Board business may be conducted as necessary.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provisions will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

*Minutes:* The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room located at the Office of the Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855. Hours of operations for the Public Reading Room are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Deb

Thompson at the address or telephone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on May 15, 2002.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-339-000]

### Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Filing

May 14, 2002.

Take notice that on May 1, 2002, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) submitted a motion for extension of time to comply with Order No. 587-N, until the date Transco implements its new business system, 1Line.

Transco states that the basis for the extension of time is related to its ongoing efforts to develop its new business system, 1Line and, in the interim, to avoid the allocation of substantial resources necessary to modify its existing system to comply with the Commission's directives. Transco requests an extension of time to comply with the first phase of the intraday recall requirement in Order No. 587-N until the implementation of 1Line on April 1, 2003. Transco contends that it is unable to modify its existing business systems to comply with the Commission's intraday recall provisions by July 1, 2002. Transco further asserts that it cannot manually comply with Order No. 587-N. Since Transco is in the process of developing a new business system 1Line, it requests an extension of time to comply with the first phase of Order No. 587-N until its new business system is implemented. Transco asserts that it anticipates 1Line will be implemented by April 1, 2003.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's rules and regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before May 24, 2002. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies