

each priority area are listed in the following chart. The maximum number of awards to be made are listed in parentheses following each priority area. Applicants must submit a separate

application for each area in which they are interested. Under 34 CFR 75.105 (c)(3) and 34 CFR 386.1, the Secretary gives an absolute preference to applications that meet one of the

following priorities. The Secretary funds under this competition only applications that propose to provide training in one of the following areas of personnel shortages:

CFDA No.	Priority area (maximum number of awards in parentheses)	Project period	Maximum level of awards
84.129A3	Rehabilitation nursing (1)	Up to 60 months	\$100,000
84.129A8	Rehabilitation medicine (5)	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129A9	Prosthetics and orthotics (3)	UP to 60 months	150,000
84.129C3	Rehabilitation administration (2)	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129D4	Physical therapy (2)	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129E4	Rehabilitation technology (5)	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129F4	Vocational evaluation and work adjustment (5)	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129H3	Rehabilitation of individuals who are mentally ill (4)	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129L4	Undergraduate education in the rehabilitation services (6)	UP to 60 months	75,000
84.129N2	Speech pathology and audiology (2)	UP to 60 months	75,000
84.129P4	Specialized personnel for rehabilitation of individuals who are blind or have vision impairment (7).	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129Q4	Rehabilitation of individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing (8)	UP to 60 months	100,000
84.129R4	Job development and job placement services to individuals with disabilities (3)	UP to 60 months	100,000

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 Parts 385 and 386.

For Applications Contact: The Grants and Contracts Service Team, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W. (Room 3317, Switzer Building), Washington, D.C. 20202-2649; or call (202) 205-8351. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday. The preferred method for requesting information is to FAX your request to (202) 205-8717.

For Information Contact: Beverly Brightly, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W. (Room 3327, Switzer Building), Washington, D.C. 20202-2649; telephone (202) 205-9561.

For information on a specific training priority, please contact the following: For Rehabilitation medicine and Rehabilitation nursing, contact Beverly Brightly, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W. (Room 3327, Switzer Building) Washington, D.C. 20202-2649. Telephone (202) 205-9561. For Rehabilitation administration, Vocational evaluation and work adjustment, Undergraduate education in the rehabilitation services, and Job development and job placement services to individuals with disabilities, contact Beverly Steburg, U.S. Department of Education, Region IV, 61 Forsythe Street, S.W. (Room 18T91), Atlanta,

Georgia 30303. Telephone (404) 562-6336. For Physical therapy, prosthetics and orthotics, Rehabilitation technology, Speech pathology and audiology, Specialized personnel for rehabilitation of individuals who are blind or have vision impairments, and Rehabilitation of individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, contact Sylvia Johnson, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W. (Room 3320, Switzer Building), Washington, D.C. 20202-2649. Telephone (202) 205-9312. For Rehabilitation of individuals who are mentally ill, contact Ellen Chesley, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W. (Room 3320, Switzer Building), Washington, D.C. 20202-2649. Telephone (202) 205-9481.

Information about the Department's funding opportunities, including copies of application notices for discretionary grant competitions, can be viewed on the Department's electronic bulletin board (ED Board), telephone (202) 260-9950; on the Internet Gopher Server (at gopher://gcs.ed.gov); or on the World Wide Web (at http://gcs.ed.gov). However, the official application notice for a discretionary grant competition is the notice published in the **Federal Register**.

Program Authority: 29 U.S.C. 774.

Dated: July 8, 1997.

Judith E. Heumann,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA Nos. 84.044 and 84.066]

Talent Search and Educational Opportunity Centers Programs Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 1998 and Notice of Technical Assistance Workshops

SUMMARY: The Secretary invites applications for new awards for FY 1998 and announces technical assistance workshops for the Talent Search Program and Educational Opportunity Centers Programs.

DATES: The closing date for transmitting applications under each of these competitions is listed in this notice under the individual announcement for the program. The dates, time, and places for the workshops are listed under the section entitled "Technical Assistance Workshops."

