

who is given the authority and resources required.

**John T. Conway,**  
Chairman.

**APPENDIX—Transmittal Letter to the Secretary of Energy**

**DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD**

625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700,  
Washington, D.C. 20004-2901, (202) 694-7000

August 11, 1999.

*The Honorable Bill Richardson,*  
Secretary of Energy 1000 Independence  
Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-1000.

Dear Secretary Richardson: On August 11, 1999, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board), in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 2286a(5), unanimously approved Recommendation 99-1, which is enclosed for your consideration. Recommendation 99-1 deals with the safe storage of fissionable material called "pits."

41 U.S.C. 2286d(a) requires that after your receipt of this recommendation, the Board promptly make it available to the public in DOE's regional public reading rooms. The Board believes the recommendation contains no information that is classified or otherwise restricted. To the extent this recommendation does not include information restricted by DOE under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. 2161-68, as amended, please arrange to have it promptly placed on file in your regional public reading rooms.

The Board will also publish this recommendation in the **Federal Register**.

Sincerely,

**John T. Conway,**  
Chairman.

Enclosure

c: Mr. Mark B. Whitaker, Jr.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Team Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 27, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10235, New

Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Team Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: August 23, 1999.

**William E. Burrow,**

*Team Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

**Office of Postsecondary Education**

**Type of Review:** Reinstatement.

**Title:** Application for Grants under the Training Program for Federal TRIO Programs.

**Frequency:** Biennially.

**Affected Public:** Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

**Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:** Responses: 60.

Burden Hours: 2,040.

**Abstract:** The training program is mandated to provide training for staff and leadership personnel employed or preparing for employment in projects designed to identify individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. It will prepare them for a program of postsecondary education, and provide special services for such students pursuing programs of postsecondary education.

Comments regarding this package may be submitted to the following electronic mailbox: TRIO@ed.gov

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1890-0001). Therefore, this will be the only 30-day public comment notice for this collection.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[CFDA No.: 84.017A]

**Office of Postsecondary Education,  
International Research and Studies  
Program; Notice Inviting Applications  
for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY)  
2000**

**Purpose of Program:** The International Research and Studies Program provides grants to conduct research and studies to improve and strengthen instruction in modern foreign languages, area studies, and other international fields to provide full understanding of places in which the foreign languages are commonly used.

**Eligible Applicants:** Public and private agencies, organizations, and institutions, and individuals.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** October 29, 1999.

**Applications Available:** September 7, 1999.

**Available Funds:** The estimated amount of funds available for new awards is \$1,893,600, based on the Administration's request for FY 2000. The actual level of funding, if any, is contingent on final congressional action.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$50,000-\$150,000 per year.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$118,350 per year.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 16.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** Up to 36 months.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 80, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) the regulations in 34 CFR parts 655 and 660.

**For Applications or Information Contact:** Jose Martinez, U.S. Department of Education, International Education and Graduate Programs Service, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 600 Portals Building, Washington, DC 20202-5331. Mr. Martinez may be reached at e-mail address [jose.martinez@ed.gov](mailto:jose.martinez@ed.gov) or telephone: (202) 401-9784. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person specified in the preceding paragraph. Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format, also, by contacting that person. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

**Electronic Access to This Document:** You may view this document, as well as all other Department of Education documents published in the **Federal Register**, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) on the Internet at either of the following sites:

<http://ocfo.ed.gov/fedreg.htm>  
<http://www.ed.gov/news/html>

To use the PDF you must have the Adobe Acrobat Reader Program with Search, which is available free at either of the previous sites. If you have any questions about using the PDF, call the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) toll free, at 1-888-293-6498; or in the Washington, DC area, at (202) 512-1530.

**Note:** The official version of a document is the document published in the **Federal Register**. Free Internet access to the official edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations is available on GPO Access at:

<http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html>

**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 1125.

Dated: August 23, 1999.

**Claudio R. Prieto,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No.: 84.235H]

### Special Demonstration Programs Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

#### Purpose of Program

To provide financial assistance to projects that expand and improve the provision of rehabilitation and other services for individuals with disabilities.

#### Eligible Applicants

State vocational rehabilitation agencies; community rehabilitation programs; Indian tribes or tribal organizations; and public or nonprofit agencies or organizations, including institutions of higher education.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** February 4, 2000.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** April 4, 2000.

**Applications Available:** October 5, 1999.

**Available Funds:** \$3,800,000.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$200,000-\$275,000.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$250,000.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 14-16.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Maximum Award:** In no case does the Secretary make an award greater than \$275,000 for a single budget period of 12 months. The Secretary rejects and does not consider an application that proposes a budget exceeding this maximum amount.

**Project Period:** Up to 60 months.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR part 369.

#### Priorities

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) the Secretary is particularly interested in applications that meet one or more of the following invitational priorities. However, an application that meets one or more of these invitational priorities does not receive competitive or absolute preference over other applications:

**Invitational Priority 1—Special Demonstrations to Increase Employment Outcomes, Especially Self-Employment, Telecommuting, or Business Ownership, for American Indians With Disabilities Who Reside on or Near Reservations or in Urban Settings**

Projects that would increase the employment opportunities by providing vocational rehabilitation services to American Indians with disabilities. Projects that would provide services to American Indians, and may provide training and instruction to other nonprofit agencies to provide these services, to achieve vocational outcomes related to self-employment, telecommuting, or business ownership. Services may include, but are not limited to, technical assistance and other consultation services to conduct market analyses, develop business plans, and obtain loans, occupational licenses, tools, equipment, initial stocks and supplies for eligible individuals.

**Invitational Priority 2—Programs That Demonstrate Methods of Providing Affordable Transportation Services to Individuals With Disabilities**

Projects that would demonstrate methods of providing affordable transportation services to individuals with disabilities who are employed, seeking employment, or receiving vocational rehabilitation services from public or private organizations and who reside in geographic areas in which public transportation or paratransit service is not available.

**Invitational Priority 3—Projects Focusing on Career Advancement**

Projects that would demonstrate service delivery models that would further high quality employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities. Projects that would provide services, which may include, but is not limited to, training, education, counseling, placement, and follow-up activities that would allow the individuals with disabilities to possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete for jobs with the potential for career advancement and higher wages and benefits. Projects may also provide services to improve career advancement opportunities for individuals with disabilities who are employed.

#### Selection Criteria

In evaluating an application for a new grant under this competition, the Secretary uses selection criteria chosen from the general selection criteria in 34 CFR 75.210 of EDGAR. The selection criteria to be used for this competition will be provided in the application package for this competition.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pamela Martin or Alfreda Reeves, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3314, Switzer Building, Washington, DC. 20202-2650. Telephone: (202) 205-8494 or (202) 205-9361. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact persons listed in the preceding paragraph.

For Applications Contact: Education Publications Center (ED Pubs), P.O. Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398. Telephone (toll free): 1-877-433-7827. FAX: (301) 470-1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call (toll free): 1-877-