

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), GSA has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve a new information collection concerning Art In Architecture Program, National Artist Registry. The information collection was published in the Federal Register on January 12, 2000 at 65 FR 1898 allowing for a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received.

The Art in Architecture Program is the result of a policy decision made in January 1963 by GSA Administrator, Bernard L. Boudin, who had served on the Ad Hoc Committee on Federal Office Space in 1961–62.

The program has been modified over the years, most recently in 1996 when a renewed focus on commissioning works of art that are an integral part of the building's architecture and adjacent landscape was instituted. The program continues to commission works of art from living American artists. One half of one percent of the estimated construction cost of new or substantially renovated Federal buildings and U.S. courthouses is allocated for commissioning works of art.

DATES: Submit comments on or before April 19, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be submitted to Edward Springer, GSA Desk Officer, Room 3235, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503 and also may be submitted to Susan Harrison, Public Buildings Service, Historic Buildings and Arts, Room 2308, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Harrison, Public Buildings Service, Historic Buildings and Arts, Room 2308, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The Art in Architecture Program actively seeks to commission works from the full spectrum of American artists, and strives to promote new media and inventive solutions for public art. The GSA Form 7437, Art In Architecture Program National Artist Registry will be used to collect information from artists across the country to participate and to be considered for commissions.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 360; annual responses: 360; average hours per response: .15; burden hours: 90.

Copy of Proposal: A copy of this proposal may be obtained from the GSA

Acquisition Policy Division (MVP), Room 4011, GSA Building, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405.

Dated: March 13, 2000.

Sue McIver,

Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

The General Services Administration and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) intend to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement, in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, on the following project:

ATF National Headquarters, Washington, DC.

The ATF National Headquarters is currently located in leased space at 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW. and other leased space in the District of Columbia. The lease at 650 Massachusetts Avenue expires on September 30, 2000. The proposed project would consolidate ATF Headquarters operations and would improve the agency's ability to meet its missions. In addition, the Government would decrease operational expenditures by relocating from leased private office space to a Government-owned building.

This project will provide a new ATF National Headquarters with 325,000 gross square feet and parking for approximately 200 vehicles. The project is authorized to house approximately 1,100 ATF personnel.

Alternatives to be considered include:

- Construction of a new Federally-owned building on Square 710 at the intersection of New York and Florida Avenues, NE.
- Renovation of the Federally-owned Regional Office Building at 7th and D Streets, SW.
- No-Action Alternative under which ATF would remain in leased-space.

A Public Scoping Meeting has been scheduled for:

Wednesday, March 29, 2000, 7:00 p.m., Gallaudet University Kellogg Conference Center, 800 Florida Avenue, NE, Washington, DC. 20001.

GSA is requesting your input to ensure that all pertinent issues are addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). In addition, GSA is soliciting public comment on historic and archaeological resources under

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

In the interest of available time, each speaker will be asked to limit their oral comments to five (5) minutes. A short, formal presentation will precede the request for public comments. GSA and ATF representatives will be available at this meeting to receive comments from the public regarding issues of concern. It is important that Federal, state and city agencies, and interested individuals and groups take this opportunity to identify environmental concerns that should be addressed in the EIS.

Agencies and the general public are also invited and encouraged to provide written comment in addition to, or in lieu of, comments at the public meeting. To be most helpful, scoping comments should clearly described specific issues or topics which the commentator believes the EIS should address.

If you can not attend the Public Scoping Meeting, please send comments to the address below. All comments must be postmarked by April 24, 2000.

Mr. Dawud Abdur-Rahman, General Services Administration, National Capital Region, Public Buildings Service, Room 2021 WPC, 7th & D Streets, SW., Washington, DC 20407, Fax (202) 708–4964, E-mail: dawud.abdur-rahman@gsa.gov

Dated: March 13, 2000.

Arthur Turowski,

Deputy Assistant Regional Administrator, Public Buildings Service, GSA, National Capital Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 00054]

Information Interchange and Technical and Financial Assistance for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention; Notice of Availability of Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2000 funds for a cooperative agreement program for Information Interchange and Technical and Financial Assistance for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2010" priority area(s) of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection. The purpose of the program is

to continue supporting: an information exchange program among mayors and other local and State government officials concerning: HIV prevention; HIV prevention program and policy development; and the provision of technical and financial assistance to community-based organizations (CBOs), local and State health departments, and others involved in health promotion and disease prevention activities.

