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### Subpart A—General

#### § 636.1 What is the Urban Community Service Program?

The Urban Community Service Program provides grants to urban academic institutions to work with private and civic organizations to devise and implement solutions to pressing and severe problems in their urban communities.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136, 1136a)

#### § 636.2 Who is eligible for a grant?

The following institutions are eligible for grants under the Urban Community Service Program:

(a) A nonprofit municipal university, established by the governing body of

the city in which it is located and operating as of July 23, 1992.

(b) An institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions with at least one member that satisfies all of the following requirements:

(1) Is located in an urban area.

(2) Draws a substantial portion of its undergraduate students from the urban area in which it is located or from contiguous areas.

(3) Carries out programs to make postsecondary educational opportunities more accessible to residents of the urban area or contiguous areas.

(4) Has the present capacity to provide resources responsive to the needs and priorities of the urban area and contiguous areas.

(5) Offers a range of professional, technical, or graduate programs sufficient to sustain the capacity of the institution to provide these resources.

(6) Has demonstrated and sustained a sense of responsibility to the urban area and contiguous areas and the people in those areas.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136g)

#### § 636.3 What activities may the Secretary support?

(a) The Secretary awards grants under this program for the following activities:

(1) Planning.

(2) Applied research.

(3) Training.

(4) Resource exchanges or technology transfers.

(5) Delivery of services.

(6) Other activities to design and implement programs to assist urban communities to meet and address their pressing and severe problems.

(b) Examples of pressing and severe urban problems that applications may address include concerns such as the following:

(1) Work force preparation.

(2) Urban poverty and the alleviation of poverty.

(3) Health care, including delivery and access.

(4) Underperforming school systems and students.

(5) Problems faced by the elderly and individuals with disabilities in urban settings.

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(6) Problems faced by families and children.

(7) Campus and community crime prevention, including enhanced security and safety awareness measures as well as coordinated programs addressing the root causes of crime.

(8) Urban housing.

(9) Urban infrastructure.

(10) Economic development.

(11) Urban environmental concerns.

(12) Other problem areas that participants of the planning consortium agree are of high priority in the urban area in which their institutions are located.

(13) Problems faced by individuals with disabilities regarding accessibility to institutions of higher education and other public and private community facilities.

(14) Lessening of existing attitudinal barriers that prevent full inclusion of individuals with disabilities within their community.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136c)

### § 636.4 What is the duration of an Urban Community Service Program grant?

The duration of an Urban Community Service Program grant is a maximum of five annual budget periods.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136d)

### § 636.5 What are the matching contribution and planning consortium requirements?

(a) The applicant and the local governments associated with its application shall contribute to the conduct of the project supported by the grant an amount, in cash or in-kind, from non-Federal funds equal to at least one-fourth of the amount of the grant.

(b) The applicant shall develop and include in its application a plan agreed to by the members of a planning consortium.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136b, 1136e)

### § 636.6 What regulations apply?

The following regulations apply to the Urban Community Service Program:

(a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) as follows:

## 34 CFR Ch. VI (7-1-08 Edition)

(1) 34 CFR part 74 (Administration of Grants to Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Nonprofit Organizations).

(2) 34 CFR part 75 (Direct Grant Programs).

(3) 34 CFR part 77 (Definitions that Apply to Department Regulations).

(4) 34 CFR part 79 (Intergovernmental Review of Department of Education Programs and Activities).

(5) 34 CFR part 80 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments).

(6) 34 CFR part 82 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).

(7) 34 CFR part 85 (Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)).

(8) 34 CFR part 86 (Drug-Free Schools and Campuses).

(b) The regulations in this part 636.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136, 1136a)

### § 636.7 What definitions apply?

(a) *Definitions in EDGAR.* The following terms used in this part are defined in 34 CFR 77.1:

Applicant  
Application  
Award  
Budget period  
Department  
EDGAR  
Grant  
Project  
Project period  
Secretary

(b) *Other definitions.* The following definitions also apply to this part:

*Contiguous areas* means counties or independent cities sharing a part of a border with the metropolitan area within which an urban academic institution is located.

*Consortium of institutions of higher education* means two or more institutions of higher education that have entered into a cooperative arrangement for the purpose of carrying out common objectives.

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