

Authority: Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002, Public Law 107-77.

Funding Availability

On November 20, 2001, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) announced the Notice of Closing Date and Solicitation of Applications for the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program (PTFP) (66 FR 58302). At the time the *Notice of Closing Date and Solicitation of Applications* appeared in the **Federal Register**, PTFP had not been appropriated funds through the fiscal year. The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), U.S. Department of Commerce announces that approximately \$25 million is available for award to applicants submitting applications in response to the Notice of Closing Date published November 20, 2001. Pursuant to P.L. 107-77, the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002, the Congress appropriated \$41.1 million for Public Telecommunications Facilities Program grants. NTIA has allocated approximately \$16 million from the \$41.1 million for funding additional phases of multi-year projects initially funded in FY 2000 and FY 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

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Technology Opportunities Program

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: On December 6, 2001, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) announced the Solicitation of Grant Applications for the Technology Opportunities Program (TOP). At the time the Notice of Solicitation of Grant Applications appeared in the **Federal Register**, TOP had not been appropriated funds through the fiscal

year. TOP is publishing this Notice of Availability of Funds to announce the fiscal year 2002 appropriation amount for TOP grants.

DATES: Complete applications for the Fiscal Year 2002 TOP grant program must be mailed or hand-carried to the address indicated below and received by NTIA no later than 8 P.M. EST, March 21, 2002. NTIA anticipates the processing and selection of applications for funding will require 6 months. NTIA expects to announce FY 2002 awards prior to September 30, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Completed applications must be mailed, shipped, or sent overnight express to: Technology Opportunities Program, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., HCHB, Room 4092, Washington, DC 20230.

or hand-delivered to: Technology Opportunities Program, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, HCHB, Room 1874, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Room 1874 is located at entrance #10 on 15th Street NW., between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Stephen J. Downs, Director of the Technology Opportunities Program. Telephone: 202-482-2048; fax: 202-501-5136; e-mail: top@ntia.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002, Public Law 107-77.

Funding Availability

On December 6, 2001, NTIA announced in the **Federal Register**, 66 FR 235, that TOP was soliciting grant applications. The Notice of Solicitation of Grant Applications did not announce the amount of available funds because, at the time the Notice was drafted, a final appropriation for TOP was enacted into law. On November 28, 2001, by enactment of Public Law 107-77, TOP was appropriated approximately \$12.4 million for grants in FY 2002.

Except to note that funding for TOP is approximately \$12.4 million for grants in FY 2002, all other information announced in the Notice of Solicitation of Grant Applications remains in effect. In addition, the Guidelines for Preparing Applications—Fiscal Year 2002 were unchanged by the appropriations

legislation and should now be considered final.

Other Information

For further information on the TOP, please refer to the program's Notice of Solicitation of Grant Applications, 66 FR 235 (December 6, 2001). Materials needed to complete an application can be obtained electronically via TOP's web site at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/top> or by contacting the TOP office at 202-482-2048.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Information Collection Requirements; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Types of Contracts

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection requirement for use through September 30, 2002. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through September 30, 2005.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by April 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Respondents may submit comments directly on the World Wide Web at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf/pubcomm>. As an alternative,