

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****[Docket ID: DoD–2021–OS–0080]****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by November 24, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Angela Duncan, 571–372–7574, or whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Status of the Forces Survey of Active Duty Members; OMB Control Number 0704–SOFA.

Type of Request: Regular.
Number of Respondents: 16,500.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 16,500.
Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 4,125.
Needs and Uses: The Status of Forces Active Duty Survey (SOFS–A) is an annual DoD-wide large-scale survey of active duty members that is used in evaluating existing policies and programs, establishing baseline measures before implementing new policies and programs, and monitoring the progress of existing policies/programs. The survey assesses topics such as financial well-being, retention intention, stress, tempo, readiness, and suicide awareness. Data are aggregated by appropriate demographics, including Service, paygrade, gender, race/ethnicity, and other indicators. In order to be able to meet reporting requirements for DoD leadership, the Military Services, and Congress, the survey needs to be completed by winter

2021. The legal requirements for the SOFS–A can be found in the FY2016 NDAA, Title VI, Subtitle F, Subpart 661. This legal requirement mandates that the SOFS–A solicit information on financial literacy and preparedness. Results will be used by the Service Secretaries to evaluate and update financial literacy training and will be submitted in a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number, and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DOD Clearance Officer: Ms. Angela Duncan.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Duncan at whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

Dated: October 20, 2021.

Kayyonne T. Marston,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****[Docket ID: DoD–2021–OS–0104]****Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness announces a proposed public information

collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 27, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the COVID–19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to Defense Human Resources Activity, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 08F05 Alexandria, VA 22350, LaTarsha Yeargins, 571–372–2089.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Officer Retention and Promotion Barrier Analysis; OMB Control Number 0704–0609.

Needs and Uses: The Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 (FY21) National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) (Section 551) requires DoD to conduct a barrier analysis to review demographic diversity patterns across the military life cycle, starting with enlistment or accession into the armed forces in order to: (i) Identify barriers to increasing

diversity; (ii) develop and implement plans and processes to resolve or eliminate any barriers to diversity; and (iii) review the progress of the armed forces in implementing previous plans and processes to resolve or eliminate barriers to diversity. This information collection will support the Office for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ODEI) and DoD to contextualize quantitative data obtained via the DoD Total Force Demographics application and collect as part of the FY21 Officer Cohort Analysis and respond to Executive Order (E.O.) Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government E.O. 13985.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 500 hours.

Number of Respondents: 340.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 340.

Average Burden per Response: 88 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

Dated: October 20, 2021.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2021-OS-0110]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 27, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation, 2231 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202 ATTN: Mr. James Holland or call 703-697-2188.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB

Number: Defense Community Infrastructure Program Grant Proposals; OMB Control Number 0704-0607.

Needs and Uses: Section 2391(d) of Title 10, United States Code (10 U.S.C. 2391), authorizes the Secretary of Defense to, "make grants, conclude cooperative agreements, and supplement funds available under Federal programs administered by agencies other than the Department of Defense, for projects owned by a State or local government, or a not-for-profit, member-owned utility service to address deficiencies in community infrastructure supportive of a military installation."

The Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Pub. L. 116-260) provides \$60 million to the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation (OLDCC) for the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP). This information collection supports the awarding of grants under DCIP via the initial grant proposal package prepared in accordance to a Federal Funding Opportunity Announcement posted on the *Grants.gov* website. The criteria established for the selection of community infrastructure projects

reflects projects consisting of some combination of attributes that will enhance: (i) Military value; (ii) military installation resilience; and/or, (iii) military family quality of life at a military installation.

Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government; Not-for-profit Institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,250.

Number of Respondents: 150.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 150.

Average Burden per Response: 15 hours.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondents will be State or local governments and not-for-profit, member-owned utility services owning infrastructure outside of, but supporting, a military installation. A Proposal Package shall include the following information: Point of contact; summary of installation need; letter of endorsement from the Commander of the local installation; description of the proposed project with explanation of how it addresses the installation need; demonstration of the technical feasibility of the project; identification of other parties involved in the project; overview and commitment of all funding sources; uses of project funding, including a total project cost estimate with major cost elements broken out for project administration, inspection, construction, utilities, and contingency costs; project schedule demonstrating that the project can commence within 12 months upon receipt of a grant and that the grant funds will be spent steadily and expeditiously once the project commences, and completed no later than 5 years following the obligation of Federal funds; Environmental Approvals; State and Local Planning (if applicable); Evidence of the intended recipient's ability and authority to manage grants; Documentation that the Submitting Official is authorized by the proposer to submit a proposal and subsequently apply for assistance; and National Security Waiver Attestation (if appropriate).

Dated: October 20, 2021.

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