ADDRESSES: The address and telephone number for obtaining applications or for further information about the two programs are listed in this notice under the individual announcement for the programs.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicants must address the changes included in the final regulations published in the **Federal Register** on November 5, 1993 for the Talent Search Program and on January 18, 1994 for the Educational Opportunity Centers Program. In general, the grantee selection criteria have been modified with particular emphasis on the sections relevant to need, plan of operation, evaluation and prior experience. The final regulations will be included in the application package made available by the Department.

Available Funds

The Congress has not yet enacted a fiscal year 1998 appropriation for the Department of Education. However, the Department is publishing this notice in order to give potential applicants adequate time to prepare applications. The estimated amount of funds available for this program is based on the President's 1998 budget.

Note: Currently funded Talent Search and Educational Opportunity Centers grantees with five-year awards expiring in 1999 must submit an application during this competition to be considered for a new award under the fiscal year 1998 funding cycle. The project start date for new grants awarded to current five-year grantees who are successful applicants under this competition will be September 1, 1999.

Application Notices

CFDA No. 84.044—Talent Search Program

Purpose of Program: The Talent Search Program provides grants to enable applicants to conduct projects designed to (1) identify qualified youths who are low-income and potential first-generation college students and to encourage them to complete high school and enroll in postsecondary education; (2) publicize the availability of student financial assistance at the postsecondary level; and (3) encourage persons who have not completed secondary or postsecondary education to re-enter these programs.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education, public and private agencies and organizations, combinations of institutions, agencies, and organizations, and, in exceptional cases, secondary schools if there are no other applicants capable of providing a Talent Search or Educational Opportunity Centers project in the proposed target area.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: October 31, 1997.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: December 31, 1997.

Applications Available: August 1, 1997.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$190,000—\$400,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$273,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 347.

Project Period: Up to 60 months.

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

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) the regulations for these programs in 34 CFR part 643.

For Applications or Information Contact: Clinton Black, Federal TRIO Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., The Portals Building, Suite 600 D, Washington, DC 20202-5249. Telephone: (202) 708-4804 or by Internet to TRIO@ed.gov or Clinton_Black@ed.gov.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-11 and 1070a.

CFDA No. 84.066—Educational Opportunity Centers Program

Purpose of Program: The Educational Opportunity Centers Program provides grants to conduct projects designed to (1) provide information regarding financial and academic assistance available for individuals who desire to pursue a program of postsecondary education, and (2) assist individuals applying for admission to institutions that offer programs of postsecondary education.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education, public and private agencies and organizations, combinations of institutions, agencies, and organizations, and, in exceptional cases, secondary schools if there are no other applicants capable of providing a Talent Search or Educational Opportunity Centers project in the proposed target areas.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: September 30, 1997.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: November 30, 1997.

Applications Available: August 1, 1997.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$190,000—\$450,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$357,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 81.

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

Project Period: Up to 60 months.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) the regulations for these programs in 34 CFR part 644.

For Applications or Information Contact: Margaret A. Wingfield, Federal TRIO Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., The Portals Building, Suite 600 D, Washington, DC 20202-5249. Telephone: (202) 708-4804 or by Internet to TRIO@ed.gov or Margaret_Wingfield@ed.gov.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-11 and 1070a.

Technical Assistance Workshops

The Department of Education will conduct 10 technical assistance workshops for the Talent Search and Educational Opportunity Centers Programs. At these workshops, Department of Education staff will assist prospective applicants in developing proposals and will provide budget information regarding these programs. The technical assistance workshops will be held as follows:

- University of Texas at Arlington, Room 100—Nedderman Hall, 415 S. West, Arlington, Texas 76010, Contact: Becky Valentich, (817) 272-2506—August 5, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- University of Chicago, Ida Noyes Hall, 1212 E. 59th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637, Contact: Terhonda Palacios, (773) 702-8288—August 5, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- Community College of Denver, Auraria Campus, 1200 Larimer Street, North Classroom Bldg., Rm. 1130-A, Denver, Colorado 80204, Contact: Florence Lavato (303) 629-9226—August 7, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- Morris Brown College, Atlanta University Center, Robert W. Woodruff Library, Exhibition Hall—Upper Level, 111 James P. Brawley Dr., S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30314, Contact: Marvin King (404) 220-0384—August 7, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- San Diego State University, 5200 Campanile Drive, Student Services Bldg., Room 1500, San Diego, California 92182, Contact: Maxine Haun (619) 594-1683—August 12, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- University of Massachusetts, Media Auditorium, Upper Level, Healy Library, 100 Morrissey Blvd., Dorchester, MA 02125-3393, Contact: Bill Pollard (617) 287-7390—August 12, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- Portland State University, South Memorial Center, Rooms 294 & 296,

