

Total Responses: 26,660.
 Estimated Total Burden Hours: 6,705.
 Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$11,100.

Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Injury or Occupational Illness (CA-721); Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Death (CA-722)

I. Background

The Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA) provides, under 5 U.S.C. 8191, et. seq., that non-Federal law enforcement officers injured or killed under certain circumstances are entitled to the benefits of the Act, to the same extent as if they were employees of the Federal government. The CA-721 and CA-722 are used by non-Federal law enforcement officers and their survivors to claim compensation under the FECA. Form CA-721 is used for claims for injury and

Form CA-722 is used for claims for death.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;
- 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;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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 submissions of responses.

III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval of this information collection in order to determine eligibility for benefits.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Injury or Occupational Disease (CA-721); Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Death (CA-722).

OMB Number: 1215-0116.

Agency Number: CA-721; CA-722.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Frequency: On occasion.

Form	Total respondents	Average time per response	Burden hours
CA-721	8	1 hour	8
CA-722	15	1.5 hours	23

Total Responses: 23.
 Estimated Total Burden Hours: 31.
 Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$8.51.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 10, 2001.

Margaret J. Sherrill,

Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Obligations of Federal Contractors and Subcontractors; Notice of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees

AGENCY: Employment Standards Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Interim Procedural Notice.

SUMMARY: The Employment Standards Administration (ESA) is issuing this interim procedural notice to assist federal contractors and subcontractors in meeting their obligations under Executive Order 13201 (66 FR 11221, February 22, 2001) issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, including the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act, 40 U.S.C. 471 *et seq.* and in order to ensure the economical and efficient administration and completion of Government contracts.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 18, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Don Todd, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Labor-Management Standards, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room S2321, Washington, DC 20210 at (202) 693-0200 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with hearing impairments may call 1-800-877-8339 (TTY/TDD).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This interim procedural notice is intended to provide guidance during the period between the April 18, 2001 effective date of the Order and the date ESA issues a final rule implementing the Order to employers who, on or after April 18, 2001, enter into a federal contract other than collective bargaining agreements as defined in 5 U.S.C.

7103(a)(8) and purchases under the "Simplified Acquisition Threshold" as defined in the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 403). During this interim period, such employers may fulfill their posting obligations under the Order by replicating the text of the Employee Notice which is set forth below and posting it in conspicuous places in and about their plants and offices, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. Executive Order 13201 also requires federal contractors and subcontractors to include a clause in federally connected subcontracts and purchase orders requiring subcontractors and vendors to post the notice. Following is the text of the required Notice:

Notice to Employees

Under Federal law, employees cannot be required to join a union or maintain membership in a union in order to retain their jobs. Under certain conditions, the law permits a union and an employer to enter into a union-security agreement requiring employees to pay uniform periodic dues and initiation fees. However, employees who are not union members can object to the use of their payments for certain purposes and can only be required to pay their share of union costs relating to collecting bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment.

If you do not want to pay that portion of dues or fees used to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you are entitled to an appropriate reduction in your payment. If you believe that you have been required to pay dues or fees used in part to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you may be entitled to a refund and to an appropriate reduction in future payments.

For further information concerning your rights, you may wish to contact the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) either at one of its Regional offices or at the following address: National Labor Relations Board, Division of Information, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20570.

To locate the nearest NLRB office, see NLRB's website at www.nlrb.gov.

The last sentence of the Notice, however, shall be omitted in notices posted in the plants or offices of carriers subject to the Railway Labor Act, as amended (45 U.S.C. 152 *et seq.*).

Regulatory Procedures

Executive Order 12866

The Department of Labor has determined that this notice is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866 because this action will not: (1) Have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more, or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities; (2) create a serious inconsistency, or otherwise interfere, with an action taken or planned by another agency; (3) materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs, or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or (4) raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in Executive Order 12866. Therefore, a regulatory impact analysis is unnecessary.

Congressional Review Act

This notice is not a major rule for purposes of the Congressional Review Act.

Unfunded Mandates

Executive Order 12875—This notice does not create an unfunded Federal Mandate upon any State, local, or tribal government.

Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995—This notice does not include any Federal mandate that may result in increased expenditures by State, local and tribal governments in the aggregate of \$100 million or more, or increased

expenditures by the private sector of \$100 million or more.

Executive Order 13132

This notice has been reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 13132 regarding Federalism. This notice will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, the requirements of section 6 of Executive Order 13132 do not apply to this notice.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

This notice does not substantially change the existing obligations of Federal contractors or subcontractors. The Department of Labor certifies that the notice will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small business entities. Therefore, no regulatory flexibility analysis is required.

Signed at Washington, DC this 13th day of April, 2001.

Joe N. Kennedy,

Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Susan Harwood Training Grant Program

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds and request for grant applications.

SUMMARY: The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) awards funds to nonprofit organizations to conduct safety and health training and education in the workplace. This notice announces grant availability for training in safety and health programs in construction; in ergonomics; in bloodborne pathogens; in electrical power generation, transmission and distribution; and for hard-to-reach workers. The notice describes the scope of the grant program and provides information about how to get detailed grant application instructions. Applications should not be submitted without the applicant first obtaining the detailed grant application instructions mentioned later in the notice.

Separate grant applications must be submitted by organizations interested in applying for more than one grant topic.

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 and the Consolidated Appropriations Act authorizes this program.

DATES: Applications must be received by June 15, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Submit grant applications to the OSHA Office of Training and Education, Division of Training and Educational Programs, 1555 Times Drive, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ronald Mouw, Deputy Director, Office of Training and Education, or Cynthia Bencheck, Program Analyst, OSHA Office of Training and Education, 1555 Times Drive, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018, telephone (847) 297-4810 (this is not a toll-free number), e-mail cindy.bencheck@osha.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

What is the Purpose of the Susan Harwood Training Grant Program?

OSHA's Strategic Plan contains strategic goals to improve workplace safety and health for all workers, change the workplace culture to increase employer and worker awareness of, commitment to, and involvement in safety and health, and to secure public confidence through excellence in the development and delivery of OSHA's programs and services. OSHA's intent is to reduce the number of worker injuries, illnesses and fatalities by focusing nationwide attention and Agency resources on the most prevalent types of workplace injuries and illnesses, the most hazardous industries, and the most hazardous workplaces. The Susan Harwood Training Grants Program is one of the mechanisms OSHA is using to achieve its strategic goals.

Information about OSHA's Strategic Plan is available on OSHA's web site at www.osha.gov in the About OSHA category.

Susan Harwood Training Grants provide funds to train workers and employers to recognize, avoid, and prevent safety and health hazards in their workplaces. The program emphasizes three areas.

- Educating workers and employers in small businesses. A small business has 250 or fewer workers.
- Training workers and employers about new OSHA standards.
- Training workers and employers about high risk activities or hazards identified by OSHA through its Strategic Plan, or as part of an OSHA special emphasis program.

Grantees are expected to provide occupational safety and health services and training, develop safety and health training and/or educational programs,