DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans’ Employment and Training (OASVET); Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; VETS’ Competitive Grant Programs Reporting

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is soliciting comments concerning a proposed approval for the authority to conduct the information collection (ICR) titled “VETS’ Competitive Grant Programs Reporting Data Collection.” This comment request is part of continuing Departmental efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all written comments received by March 8, 2016.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation, including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden, may be obtained for free by contacting Bradley Sickles by telephone at (202) 693–4741 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at bradley.sickles@dol.gov. Submit written comments about, or requests for a copy of, this ICR by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor, Veterans’ Employment and Training Service, Room S1325, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; by email: bradley.sickles@dol.gov; or by fax (202–693–4755).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bradley Sickles, by telephone at (202) 693–4741 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at bradley.sickles@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOL, as part of continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information before submitting them to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for final approval. This program helps to ensure requested data will be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements can be properly assessed. The forms and formats contained in this information collection request apply to the following competitive grants (CG): Homeless Veterans’ Reintegration Program (HRVP) and the Stand Down Grants Program (38 U.S.C. 2021); Homeless Female Veterans and Homeless Veterans with Families (HFHVVF) reintegration grant program (38 U.S.C. 2021A); Incarcerated Veterans’ Transition Program (IVTP) (38 U.S.C. 2023); and the Veterans’ Workforce Investment Program (VWIP) (29 U.S.C. 2913). This information collection is authorized by the provisions at 38 U.S.C. 2021(b); 38 U.S.C. 2021A(c); 29 U.S.C. 2913(b)(2); and section 200.328, title II, Code of Federal Regulations (2 CFR 200.328).

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB approves it under the PRA and it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments to the contact shown in the addresses section. Comments must be written to receive consideration, and they will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the final ICR. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention “VETS’ CG Programs Reporting Data Collection.” Submitted comments will also be a matter of public record for this ICR and posted on the Internet without redaction. The DOL encourages commenters not to include personally identifiable information, confidential business data, or other sensitive statements/information in any comments. The DOL is particularly interested in comments that:

• 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;
  • 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.

Agency: DOL—VETS.

Title of Collection: VETS’ Competitive Grant Programs Reporting.

Forms:
1. VETS–700, Competitive Grants (CG) Planned Goals Chart;
2. VETS–701, CG Technical Performance Report (TPR);
3. VETS–702, CG Technical Performance Narrative (TPN);
4. VETS–703, Stand Down After Action Report (SDAAR)

OMB Control Number: 1293–0006.

Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments; Private Sector—businesses or other for-profits and non-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 325.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 1,300.

Estimated Average Time per Response: 12 Hours.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 15,600 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden: $0.


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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Agreement Approval Process for Use of Functional Affirmative Action Programs

ACTION: Notice.

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Authority:
44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

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ACTION: Notice.

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ACTION: Notice.
SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) sponsored information collection request (ICR) revision titled, “Agreement Approval Process for Use of Functional Affirmative Action Programs,” to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

DATES: The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before February 8, 2016.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the RegInfo.gov Web site at http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201511–1250–001 (this link will only become active on the day following publication of this notice) or by contacting Seleda Perryman by telephone at 202–693–4131, TTY 202–693–8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

Submit comments about this request by mail or courier to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL–OFCCP, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503; by Fax: 202–395–5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov.

Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor—OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; or by email: DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Seleda Perryman by telephone at 202–693–4131, TTY 202–693–8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov. Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This ICR seeks approval under the PRA for revisions to the Agreement Approval Process for Use of Functional Affirmative Action Programs. The regulations implementing Executive Order 11246 permit Federal supply and service contractors to develop affirmative action programs (AAPs) that are based on business functions or business units rather than AAPs based on establishments. Functional affirmative action programs (FAAPs) are designed to provide contractors with the option of creating AAPs that better fit their business needs. To develop and implement a FAAP, Federal contractors must receive written approval from the Director of OFCCP. This Information Collection Request (ICR) addresses the collection of information associated with the process for obtaining, modifying, updating, and renewing an agreement that allows contractors to develop and use functional AAPs. This information collection has been classified as a revision, because OFCCP is requesting Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of 1,427 hours (9.5 hour per contractor) in reporting burden for its approval process to allow contractors to develop function based affirmative action programs. This is an increase over the previous request of 926 hours (7.6 hours per contractor). The increase is primarily attributed to the addition of a certification requirement. Additionally, in response to contractor comments, OFCCP removed the requirement in the previous directive that contractors requesting to use functional or business unit affirmative action programs provide a copy of a Federal contract. There are no recordkeeping or third party disclosure burdens associated with this Information Collection Request. Those requirements are accounted for under 1250–0003. 41 CFR 60–2.1(d)(4) authorizes this information collection.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1250–0006. The current approval is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2015, however, the DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. New requirements would only take effect upon OMB approval. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the Federal Register on July 16, 2015 (80 FR 42127).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1250–0006. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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.

Agency: DOL–OFCCP.

Dated: December 31, 2015.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
OMB Final Sequestration Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2016

AGENCY: Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget.