

currently one vacancy in the Advisory Committee.

The objectives of the Advisory Committee are to: (1) Provide informed advice to the President regarding the implementation of the Program; and (2) review on a regular basis, the operation of the Program, and provide the President with the conclusions of its review. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 12916, dated May 13, 1994, the President established an interagency Finance Committee to implement the Program and to receive, on behalf of the President, advice of the Advisory Committee. The Finance Committee is chaired by the Secretary of the Treasury or his designated representative.

A meeting of the Advisory Committee, which will be open to the public, will be held in Washington, D.C. at the Marriott Hotel at Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20005 (Tel. 202-737-2200) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 2000. The exact location of the meeting room will be posted in the hotel lobby on the day of the meeting. The meeting room will accommodate approximately 50 persons and seating is available on a first-come, first-serve basis, unless space has been reserved in advance. Due to limited seating, prospective attendees are encouraged to contact the person listed below prior to April 14, 2000.

The purpose of the meeting is to review the operations of the Program, and to provide the Finance Committee with advice regarding the conclusions of its review and other implementation issues. Specifically, the meeting would review the recent status of, and anticipated activities of, the three Program components, namely, the federal agency program, the direct loan program, and the grant program.

If you would like to have the Advisory Committee consider a written statement, material must be submitted to the U.S. Community Adjustment and Investment Program, Advisory Committee, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, South Court 17-B, Washington, D.C. 20220 no later than April 7, 2000. If you have any questions, please call Dan Decena at (202) 622-0637 (Please note that this telephone number is not toll-free.)

**Harry M. Haigood,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Government Financial Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Community Development Financial Institutions Fund

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (the Fund) within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Bank Enterprise Award (BEA) Program. **DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 2, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Jeannine Jacokes, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 601 13th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20005, Fax number (202) 622-7754.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 601 13th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20005, or call (202) 622-8662.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Bank Enterprise Award Program Survey.

*OMB Number:* 1559-0008.

*Abstract:* The purpose of the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (Act) was to create the Fund to promote economic revitalization and community development through investment in and assistance to Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs). The Fund's BEA Program helps achieve this purpose through an incentive system for insured depository institutions to, among other things, increase their lending to and investment in CDFIs by rewarding participating institutions with awards.

*Current Actions:* The Fund plans to survey BEA awardees in order to measure the effects of the BEA Program on insured depository institution community development activities.

*Type of review:* Extension.  
*Affected Public:* Insured depository institutions  
*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 50.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 50 hours.

#### Requests for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

**Authority:** 12 U.S.C. 1834a, 4701, 4704, 4713; 12 CFR part 1806.

Dated: March 28, 2000.

**Maurice A. Jones,**

*Deputy Director for Policy and Programs, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Customs Service

#### General Program Test for Transfer of Accompanied (International) In-Transit Baggage

**AGENCY:** Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** General notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice extends the time period for applying to participate in the general program test for the transfer of accompanied, international in-transit baggage.

**DATES:** To participate in the test, applicants have until close of business on May 26, 2000, to file the required information with Customs.

**ADDRESSES:** To apply for participation in the test, air carriers must timely submit to the appropriate port director (having jurisdiction over the airport

involved) a written statement of intent to comply with the requirements of the test program.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information relative to the test program and the application to participate: Steve A. Gilbert, Office of Field Operations (202) 927-1391.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On February 23, 2000, Customs published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 9054) a notice announcing a general program test for the transfer of accompanied, international in-transit baggage. The notice announced the eligibility requirements for participation in the test, described the information transmission and baggage processing procedures required of participant air carriers, and set forth that applications to participate must be filed on or before March 24, 2000. Comments were also requested, to be submitted to Customs on or before the same date.

Customs anticipates issuance of another notice regarding the test program to announce any changes in the test that might be warranted after Customs evaluates the comments received and reconsiders the test program in light thereof.

This notice announces that the time period for applying to participate in the test has been extended to May 26, 2000.

Dated: March 29, 2000.

**Robert J. McNamara,**

*Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), in accordance with Public Law 103-446, gives notice that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans will be held from Monday, April 17, 2000 to Wednesday, April 19, 2000, in Washington, DC. The purpose of the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the administration of VA benefits and services to minority veterans; to assess the needs of minority veterans and to evaluate whether VA compensation, medical and rehabilitation services, outreach, and other programs are meeting those needs. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

The meeting will convene in room 230, VA Central Office (VACO) Building, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. On April 17, the Committee will focus on such health care issues as HIV/

AIDS, Hepatitis C, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, and medical research. On Tuesday, April 18, the Committee will concentrate its efforts on veterans' employment and training issues, the cardiac care program evaluation, and the Veterans' Benefits Administration's Road Map to Excellence. The Committee will work in Subcommittees in the afternoon session. On Wednesday, April 19, the Committee will examine several diversity training programs and will begin drafting its annual report for Fiscal Year 2000. These sessions will be open to the public. It will be necessary for those wishing to attend the meeting to contact Mr. Anthony T. Hawkins, Department of Veterans Affairs, at (202) 273-6708, before April 16, 2000. No time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations from the public. However, the Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues affecting minority veterans. Such comments should be referred to the Committee at the following address: Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, Center for Minority Veterans (00M), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420.

Dated: March 24, 2000.

By Direction of the Secretary.

**Marvin R. Eason,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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