B. Eligible Applicants

Assistance will be provided only to the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM). No other applications are solicited.

Eligibility is limited to USCM since it provides representation from city and local officials, including social service, education, and other community officials and organizations, in approximately 1,000 cities with populations of more than 30,000 and, through its affiliate The United States Conference of Local Health Officials, provides representation from approximately 2,000 additional local health officials. USCM was created specifically to represent this wide variety of local organizations and community officials to the Federal government and other national organizations and is unique in its role as a liaison between these officials. It has served as a policy-development and capacity-building organization in intergovernmental affairs for more than 65 years and has as one of its major objectives the sharing of information between local governments.

Note: Public Law 104-65 states that an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that engages in lobbying activities is not eligible to receive Federal funds constituting an award, grant, cooperative agreement, contract, loan, or any other form.

C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$1,000,000 is available in FY 2000, to support an HIV prevention cooperative agreement with USCM. It is expected that the award will begin on or about May 1, 2000 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to 5 years. Funding estimates may change.

Continuation awards within an approved project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress as evidenced by required reports and the availability of funds.

Direct Assistance

You may request Federal personnel as direct assistance, in lieu of a portion of financial assistance.

Use of Funds

Funds may not be used to supplant or duplicate existing funding.

D. Program Requirements

In conducting activities to achieve the purpose of this program, the recipient shall be responsible for the activities under 1. "Recipient Activities," and CDC will be responsible for the activities listed under 2. "CDC Activities."

1. Recipient Activities

a. Collaborate with CDC in identifying those HIV prevention policies, practices, procedures, programs, and processes that have been demonstrated to be effective.

b. Disseminate to local government officials, health departments, CBOs, and others, effective HIV/AIDS prevention-related policies, practices, procedures, programs, processes, materials and related items, as well as technical and practical information warranted by new epidemiological, behavioral, or clinical discoveries. Use existing information vehicles, *e.g.*, information exchange newsletters, capsule and technical assistance reports, case studies, information alerts, directories, conferences, workshops, and HIV/AIDS-related telecommunications networks. This activity should include assisting mayors in mid-to-high HIV/AIDS incidence areas in identifying mechanisms to incorporate HIV prevention into their short-and long-range plans.

c. Compete, objectively review applications, award, and announce funding given to local health departments (LHDs) and CBOs working collaboratively to conduct HIV prevention needs assessments or implementation of high priority HIV prevention activities. Except in the case of non-competing continuation awards, efforts should be made to avoid funding the same localities and agencies during subsequent funding cycles.

d. Provide technical assistance to funded and unfunded LHDs and CBOs on HIV prevention program and management issues such as: fiscal accounting systems, grant writing, educational material development, and program development, implementation, and evaluation.

e. Conduct assessments of HIV prevention programs, resources, and capacities and report findings in case studies.

f. Develop case studies that will enable: Community Planning Groups (CPGs), LHDs and CBOs to benefit from the experience of other organizations in the planning, development,

implementation, and evaluation of HIV prevention planning processes, needs assessments, programs and related activities.

g. Prepare abstracts, posters, and oral presentations and articles for publication in peer-reviewed journals.

h. Obtain information and materials through surveys of cities, local school districts and health departments, other local government agencies, CBOs, CPGs, and other community entities concerning HIV/AIDS prevention-related funding, policies, practices, procedures, programs, and processes.

i. Evaluate impact of outreach to mayors.

2. CDC Activities

a. Collaborate in the development of a dissemination plan so that practical and technical information related to HIV/AIDS prevention can be rapidly shared with the appropriate government and health department officials, as well as CBOs and CPGs.

b. Identify: (1) HIV prevention-related policies, practices, procedures, community needs and processes; (2) local health education/risk reduction programs that have demonstrated the capability to successfully serve the needs of people with AIDS or HIV infection, sex and needle-sharing partners, high-risk populations, health-care providers, or the general public; and (3) other local HIV prevention-related efforts (*e.g.* community planning or peer youth education) that offer valuable lessons to benefit others.

c. Collaborate in the planning of all USCM workshops, conferences and other professional gatherings that are determined to serve a large public health purpose, and provide speakers for meetings that are national in scope.

d. Give technical feedback to USCM on drafts of all HIV-related materials intended for dissemination.

e. Collaborate in the analysis and presentation of all material for publication.

f. Identify community planning groups in need of fiscal services.

