

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
New Hire: Employers Reporting Manually	5,166,000	3.484	.0417 hours (2.5 minutes)	750,531
New Hire: Employers Reporting Electronically	1,134,000	37.037	.00028 hours (1 second)	11,760
New Hire: States	54	83.333	266.669 hours	1,200,001
Quarterly Wage & Unemployment Compensation	54	4	.033 hours (2 minutes)	7.13
Multistate Employers' Notification Form	2052	1	.050 hours (3 minutes)	102.6
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:				1,962,402

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer.

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, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attn: Desk Officer for ACF.

Dated: November 3, 2000.

Bob Sargis,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

[Program Announcement No. ACF/ACYF/HS FY 2001-03]

Fiscal Year 2001 Discretionary Announcement for University-Head Start Partnerships and Graduate Student Head Start Research Grants: Availability of Funds and Request for Applications

AGENCY: Administration on Children, Youth, and Families, ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

Statutory Authority: The Head Start Act, as amended 42 U.S.C. 9801 *et seq.* CFDA: 93.600.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth, and Families, Head Start Bureau announces the availability of funds for two Priority Areas; University-Head Start Partnerships (1.01) and Graduate Student Head Start Research Grants (1.02). These priority areas will support research activities in the areas of infant and toddler development within the cultural context, school readiness, mental health and field-initiated research which will increase our knowledge of low-income children's development for the purpose of improving services or have significant policy implications.

DATES: The closing date for receipt of applications is 5:00 P.M. EDT February 7, 2001.

Note: Applications should be submitted to the ACYF Operations Center at: 1815 N. Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22209. However, prior to preparing and submitting an application, in order to satisfactorily compete under this announcement it will be necessary for potential applicants to read the full announcement which is available through the addresses listed below.

ADDRESSES: Applications, including all necessary forms can be downloaded from the Head Start web site at www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/hsb. The web site also contains a listing of all Head Start and Early Head Start programs. Hard copies of the application may be obtained by writing or calling the Operations Center or sending an email to hsr@lcn.net.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: ACYF Operations Center at: 1815 N.

Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22209 or (1-800) 351-2293.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Priority Areas

Priority Area 1.01 University-Head Start Partnerships

Eligible Applicants: Universities and four-year colleges on behalf of a faculty member who holds a doctorate or equivalent in their respective field.

Project Duration: The announcement for Priority Area 1.01 is soliciting applications for project periods of three years, with the first year as a planning grant which will be used to pilot instruments or interventions. Awards, on a competitive basis, will be for the first one-year planning budget period. Applications for continuation funds under these awards beyond the first-year budget period, but within the established project period, will be entertained in subsequent years on a non-competitive basis, subject to availability of funds, satisfactory progress of the grantee, and a determination that continued funding would be in the best interests of the Government.

Federal Share of Project Costs: The maximum Federal share is \$75,000 for the first-year budget period. The Federal share for the subsequent years is approximately \$150,000 for each year of the project period. The Federal Share is inclusive of indirect costs.

Matching Requirements: There are no matching requirements.

Anticipated Number of Projects To Be Funded: It is anticipated that 4-8 projects will be funded.

Priority Area 1.02 Master's-Level and Doctoral Head Start Research Grants

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education on behalf of graduate

students at both the Master's and Doctorate levels. Doctoral students must have completed their Master's degree or equivalent in that field prior to applying for this grant or by the time grants are awarded, and have sent formal notification of having been granted the degree to ACYF. To be eligible to administer the grant on behalf of the student, the institution must be fully accredited by one of the regional accrediting commissions recognized by the Department of Education and the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation. In addition, the specific graduate student on whose behalf the application is made must be identified.

