

information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile on 202-514-1590.

Overview of This Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of Current Collection.

(2) *The title of this form/collection:* Department of Justice Procurement Blanket Clearance.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Procurement Solicitation Documents, Justice Management Division, Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract.* Primary: Commercial organizations and individuals who voluntarily submit offers and bids to compete for contract awards to provide supplies and services required by the Government. All work statements and pricing data are required to evaluate the contractors bid or proposal.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time for an average respondent to respond:* 7,462 respondents, 20 hours average response time.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with this collection:* 149,240 hours annually.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and

Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: January 9, 1998.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

National Institute of Justice

[OJP (NIJ)-1147]

National Institute of Justice Solicitation for Building Safer Public Housing Communities Through Locally Initiated Research Partnerships

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation.

SUMMARY: Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice solicitation "Building Safer Public Housing Communities Through Locally Initiated Research Partnerships, 1998."

DATES: Due date for receipt of proposals is close of business March 31, 1998.

ADDRESSES: National Institute of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS at 1-800-851-3420. For general information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center at 1-800-421-6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, §§ 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

Background

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is calling for proposals to implement Locally Initiated Research Projects (LIRP) in Public and Indian Housing Authorities. These projects will assist housing authorities in the evaluation of efforts to control and prevent drug and drug-related crime problems such as those supported by the Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP). Eight to 12 awards for a total expenditure of up to \$975,000 will be awarded to proposals that include the following areas of research:

Each LIRP must have as its purpose one of two organizing principles: to evaluate the effectiveness of an on-going program; or to identify problems within a Housing Authority (HA) development, implement a program to solve those problems, and evaluate the solutions effectiveness.

Each LIRP must include, as a minimum, officials and residents of an HA, and a researcher. The roles of each of these partners must be equivalent in terms of decisionmaking. Each proposal must also outline how these partnerships will be continued once Federal funding has concluded.

Interested organizations should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Building Safer Public Housing Communities Through Locally Initiated Research Partnerships, 1998" (refer to document No. SL000243). For World Wide Web access, connect either to either NIJ at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/funding.htm>, or the NCJRS Justice Information Center at <http://www.ncjrs.org/fedgrant.htm#nij>.

Jeremy Travis,

Director, National Institute of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

National Institute of Justice

[OJP (NIJ)-1148]

National Institute of Justice Solicitation for Evaluation of Victims of Crime Act State Compensation and Assistance Programs, 1998

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of Solicitation.

SUMMARY: Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice "Evaluation of Victims of Crime Act State Compensation and Assistance Programs, 1998."

DATES: Due date for receipt of proposals is close of business March 16, 1998.

ADDRESSES: National Institute of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS 1-800-851-3420. For general information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 1-800-421-6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Authority**

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, §§ 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

Background

The National Institute of Justice is calling for proposals for an evaluation of Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funded compensation and assistance programs. These programs have an overall goal of providing a seamless web of services and support to reduce the financial, physical, psychological, and emotional costs of victimization. One grant of \$750,000 for a 30-month period, will be awarded to evaluate the effectiveness of these programs in meeting their goals and victim needs.

Interested organizations should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Evaluation of Victims of Crime Act State Compensation and Assistance Programs" (refer to document no. SL000242). For World Wide Web access, connect to either NIJ at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/funding.htm>, or the NCJRS Justice Information Center at <http://www.ncjrs.org/fedgrant.htm#nij>.

Jeremy Travis,

Director, National Institute of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Office of The Secretary****Privacy Act of 1974; Proposed New Routine Use To an Existing System of Records**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Labor.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(11)), the Department of Labor is issuing notice of our intent to amend the system of records entitled, DOL/OFO-1, Attendance, Leave, and Payroll File, to include a new routine use. The disclosure is required by the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA, Pub.L. 104-193). We invite public comment on this publication.

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on the proposed routine use must do so by February 17, 1998.

Effective date: The proposed routine use will become effective as proposed

without further notice on February 17, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Interested individuals may comment on this publication by writing to Robert A. Shapiro, Associate Solicitor, Division of Legislation and Legal Counsel, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-2428, Washington, DC 20210. All comments received will be available for public inspection at that address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Miriam McD. Miller, Co-Counsel for Administrative Law, Office of the Solicitor, Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-2428, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 219-8188, ext. 135.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section three of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4)), hereinafter referred to as the Act, the Department hereby publishes notice of a proposed new routine use for the Department's existing payroll system of records. This document supplements this Department's last publication in full of all of its Privacy Act systems of records. On September 23, 1993, in Volume 58 at Page 49548 of the **Federal Register**, we published a notice containing 138 systems of records which were maintained under the Act. Subsequent publications of new systems were made on April 15, 1994 (59 FR 18156)(two new systems); on May 10, 1995 (60 FR 24897)(one new system); and on June 15, 1995 (60 FR 31495)(one new system); April 7, 1997 (62 FR 16610)(one new system); and on October 14, 1997 (62 FR 53343) (one new system).

The Department hereby proposes to amend an existing system of records, DOL/OCFO-1, Attendance, Leave and Payroll File, so that a new Routine Use can be established. Pursuant to Pub. L. 104-193, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, this Department will disclose data from this system to the Office of Child Support Enforcement, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for use in the National Database of New Hires, part of the Federal Parent Locator System (FPLS) and Federal Tax Offset System, DHHS/OCSE No. 09-90-0074. A description of the Federal Parent Locator Service may be found at 62 FR 51663 (October 2, 1997).

FPLS is a computerized network through which States may request location information from Federal and State agencies to find non-custodial parents and/or their employers for purposes of establishing paternity and

securing support. On October 1, 1997, the FPLS was expanded to include the National Directory of New Hires, a database containing information on employees recently hired, quarterly wage data on private and public sector employees, and information on unemployment compensation benefits. On October 1, 1998, the FPLS will be expanded further to include a Federal Case Registry. The Federal Case Registry will contain abstracts on all participants involved in child support enforcement cases. When the Federal Case Registry is instituted, its files will be matched on an ongoing basis against the files in the National Directory of New Hires to determine if an employee is a participant in a child support case anywhere in the country. If the FPLS identifies a person as being a participant in a State child support case, that State will be notified of the participant's current employer. State requests to the FPLS for location information will also continue to be processed after October 1, 1998.

When individuals are hired by the Department of Labor, we may disclose to the FPLS their names, social security numbers, home addresses, dates of birth, dates of hire, and information identifying us as the employer. We also may disclose to FPLS names, social security numbers, and quarterly earnings of each Department of Labor employee, within one month of the end of the quarterly reporting period.

Information submitted by the Department of Labor to the FPLS will be disclosed by the Office of Child Support Enforcement to the Social Security Administration for verification to ensure that the social security number provided is correct. The data disclosed by the Department of Labor to the FPLS will also be disclosed by the Office of Child Support Enforcement to the Secretary of the Treasury for use in verifying claims for the advance payment of the earned income tax credit or to verify a claim of employment on a tax return.

We are also making various minor grammatical corrections to this system. The names of agencies within the category for System Location are being updated. In the Records Category, two commas are being added, and two grammatical corrections are being made. Finally, two grammatical corrections are being made in the category for Purpose.

Universal Routine Uses

In its September 23, 1993 publication, the Department gave notice of eleven paragraphs containing routine uses which apply to all of its systems of records, except for DOL/OASAM-5 and DOL/OASAM-7. These eleven