SUMMARY: The Institute of Museum and Library Services announces the following information collection has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This program helps to ensure that requested data can 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 on respondents can be properly assessed. This notice proposes the clearance of the instructions for the IMLS Accelerating Promising Practices for Small Libraries (APP) Notice of Funding Opportunity.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation’s libraries and museums. We advance, support, and empower America’s museums, libraries, and related organizations through grant making, research, and policy development. Our vision is a nation where museums and libraries work together to transform the lives of individuals and communities. To learn more, visit www.imls.gov.

II. Current Actions

The goal of the IMLS initiative Accelerating Promising Practices for Small Libraries (APP) is to support projects that strengthen the ability of small and rural libraries and archives to serve their communities. IMLS invites applications that focus on transforming school library practice, community memory, or digital inclusion, and are clearly linked to an individual institution’s broader community needs. IMLS Accelerating Promising Practices for Small Libraries (APPL) is being offered as a special initiative with funding from the National Leadership Grants for Libraries Program. This action is to create the forms and instructions for this initiative as a Notice of Funding Opportunity for the next three years.


OMB Number: 2019–0120.

Frequency: Once per year.

Affected Public: Library organization applicants.

Number of Respondents: 150.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 35 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 5250 hours.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: n/a.

Total Annual costs: $145,582.50.


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