

individually, propose the use of subcontractors to undertake certain limited functions. It is essential that these applicants demonstrate the proven management capability and experience to ensure that, as lead agency, they will be directly accountable for the successful implementation, completion, and evaluation of the project.

3. Staff Capability (10 points)

Applications will be evaluated in terms of the degree to which:

a. The duties outlined for grant-funded positions appear appropriate to the work that will be conducted under the award. (5 points)

b. The qualifications of the grant-funded positions appear to match the requirements of these positions. (5 points)

Note: If the grant project manager or other member of the professional staff is to be hired later as part of the grant, or should there be any change in professional staff during the grant period, hiring is subject to review and approval by OSC at that time.

4. Previous Experience (20 points)

The proposals will be evaluated on the degree to which the applicant demonstrates that it has successfully carried out programs or work of a similar nature in the past.

Eligible Applicants: This grant competition is open to nonprofit organizations, including labor organizations, employer groups and state and local government agencies.

Grant Period and Award Amount: It is anticipated that several grants will be awarded and will range in size from \$40,000 to \$100,000.

Publication of this announcement does not require OSC to award any specific number of grants, or to obligate all or any part of available funds. The period of performance will be twelve months from the date of the grant award, in most cases beginning October 1, 2003.

Application Deadline: All applications must be received by 6 p.m. EDT, April 21, 2003. If using regular first-class mail, send to: U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20530. If using messengers, overnight or priority mail, send to: Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices, U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW., Suite 9000, Washington, DC 20005. Applications may not be submitted via facsimile machine.

Application Requirements: Applicants should submit an original

and two (2) copies of their completed proposal by the deadline established above. All submissions must contain the following items in the order listed below:

1. A completed and signed Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424). Note: The Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 16.110 and the title is "Education & Enforcement of the Antidiscrimination Provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act" (box #10 of the SF 424).

2. OJP Form 4061/6 (Certification Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements).

3. Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying (SF LLL).

4. OJP Form 4000/3 (Assurances).

5. An abstract of the full proposal, not to exceed one page.

6. A program narrative of not more than fifteen (15) double-spaced typed pages that includes the following:

a. A clear statement describing the approach and strategy to be used to complete the tasks identified in the program description;

b. A clear statement of the proposed goals and objectives, including a listing of the major events, activities, products and timetables for completion and the extent of OSC participation in grantee outreach events;

c. The proposed staffing plan. Note: If the grant project manager or other professional staff member is to be hired later as part of the grant, or should there be a change in professional staff, hiring is subject to review and approval by OSC at that time; and

d. Description of how the project will be evaluated.

7. A proposed budget outlining all direct and indirect costs for personnel, fringe benefits, travel, equipment, supplies, subcontracts, and a short narrative justification of each budgeted line item cost. If an indirect cost rate is used in the budget, then a copy of a current fully executed agreement between the applicant and the cognizant Federal agency must accompany the budget. Note: Program budgets must include the travel, lodging and other expenses necessary for *not more* than two program staff members to attend the mandatory OSC grantee training (2 days) held in Washington, DC at the beginning of the grant period (late Autumn).

8. Copies of resumes of the professional staff proposed in the budget.

Application forms may be obtained by writing or telephoning: U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Office

of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20530. Tel. (202) 616-5594, or (202) 616-5525 (TDD for the hearing impaired). This announcement and the required forms will also appear on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/osc/>. In order to facilitate handling, please do not use covers, binders or tabs.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

Under 28 C.F.R. 50.7, notice is hereby given that on February 14, 2003, a proposed consent decree ("consent decree") in *United States v. Chicago Specialties, L.L.C.*, Civil Action No. 03C 0864, was lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. This consent decree resolves claims against Chicago Specialties, L.L.C., for violations of the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

In this action the United States sought penalties and injunctive relief for violations under the Clean Air Act of the Illinois State Implementation Plan (the "SIP"), violations of the National Emission Standards for Organic Hazardous Air Pollutants from the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturing Industry ("HON" or "HON regulations"), 40 CFR part 63, subparts F, G and H, violations of the Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasures ("SPCC") standards, 40 CFR 112.7, and violations of RCRA waste-handling and record-keeping requirements in Illinois' EPA-authorized program. Under the terms of the consent decrees, Chicago Specialties agrees to shutdown its paracresol process, perform supplemental environmental projects (SEPs) valued at \$310,000, pay \$100,000 in civil penalties (half to the United States and half to the State of Illinois) and reimburse the State of Illinois for \$71,000 in costs incurred in connection with the Facility. The decision to shutdown the paracresol process was a business decision made by Chicago Specialties, as an alternative to installing pollution controls.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of 30 days from the date of this publication comments relating to the consent decrees. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. Chicago Specialties, L.L.C.*, Civil Action No. 03 C 0864, D.J. Ref. 90-5-2-1-06918.

