

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Office of Justice Programs****Agency Information Collection
Activities: Proposed Collection;
Comment Request**

ACTION: Notice of information collection under review; (Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired), State Identification Systems Formula Grant Program Application Kit.

The Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with emergency review procedures of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. OMB approval has been requested by May 26, 1998. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. Comments should be directed to OMB, Office of Information Regulation Affairs, Attention: Mr. Dennis Marvich, (202) 395-3122, Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20530. During the first 60 days of this same review period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. All comments and suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, to include obtaining a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Margaret H. Shelko, (202) 515-6638, South Branch State and Local Assistance Division, Bureau of Justice Assistance, 810 7th Street, NW., Washington DC 20531.

Request written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection information. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Reinstatement of collection for which OMB Clearance has expired.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* State Identification Systems Formula Grant Program Application Kit.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* None. Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be as or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: State Government. Other: None. The State Identification Systems Formula Grant Program was authorized under the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 to make funds available to state governments to enhance identification systems of criminal justice agencies at the state and local level.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply:* The time burden of the 52 respondents to complete the survey's is 30 minutes per application.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The total annual hour burden to complete applications for the State Identification Systems Formula Grant Program is 26 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Ms. Brenda E. Dyer, Deputy Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: May 7, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**National Institute of Corrections****Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement**

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), National Institute of Corrections

(NIC) announces the availability of funds in FY 98 for a cooperative agreement to fund "The Management of Institution Mission Change" project. A similar announced project in FY 97 was not awarded.

PURPOSE: The National Institute of Corrections is seeking applications for a cooperative agreement to survey, identify, and research departments of corrections and individual prisons that have experienced significant mission change because of changing inmate profiles, crowding of prisons, elimination of programs and/or reduction of resources, change in staff to inmate ratios, and other factors. The methodology, processes, and strategies for successful management of mission change will be studied and documented. A report discussing the study and its findings will be submitted and presented in a forum for correctional leaders in which program strategies will be identified for addressing the mission change issue.

AUTHORITY: Public Law 93-415.

FUNDS AVAILABLE: The award will be limited to a maximum total of \$100,000 (direct and indirect costs) and project activity must be completed within 12 months of the date of award. Funds may not be used for construction, or to acquire or build real property. This project will be a collaborative venture with the NIC Prisons Division.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS: Applications must be received in NIC's Washington, D.C. office by 4:00 p.m., Eastern daylight savings time, Friday, July 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES AND FURTHER INFORMATION: Requests for the application kit, which includes further details on the project's objectives, etc., should be directed to Judy Evens, Cooperative Agreement Control Office, National Institute of Corrections, 320 First Street, N.W., Room 5007, Washington, D.C. 20534 or by calling 800-995-6423, ext. 159 or 202-307-3106, ext. 159. All technical and/or programmatic questions this announcement should be directed to Dick Franklin at the above address or by calling 800-995-6423 or 202-307-1300, ext. 145, or by E-mail via rfranklin@bop.gov.

REVIEW CONSIDERATIONS: Applications received under this announcement will be subjected to an NIC 3 to 5 member Peer Review Process.

NUMBER OF AWARDS: One (1).

NIC APPLICATION NUMBER: 97P07. This number should appear as a reference line in your cover letter and also in box 11 of Standard Form 424.