E. Application Content

Use the information in the Program Requirements, Other Requirements, and Evaluation Criteria sections to develop the application content. Your application will be evaluated on the criteria listed, so it is important to follow them in laying out your program plan. Provide a detailed plan for activities for the initial budget period and a more general plan for activities in years 2 through 5 of the project period. Specifically:

1. Describe the need for and a plan to address the required recipient activities.

2. Provide realistic, measurable, and time-phased objectives that are related to the purpose of this program and the Healthy People: 2010 national objectives. Provide both budget (1-year) and project (5-year) period objectives.

3. Describe the activities that will be carried out to accomplish the proposed objectives.

4. Provide a plan of evaluation that addresses each of the objectives and activities. Indicate how the evaluation findings will be used in program planning and decision making.

5. Provide a line item budget and justification that is consistent with the purpose of this program and the proposal submitted.

The narrative should be no more than 20 double-spaced pages, printed on one side, with one inch margins, and unreduced font.

Direct Assistance

To request new direct-assistance assignees, include:

A. number of assignees requested;
B. description of the position and proposed duties;

C. ability or inability to hire locally with financial assistance;

D. justification for request;

E. organizational chart and name of intended supervisor;

F. opportunities for training, education, and work experiences for assignees; and

G. description of assignee's access to computer equipment for communication with CDC (e.g., personal computer at home, personal computer at workstation, shared computer at workstation on site, shared computer at a central office).

F. Submission and Deadline

Application

Submit the original and two copies of PHS 5161-1 (OMB Number 0937-0189). Forms are in the application kit. On or before March 24, 2000, submit the application to the Grants Management Specialist identified in the "Where to Obtain Additional Information" section of this announcement.

Deadline: Applications shall be considered as meeting the deadline if they are either:

(a) Received on or before the deadline date; or

(b) Sent on or before the deadline date and received in time for submission to the independent review group. (Applicants must request a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark or obtain a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier or U.S. Postal Service. Private metered postmarks shall

not be acceptable as proof of timely mailing.)

Late Applications: Applications which do not meet the criteria in (a) or (b) above are considered late applications, will not be considered, and will be returned to the applicant.

G. Evaluation Criteria

Each application will be evaluated individually against the following criteria by an independent review group appointed by CDC:

1. The extent to which the applicant has described its ability to conduct HIV prevention activities and programs. (25 points)

2. The extent to which the application includes an achievable plan, with specific, measurable, and attainable objectives, for conducting project activities as described under the section "Program Requirements, 1. Recipient Activities." (25 points)

3. The extent to which the application includes reasonable and appropriate methods for evaluating the project's effectiveness. (40 points)

4. The extent to which the applicant demonstrates the existence and use of organizational policies and procedures requiring the hiring, training and assigning of qualified personnel to conduct and manage project activities. (10 points)

In addition, the budget will be evaluated (but not scored) to determine if it is reasonable, clearly justifiable, and consistent with the intended use of funds.

H. Other Requirements

Technical Reporting Requirements

Provide CDC with original plus two copies of

1. Progress reports, annual;
2. Financial status report, no more than 90 days after the end of the budget period; and

3. Final financial status and performance reports, no more than 90 days after the end of the project period.

Send all reports to the Grants Management Specialist identified in the "Where to Obtain Additional Information" section of this announcement.

The following additional requirements are applicable to this program. For a complete description of each, see Attachment I in the application kit.

AR-5 HIV Program Review Panel Requirements

AR-9 Paperwork Reduction Act Requirements

AR-10 Smoke-Free Workplace Requirements

AR-11 Healthy People 2010

AR-12 Lobbying Restrictions

AR-14 Accounting System Requirements

AR-20 Conference Support

I. Authority and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

This program is authorized under sections 301(a) and 317 of the Public Health Service Act, [42 U.S.C. sections 241(a) and 247(b)]. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.939, HIV Prevention Activities—Non-Governmental Organizations.

J. Where to Obtain Additional Information

To receive additional written information and to request an application kit, call 1-888-GRANTS4 (1-888 472-6874). You will be asked to leave your name and address and will be instructed to identify the Announcement number of interest.

If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from: Sharon Robertson, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Announcement Number [00054], Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 2920 Brandywine Road, Room 3000, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-2782, E-mail: sqr2@cdc.gov.

Access to this and all other CDC program announcements are available on the CDC home page on the Internet: <http://www.cdc.gov>.

For program technical assistance, contact: Mr. David Brownell, National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road N.W., Mailstop E-35, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, Telephone: (404) 639-5200, Email: dfb2@cdc.gov.

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