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Notice of the Fiscal Year 1996 Missing and Exploited Children's Program Final Program Plan and Announcement of Discretionary Competitive Assistance Grant; Correction; Deadline Extension

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Justice.

ACTION: The notice extends the due date for applications until 5:00 p.m. March 14, 1997 and corrects the address for obtaining the Application Kit.

SUMMARY: This is a correction and revision to 61 FR 65436, December 12, 1996.

DATES: The due date for submission of applications is extended to March 14, 1997. All applications must be received by mail or delivered to Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Missing and Exploited Children's Program by 5 p.m. e.s.t., March 14, 1997. Applications received after the deadline date will not be considered.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be mailed or delivered to Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Missing and Exploited Children's Program, 633 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Room 550, Washington D.C. 20531. Applications Kits can be obtained by contacting the Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 6000, Rockville, Maryland 20849-6000 or at 1-800-638-8736.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shay Bilchik, Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 633 Indiana Avenue, N.W., 7th Floor, Washington, D.C., 20531. For copies of the original solicitation for applications, refer to Federal Register, Vol. 61, No. 240, December 12, 1996. An application kit and supplemental information relevant to the program, can be obtained by calling the Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse, toll free, 24 hours a day, (800) 638-8736.

Dated: January 10, 1997.

Shay Bilchik,

Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training Administration****Job Training Partnership Act: Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Programs; Proposed Allocation Formula**

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of a proposed updated allocation formula described herein, and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration is publishing a notice of a description of and rationale for a new allocation formula for the Job Training Partnership Section 402 migrant and seasonal farmworker programs, and a presentation of preliminary State planning estimates derived therefrom for Program Year (PY) 1997 (July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998). Public comment is requested.

DATES: Written comments on this notice are invited and must be received on or before March 3, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments shall be submitted to Director, Office of Special Targeted Programs, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-4641, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Charles C. Kane, Chief, Division of Seasonal Farmworker Programs. Telephone: (202) 219-5500 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: <kanec@doleta.gov>.

I. Introduction, Scope and Purpose of Notice

This notice is published pursuant to Section 162(d) of the Act, which states:

Whenever the Secretary utilizes a formula to allot or allocate funds made available for distribution at the Secretary's discretion under this Act, the Secretary shall, not later than 30 days prior to such allotment or allocation, publish such formula in the Federal Register for comments along with the rationale for the formula and the proposed amounts to be distributed to each State and area. After consideration of any comments received, the Secretary shall publish final allotments and allocations in the Federal Register.

Thus, this notice represents the first part of a two-stage process. Upon receipt of comments from the public regarding this notice, modifications to the proposed formula and preliminary planning estimates will be considered. In the second stage, the final formula

and planning estimates will be published in the Federal Register.

The formula is developed for the purpose of distributing funds geographically by State service areas, on the basis of each State service area's relative share of persons eligible for the program. Beginning with PY 1997, a revised allocation formula is proposed which will update the allocation of funds among the States by using more current data on the distribution of the farmworker population. The revised formula is the result of work done by an Interagency Task Force on Farmworker Population Data (Task Force). The Task Force was convened by ETA in an effort to refine the allocation formula used since 1986.

Part II of this notice provides a discussion for public comment of the issues associated with farmworker population data, including: a description of available farmworker population data sources; a discussion of the factors affecting formula construction; and the rationale for the proposed formula.

Part III describes a hold-harmless provision which is proposed to be put into place for three years following the implementation of the revised allocation formula. The hold-harmless provision is designed to provide a staged transition from old to new funding levels for State service areas.

Part IV describes the proposed application of the formula and the hold-harmless provision using the PY 97 appropriation. These results are presented in a Table appended to this notice.

II. Description of Proposed Allocation Formula**A. Interagency Task Force on Farmworker Population Data**

In April 1994, a special task force was convened to explore options for revising the existing formula and its data bases. The Interagency Task Force on Farmworker Population Data consisted of specialists in the fields of demography, economics, sociology, survey research, statistics; an employment and training programs specialist; and a representative of JTPA Section 402 grantees. Staff from ETA, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Economic Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the Bureau of the Census of the U.S. Department of Commerce were represented in this group. The Task Force was fortunate to include three members of the 1986 Interagency Task Force that developed the original allocation formula, which the proposed