DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1103-0096]

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services; Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of a Previously Approved Collection, With Change; Comments Requested

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: COPS Application Guide.

The Department of Justice (DOJ)
Office of Community Oriented Policing
Services (COPS), will be submitting the
following information collection request
to the Office of Management and Budget
(OMB) for review and approval in
accordance with the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995. The extension of
a previously approved information
collection is published to obtain
comments from the public and affected
agencies.

The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days for public comment until January 14, 2008. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320 10

If you have comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Rebekah Dorr, Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, 1100 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- —Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- —Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- —Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g.,

permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

- (1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a previously approved collection, with change; comments requested.
- (2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* COPS Application Guide.
- (3) Agency Form Number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: None. U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Law enforcement agencies and other public and private entities that apply for COPS Office grants or cooperative agreements will be asked to review the COPS Application Guide. The COPS Application Guide provides instructions for all applicants and is the result of a COPS Office business process reengineering effort aimed at standardization as required under the grant streamlining requirements of Public Law 106-107, the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999, as well as the President's Management Agenda E-grants Initiative. This collection combines the previously approved collection COPS Application Guide: Targeted/Invited Programs (1103–0096) with the collection COPS Application Guide: Open/Competitive Programs (1103-0095).
- (5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: It is estimated that 6,200 respondents annually will complete the form within 1 hour.
- (6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: There are an estimated 6,200 total annual burden hours associated with this collection.

If additional information is required contact: Lynn Bryant, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Patrick Henry Building, Suite 1600, 601 D Street NW., Washington, DC 20530.

November 6, 2007.

Lynn Bryant,

Department Clearance Officer, PRA, Department of Justice. [FR Doc. E7–22075 Filed 11–9–07; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1122-0006]

Office on Violence Against Women Agency Information Collection Activities: Revision of a Currently Approved Collection

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Semi-Annual Progress Report for the Grants To Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program.

The Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for "sixty days" until January 14, 2008. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice, especially the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to The Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to (202) 395–5806.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments 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, including 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.

Overview of This Information Collection

- (1) Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.
- (2) Title of the Form/Collection: Semi-Annual Progress Report for Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program.
- (3) Agency Form Number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form Number: 1122–0006. U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: The affected public includes the approximately 200 grantees of the Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program (Arrest Program) whose eligibility is determined by statute. The Arrest Program was authorized through the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and reauthorized and amended by the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 (VAWA 2000) and by the Violence Against Women Act of 2005 (VAWA 2005). The Arrest Program promotes mandatory or pro-arrest policies and encourages jurisdictions to treat domestic violence and sexual assault as a serious crime, establish coordinated community responses and facilitate the enforcement of protection orders. By statute, eligible grantees for the Arrest Program are States, Indian tribal governments, State and local courts including juvenile courts, tribal courts, and units of local government. For the purpose of this Program, a unit of local government is any city, county, township, town, borough, parish, village, or other general-purpose political subdivision of a State; an Indian tribe that performs law enforcement functions as determined by the Secretary of Interior; or, for the purpose of assistance eligibility, any agency of the District of Columbia government or the United States Government performing law enforcement functions in and for the District of Columbia, and any Trust Territory of the U.S.
- (5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: It is estimated that it will take the 200 respondents (Arrest Program grantees) approximately one hour to complete a semi-annual progress report. The semi-annual progress report is divided into sections that pertain to the different types of activities that grantees may engage in, i.e. training or

developing a protection order registry, and the different types of grantees that receive funds, *i.e.* law enforcement agencies, prosecutors' offices, courts, victim services agencies, etc. An Arrest Program grantee will only be required to complete those sections of the form that pertain to their own specific activities.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The total annual hour burden to complete the data collection forms is 400 hours, that is 200 grantees completing a form twice a year with an estimate completion time for the form being one hour.

If additional information is required contact: Lynn Bryant, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Suite 1600, Patrick Henry Building, 601 D Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: November 6, 2007.

Lynn Bryant,

Department Clearance Officer, PRA, United States Department of Justice.

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[OMB Number 1122-NEW]

Office on Violence Against Women; Agency Information Collection Activities: New Collection

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Semi-Annual Progress Report for the Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program.

The Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for "sixty days" until January 14, 2008. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice, especially the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to The Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to (202) 395–5806.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies

concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments 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, including 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.

Overview of This Information Collection

- (1) Type of Information Collection: New Collection.
- (2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Semi-Annual Progress Report for Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program.
- (3) Agency Form Number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form Number: None. U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: The affected public includes the approximately 85 grantees of the Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program (Tribal Governments Program), a new grant program authorized by the Violence Against Women Act of 2005. This discretionary grant program is designed to enhance the ability of tribes to respond to violent crimes against Indian women, enhance victim safety, and develop education and prevention strategies. Eligible applicants are recognized Indian tribal governments or their authorized designees.
- (5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: It is estimated that it will take the approximately 85 respondents (Tribal Governments Program grantees) approximately one hour to complete a semi-annual progress report. The semi-annual progress report is divided into sections that pertain to the different types of activities in which grantees may engage. A Tribal Governments