Project Duration: The announcement for Priority Area 1.02 is soliciting applications for project periods up to two years. Awards, on a competitive basis, will be for a one-year budget period, although project periods may be for two years. It should be noted, that if the graduate student, on whose behalf the university is applying, expects to receive a degree by the end of the first year budget period, the applicant should request a one-year project period only. A second year budget period will not be granted if the student has graduated by the end of the first year. If the student either graduates or leaves the program during the project or budget period, the grant cannot be transferred to another student and must be surrendered to the Government. Applications for continuation grants will be entertained in the subsequent year on a non-competitive basis, subject to availability of funds, satisfactory progress of the grantee and a determination that continued funding would be in the best interest of the Government.

Federal Share of Project Costs: The maximum Federal share shall range between \$10,000–\$20,000 for the first-year budget period or a maximum of \$40,000 for a two-year project period.

Matching Requirements: There are no matching requirements.

Anticipated Number of Projects To Be Funded: It is anticipated that between 5 and 10 projects will be funded with an unspecified mixture of master's-level and doctoral level applicants. No university will be funded for more than one candidate, unless there are no other approved applications. Applications from the master's-level students will be evaluated separately from the applications from doctoral-level students.

Criteria for Priority Areas 1.01 and 1.02

Reviewers will consider the following factors when assigning points.

1. **Results or Benefits Expected:** 25 points.

- The research questions are clearly stated.
- The extent to which the questions are of importance and relevance for low-income children's development and welfare.
- The extent to which the research study makes a significant contribution to the knowledge base.
- The extent to which the literature review is current and comprehensive and supports the need for the study, the questions to be addressed or the hypotheses to be tested.
- The extent to which the questions that will be addressed or the hypotheses that will be tested are sufficient for meeting the stated objectives.
- 2. **Approach:** 40 points.
- The extent to which the research design is appropriate and sufficient for addressing the questions of the study.
- The extent to which child outcomes are the major focus of the study.
- The extent to which the measures are direct measures of child outcomes.
- The extent to which the planned research specifies the measures to be used and the analyses to be conducted.
- The extent to which the planned measures are appropriate and sufficient for the questions of the study.
- The extent to which the planned measures and analyses both reflect knowledge and use of state-of-the-art measures and analytic techniques and advance the state-of-the-art.
- The extent to which the analytic techniques are appropriate for the question under consideration.
- The extent to which the proposed sample size is sufficient for the study.
- The scope of the project is reasonable for the funds available for these grants.
- The extent to which the planned approach reflects sufficient input from and partnership with the Head Start or Early Head Start program.
- 3. **Staff and Position Data:** 35 points.
- The extent to which the principal investigator (or for 1.02, the graduate student) and other key research staff possess the research expertise necessary to conduct the study as demonstrated in the application and information contained in their vitae.
- For Priority Area 1.01 the principal investigator(s) has earned a doctorate or equivalent in the relevant field and has first or second author publications in major research journals.
- The extent to which the proposed staff reflect an understanding of and sensitivity to the issues of working in a community setting and in partnership with Head Start/Early Head Start program staff and parents.
- The adequacy of the time devoted to this project by the principal

investigator and other key staff in order to ensure a high level of professional input and attention. For graduate students, the adequacy of the supervision provided by the graduate student's mentor.

Required Notification of the Single Point of Contact

This program is covered under Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs, and 45 CFR part 100, Intergovernmental Review of Department of Health and Human Services Program and Activities. Under the Order, States may design their own processes for reviewing and commenting on proposed Federal assistance under covered programs.

All States and Territories except Alabama, Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Palau, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and American Samoa have elected to participate in the Executive Order process and have established Single Points of Contact (SPOCs). Applicants from these twenty-three jurisdictions need take no action regarding E.O. 12372. Applicants for projects to be administered by Federally-recognized Indian Tribes are also exempt from the requirements of E.O. 12372. Otherwise, applicants should contact their SPOCs as soon as possible to alert them of the prospective applications and receive any necessary instructions. Applicants must submit any required material to the SPOCs as soon as possible so that the program office can obtain and review SPOC comments as part of the award process. It is imperative that the applicant submit all required materials, if any, to the SPOC and indicate the date of this submittal (or the date of contact if no submittal is required) on the Standard Form 424, item 16a.

