

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Administration for Children and Families****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

*Title:* Office of Refugee Resettlement Cash and Medical Assistance Program Quarterly Report on Expenditures and Obligations.

*OMB No.:* 0970—NEW.

*Description:* The Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) reimburses, to the extent of available appropriations, certain non-federal costs for the provision of cash and medical assistance to refugees and other eligible persons, along with allowable expenses for the administration of the refugee resettlement program at the State level. States, Wilson/Fish projects (alternative projects for the administration of the refugee resettlement program), and State

Replacement Designees currently submit the SF-269 Financial Status Report in accordance with 45 CFR part 92 and 45 CFR part 74. This proposed new data collection would replace the current requirement for the SF-269 Financial Status Report with a Quarterly Report on Expenditures and Obligations that would collect similar financial status data (*i.e.*, amounts of expenditures and obligations) broken down by the four program components: refugee cash assistance, refugee medical assistance, health screening, and services for unaccompanied refugee minors as well as by program administration. This breakdown of financial status data on expenditures and obligations would allow ORR to track program expenditures in greater detail to anticipate any funding issues and to meet the requirements of ORR regulations at 45 CFR 400.211 to collect these data for use in estimating annual costs of the refugee resettlement program. ORR must implement the

methodology at 45 CFR 400.211 each year after receipt of its annual appropriation to ensure that the appropriated funds will be adequate for assistance to entering refugees. The estimating methodology prescribed in the ORR regulations requires the use of actual past costs by program component. In the event that the methodology indicates that appropriated funds are inadequate, ORR must take steps to reduce federal expenses, such as by limiting the number of months of eligibility for Refugee Cash Assistance and Refugee Medical Assistance. This proposed single-page report on expenditures and obligations will allow ORR to collect the necessary data to ensure that funds are adequate for the projected need and thereby meet the requirements of both the Refugee Act and ORR regulations.

*Respondents:* State Governments, Wilson/Fish Alternative Projects, State Replacement Designees

**ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES**

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Office of Refugee Resettlement Cash and Medical Assistance Program Quarterly Report on Expenditures and Obligations .....	59	4	0.50	118

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 118.

**Additional Information:**

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. Email address: [infocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:infocollection@acf.hhs.gov).

**OMB Comment:**

OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Fax: 202-395-7285, Email: [OIRA\\_SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV](mailto:OIRA_SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV). Attn: Desk Officer for the

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Administration for Children and Families****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

*Title:* Refugee Data Submission System for Formula Funds Allocations.

*OMB No.:* 0970-0043.

*Description:* The information collection of Refugee Data Submission System for Formula Funds Allocations replaces the ORR-11 Refugee State of Origin Report and is designed to satisfy the statutory requirements of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA). Section 412(a)(3) of the Act requires the Director of the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) to make a periodic assessment, based on refugee population and other relevant factors, of the relative

needs of refugees for assistance and services and the resources available to meet those needs. This includes compiling and maintaining data on the secondary migration of refugees within the United States after arrival. Further, INA 412(c)(1)(B) states that formula funds shall be allocated based on the total number of refugees, taking into account secondary migration.

In order to meet the statutory requirements, ORR requires each state to submit disaggregated individual records containing certain data elements for eligible refugee populations. This revised collection differs from the ORR-11 Refugee State-of-Origin Report process, whereby states submitted the ORR-11 form containing aggregate data on the number of refugees and entrants served whose "area numbers" (the first three digits of the social security number) fell into each of several designated numerical ranges. ORR used the information on the ORR-11 to measure secondary migration for the purposes of formula funds allocation to states. The revision is proposed due to the realization that:

(1) The Social Security Administration states that the first three digits of social security numbers (area