1825 S.W. Broadway, Portland, OR 97207, Contact: Cora Grey (503) 725-4458—August 14, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

University of Puerto Rico Rio Piedras, Faculty of General Studies, Amphitheater #5, Barbosa Avenue, San Juan, PR 00931-3323, Contact: Evelyn Rivera, (787) 764-8063—August 14, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

John Jay College, 445 West 59th Street, Room 1311N, New York, NY 10019, Contact: Karen K. Texeira-Delucca (212) 237-8280 or Josefina Couture (212) 237-8275—August 14, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Washington, DC, Auditorium, Regional Office Building 3, 7th & D Streets, S.W., Washington, DC 20202, Contact: Federal TRIO Programs Staff (202) 708-4804—August 19, 1997, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Dated: July 7, 1997.

David A. Longanecker,

Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

SUMMARY: Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting: Name: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board—Electric System Reliability Task Force.

DATES AND TIMES: Wednesday, July 23, 1997, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm and Thursday, July 24, 1997, 8:30 am–11:30 am.

ADDRESSES: Bechtel Corporation, Hoteling Suites, Second Floor, 50 Beale Street, San Francisco, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), United States Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-1709 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The electric power industry is in the midst of a complex transition to competition, which will induce many far-reaching changes in the structure of the industry and the institutions which regulate it. This transition raises many reliability issues, as new entities emerge

in the power markets and as generation becomes less integrated with transmission.

Purpose of the Task Force

The purpose of the Electric System Reliability Task Force is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the critical institutional, technical, and policy issues that need to be addressed in order to maintain the reliability of the nation's bulk electric system in the context of a more competitive industry.

Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, July 23, 1997

- 1:00–1:30 pm—Opening Remarks & Introductions; Philip Sharp, ESR Task Force Chairman.
- 1:30–2:45 pm—Working Session: Review of the Draft ESR Task Force Interim Report.
- 2:45–3:00 pm—Break.
- 3:00–4:30 pm—Working Session: Review of the Draft ESR Task Force Interim Report.
- 4:30–5:00 pm—Public Comment Period.
- 5:00 pm—Adjourn.

Thursday, July 24, 1997

- 8:30–8:45 am—Opening Remarks & Summary of Agreements; Philip Sharp, ESR Task Force Chairman.
- 8:45–10:00 am—Working Session: Final Review of the ESR Task Force Interim Report.
- 10:00–10:15 am—Break.
- 10:15–11:00 am—Discussion: Next Steps—Approach to Addressing & Resolving the Remaining Task Force Issues.
- 11:00–11:30 am—Public Comment Period.
- 11:30 am—Adjourn.

This tentative agenda is subject to change. The final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation

The Chairman of the Task Force is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in San Francisco, California the Task Force welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Task Force will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Skila Harris, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585. This notice

is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved prior to publication.

Minutes

Minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be available for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Information on the Electric System Reliability Task Force may also be found at the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's web site, located at <http://vm1.hqadmin.doe.gov:80/seab/>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on July 9, 1997.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management; OCRWM Spent Nuclear Fuel Transportation Workshops

AGENCY: Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of public workshops.

SUMMARY: The Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management will hold two public workshops in August 1997 to discuss issues related to the transportation of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act (NWPA). These discussions will assist the Department of Energy in developing policy related to transportation activities and implementing a transportation program that provides for safe, uninterrupted and uneventful shipment of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

DATES and ADDRESSES:

- August 7, 1997, 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m., Dallas, TX
- August 8, 1997, 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m., Dallas, TX
- August 12, 1997, 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m., Reston, VA
- August 13, 1997, 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m., Reston, VA

To Pre-Register: If you are interested in attending either of these workshops, please reply for the Dallas workshop by July 21, 1997, and for the Reston