When comments are submitted directly to ACF, they should be addressed to: William Wilson, Head Start Bureau, 330 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20447. Attn: Head-Start University Partnerships or Graduate Student Head Start Research. A list of the Single Points of Contact for each State and Territory can be found on the web site. <http://www.dhhs.gov/progorg/grantsnet/laws-reg/spoq0695.htm>.

Dated: November 3, 2000.

James A. Harrell,

Deputy Commissioner, Administration on Children, Youth, and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation; Grant to the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

AGENCY: Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Award announcement.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a noncompetitive grant award is being made to the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to develop a fifty-state survey of teen pregnancy prevention. This survey will also include three to four case studies of individual state efforts.

This 17-month project is being funded noncompetitively, because it is expected to provide valuable information useful to this Department and other practitioners regarding progress and state/community efforts to prevent teen pregnancy. The National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy is uniquely qualified to conduct the study because of its considerable experience and access to resources. The total cost of the project is \$150,496.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancye Campbell, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Phone: 202-401-5760.

Dated: November 2, 2000.

Howard Rolston,

Director, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Availability of a Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Administration on Children, Youth, and Families (ACYF), ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families has prepared a draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Revised General Administration Manual, HHS Part 30, Environmental Protection. The document assesses the environmental impacts of activities undertaken by the Head Start and Early Head Start grantees when purchasing, renovating or constructing child care facilities.

The Department of Health and Human Services has completed a review of the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment. A determination as to the finding of significant or non-significant impacts on the environment will not be made until at least 30 days from the publication of this notice.

DATES: Written comments on the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment should be received on or before December 11, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment may obtain a copy by writing to: Head Start PEA Team, The Mangi Environmental Group, 701 West Broad Street, Suite 205, Falls Church, Virginia 22046. Comments concerning the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment should be submitted to the Programmatic Environmental Team at the address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Klafehn, Acting Associate Commissioner, Head Start Bureau, Administration for Children, Youth and Families, P.O. Box 1182, Washington, D.C. 20013; (202) 205-8672.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Head Start and Early Head Start are authorized under the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9801 *et seq.*). It is a national program providing comprehensive developmental services to low-income preschool children, primarily age three to age of compulsory school attendance, and their families. To help enrolled children achieve their full potential, Head Start programs provide comprehensive health, nutritional, educational, social and 500 Head Start program grantees.

To improve the availability and quality of child care centers, the Head Start Act was amended in 1992 and again in 1994 authorizing the use of federal financial assistance to make payments for capital expenditures, such as expenditures for the purchase, construction and major renovations of Head Start and Early Head Start facilities. This authority is found in

Section 644 (f) and (g) of the Head Start Act.

In conformance with the Revised General Administration Manual, HHS Part 30, Environmental Protection, the Administration for Children and Families has conducted a Programmatic Environmental Assessment to determine if this federally funded activity would have a significant impact on the environment.

Dated: November 1, 2000.

Olivia A. Golden,

Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

[Program Announcement No. ACYF-PA-CCB 2001-01]

Native Hawaiian and Nonprofit American Indian Organization; Child Care Grants

AGENCY: Administration on Children and Families (ACYF), Administration for Children and Families, (ACF).

ACTION: Announcement of availability of competitive financial assistance for Native Hawaiian and Nonprofit American Indian Organization Child Care Grants.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this program announcement is to announce the availability of fiscal year 2001 Discretionary Funds, authorized under the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act (the Act), as amended, for child care grants to:

(1) A Native Hawaiian organization; and

(2) A private nonprofit organization established for the purpose of serving youth who are Indians or Native Hawaiians.

DATES: The closing date for submission of applications is January 8, 2001.

Mailing and Delivery Instructions: Mailed applications and applications hand delivered by applicants, applicant couriers, overnight/express mail couriers or any other method of hand delivery shall be considered as meeting an announced deadline if they are received on or before the deadline, at the: ACYF Operations Center, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22209, Telephone: 1-800-351-2293.

Applications may be hand delivered to the above address between the hours