

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Employment & Training Administration
Solicitation for Grant Applications
[SGA/DFA PY 13-04]**

Amendment One

YouthBuild

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Department of Labor

ACTION: Notice: Amendment to SGA/DFA PY 13-04

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration announced on February 18, 2014 the availability of funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) for YouthBuild grants to be awarded through a competitive process. This amendment to the SGA adds a new section (Section III.C.4) entitled Additional Grant Specifications and revises Section IV.B.4.

The document is hereby amended as follows:

New SGA Section: Section III.C.4. Additional Grant Specifications (shown below)

a. Cost per Participant

The Department expects that the annual cost per participant will be between \$15,000 and \$18,000, and must not be higher than \$18,000. The expected cost per participant is calculated by dividing the total DOL grant award by the number of participants to be enrolled. The projected enrollment described in the application is not binding on DOL. At the time of grant award, DOL will inform grantees of expected enrollment goals, based on the cost per participant parameters specified above, as well as expected outcomes as determined by DOL. DOL reserves the right to set expected performance outcomes at a later date.

b. Program Safety

YouthBuild projects must follow OSHA guidelines in the operation of their construction projects and other skills training that is offered. YouthBuild grantees must submit incident reports to DOL of injuries occurring on worksites or other training venues. YouthBuild grantees must provide comprehensive, documented safety training to participants in each industry for which occupational skills training is provided. Grantees must: (a) ensure that YouthBuild participants demonstrate knowledge of and proficiency in hazard identification, abatement, and safe work practices; (b) demonstrate compliance with Federal and state child labor laws and occupational safety and health regulations; (c) provide necessary personal protective equipment to youth working on YouthBuild projects; and (d) report to DOL all worksite injuries to youth working on YouthBuild projects, along with documentation on

remedial measures to prevent future similar injuries and help ensure that YouthBuild is a model program that takes active steps for participant safety and health.

c. Fair Housing

As a Federal agency, DOL has a statutory duty to affirmatively further fair housing. DOL requires the same of its funding recipients under this solicitation. Grantees will have a duty to affirmatively further fair housing opportunities for classes protected under the Fair Housing Act. Protected classes include race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, and familial status. The grantee must take specific steps to:

- Overcome the effects of impediments to fair housing choice that were identified in the Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice in the community to be served;
- Remedy discrimination in housing; and
- Promote fair housing rights and fair housing choice.

d. Travel and Technical Assistance

All applicants must include in their budget funds to cover travel to DOL-sponsored technical assistance training events. Appropriate YouthBuild program staff must attend at least three DOL-sponsored events (not to be confused with events sponsored by YouthBuild USA) for each year of program operation. This would include one national learning exchange normally offered once in the fall and once in the spring; one regional peer-to-peer training event which will be held in the city where ETA's regional office for that grantee's region is located (see <http://www.doleta.gov/regions>); and one DOL multi-site gathering. Grantees must send multiple levels of staff to specialized training that is offered either at learning exchanges or in specific training programs. These are important professional development opportunities for program staff. For example, the Department offers construction training certification several times a year in various locations across the country. In addition to sending the construction supervisor, grantees may consider sending the classroom instructor(s) as well, to create stronger connections between educational and construction components of YouthBuild programs. Funds must also be included for staff to attend Management Information System (JMIS) training and grantee orientation, if needed. Applicants may also budget grant funds for participation in other non-DOL sponsored events, such as those sponsored by YouthBuild USA or other government or non-governmental entities. Travel outside of DOL-sponsored events must also be appropriate and provide a direct benefit to the program.

Section IV.B.4. Attachments to the Project Narrative (new language in bold)

Old Text:

- a. **Abstract:** All applicants must submit an up to two-page abstract summarizing the proposed project, including, but not limited to, the scope of the project and proposed outcomes. The proposed project must include the applicant's name, project title, a description of the area to

be served, projected enrollment for each year, the industries to be targeted by the project for Category A applicants choosing Construction Plus, collaborators, the matching amount and source, and the funding level requested. The Abstract is limited to two-page double-spaced single sided 8.5x11 inch pages with Times New Roman 12 point text font and 1 inch margins. The abstract must note whether the application is being submitted as an urban, rural, or Native American application. It should also indicate if the applicant is a Category A or Category B Applicant. Additionally, the abstract must include an acknowledgement of the applicant's designation as a Promise Zone or member of a Promise Zone collaboration. For more information about Promise Zones go to www.HUD.gov/promisezones. If using grants.gov for submission, this document must be attached under the Mandatory Other Attachment section and labeled "Abstract."

New Text:

- a. Abstract:** All applicants must submit an up to two-page abstract summarizing the proposed project, including, but not limited to, the scope of the project and proposed outcomes. The proposed project must include the applicant's name, project title, a description of the area to be served, projected enrollment for each year, the industries to be targeted by the project for Category A applicants choosing Construction Plus, collaborators, the matching amount and source, and the funding level requested. The Abstract is limited to two-page double-spaced single sided 8.5x11 inch pages with Times New Roman 12 point text font and 1 inch margins. The abstract must note whether the application is being submitted as an urban, rural, or Native American application. It should also indicate if the applicant is a Category A or Category B Applicant. Additionally, the abstract must include an acknowledgement of the applicant's designation as a Promise Zone or member of a Promise Zone collaboration, *if applicable*. For more information about Promise Zones go to www.HUD.gov/promisezones. If using grants.gov for submission, this document must be attached under the Mandatory Other Attachment section and labeled "Abstract."

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