The consent decrees may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 219 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois 60604, and at U.S. EPA Region V, 77 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604. During the public comment period, the consent decree may also be examined on the following Department of Justice website, <http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/open.html>. A copy of the consent decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611 or by faxing or e-mailing a request to Tonia Fleetwood (tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov), fax no (202) 514-0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514-1547. In requesting a copy of the consent decree, please enclose a check in the amount of \$53.50 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the U.S. Treasury for the consent decree with attachments, or \$11.00 for the consent decree without attachments.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Veterans' Employment and Training Service

Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) Competitive Grants for PY 2003

AGENCY: Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds and solicitation for grant applications (SGA) for Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Programs (SGA 03-02).

SUMMARY: *This competition is targeting eligible applicants that have not received HVRP or Veterans' Workforce Investment Program (VWIP) Funds. All applicants for grant funds should read this notice in its entirety. The U.S. Department of Labor, Veterans'*

Employment and Training Service (VETS), announces a grant competition for Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Programs (HVRP) authorized under the Homeless Veterans Comprehensive Assistance Act of 2001 (HVCAA). This notice contains all of the necessary information and forms needed to apply for grant funding. Applicants should design programs to assist eligible veterans who are homeless by providing employment, training, support services and assistance. Under this solicitation, the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training (ASVET) is making approximately \$1.0 million of funds available and expects to award up to five (5) grants in PY 2003. The HVRP program is designed to be flexible in addressing the universal as well as local or regional problems barring homeless veterans from the workforce. VETS in Program Year (PY) 2003 will continue to seek applicants that provide direct services through a case management approach, link with Federal, State and Local resources for homeless veterans and have clear strategies for employment and retention of the homeless.

DATES: Applications are to be submitted, including those hand delivered, to the address below by no later than 4:45 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, April 21, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be directed to the U.S. Department of Labor, Procurement Services Center, Attention: Cassandra Willis, Reference SGA 03-02, Room N-5416, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

FORMS OR AMENDMENTS: If another copy of a Standard form is needed, go online to <http://www.nara.gov>.

To receive amendments to this Solicitation (Please reference SGA 03-02), all applicants must register their name and address with the Grant Officer at the following address:

U.S. Department of Labor,
Procurement Services Center, Room N-5416, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: All applicants are advised that U.S. mail delivery in the Washington, DC area has been erratic due to the concerns involving anthrax contamination. All applicants must take this into consideration when preparing to meet the application deadline.

It is recommended that you confirm receipt of your application by contacting Cassandra Willis, U.S. Department of Labor, Procurement Services Center, telephone (202) 693-4570, prior to the closing deadline.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 5 of the Homeless Veterans' Comprehensive Assistance Act of 2001 (HVCAA) amended the Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Programs at 38 U.S.C. § 2021, and provides "the Secretary * * * shall conduct, directly or through grant or contract, such programs as the Secretary determines appropriate to provide job training, counseling, and placement services (including job readiness and literacy and skills training) to expedite the reintegration of homeless veterans into the labor force."

The Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) was the first nationwide Federal program that focused on placing homeless veterans into jobs. Both types of programs, urban and non-urban, in the past have provided valuable information on approaches that work in the different environments.

In accordance with the HVCAA, the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training (ASVET) is making approximately \$1.0 million of the funds available to award up to 5 grants to eligible applicants that have not previously received HVRP grants.

The Department has published SGAs for urban and non-urban HVRP grants at the same time. Applicants who have not previously received HVRP grants also may apply for those SGAs.

II. Application Process

A. Potential Jurisdictions To Be Served

Both urban and non-urban areas within the United States and its territories are eligible jurisdictions to receive services under this competition. Urban areas are defined as the metropolitan areas of the 75 U.S. cities largest in population and the city of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Non-urban areas are defined as the geographic areas outside of the metropolitan areas of the 75 U.S. cities largest in population and the city of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Applicants must identify whether they are applying for an urban or non-urban grant award. Please be advised that urban requests exceeding the \$300,000 and non-urban requests exceeding \$200,000 will be considered non-responsive.

B. Eligible Applicants

Entities that have *not* previously operated a HVRP or VWIP and have a proven capacity to manage grants and have or will provide the necessary linkages with other service providers are encouraged to apply. Applications for funds will be accepted from State and