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- (1) The budget is adequate to support the project;
- (2) Costs are reasonable in relation to the objectives of the project; and
- (3) The applicant demonstrates the cost-effectiveness of project services in comparison with alternative services and programs available to older individuals who are blind.
- (e) Evaluation plan (5 points). The Secretary reviews each application to determine the quality of the evaluation plan for the project, including the extent to which the applicant's methods of evaluation—
- (1) Accurately evaluate the success and cost-effectiveness of the project;
- (2) Are objective and produce data that are quantifiable; and
- (3) Will determine how successful the project is in meeting its goals and objectives.
- (4) (Cross-reference: See 34 CFR 75.590.)
- (f) Adequacy of resources (5 points). The Secretary reviews each application to determine the adequacy of the resources that the applicant plans to devote to the project, including accessibility of facilities, equipment, and supplies.
- (g) Service comprehensiveness (20 points). (1) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the extent to which the proposed outreach activities promote maximum participation of the target population within the geographic area served by the project.
- (2) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the extent to which the DSA addresses the unmet IL needs in the State of older individuals with varying degrees of significant visual impairment. In making this determination, the Secretary reviews the extent to which the DSA makes available appropriate services listed in § 367.3(b), which may include any or all of the following services:
- (i) Orientation and mobility skills training that will enable older individuals who are blind to travel independently, safely, and confidently in familiar and unfamiliar environments.
- (ii) Skills training in Braille, hand-writing, typewriting, or other means of communication.

- (iii) Communication aids, such as large print, cassette tape recorders, and readers.
- (iv) Training to perform daily living activities, such as meal preparation, identifying coins and currency, selection of clothing, telling time, and maintaining a household.
- (v) Provision of low-vision services and aids, such as magnifiers to perform reading and mobility tasks.
- (vi) Family and peer counseling services to assist older individuals who are blind adjust emotionally to the loss of vision as well as to assist in their integration into the community and its resources.
- (h) Likelihood of sustaining the program (10 points). The Secretary reviews each application to determine—
- (1) The likelihood that the service program will be sustained after the completion of Federal project grant assistance;
- (2) The extent to which the applicant intends to continue to operate the service program through cooperative agreements and other formal arrangements; and
- (3) The extent to which the applicant will identify and, to the extent possible, use comparable services and benefits that are available under other programs for which project participants may be eligible.

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(e) and 796k(b)(1) and (i)(1))

§ 367.23 What additional factor does the Secretary consider?

In addition to the criteria in §367.22, the Secretary considers the geographic distribution of projects in making an award.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 796k(b)(1) and (i)(1))

Subpart D—How Does the Secretary Award Contingent Formula Grants?

§ 367.30 Under what circumstances does the Secretary award contingent formula grants to States?

(a) In the case of a fiscal year for which the amount appropriated under