

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Administrative Services

Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Washington, DC.

Switchboard Operation

Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Syracuse, New York.

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Beverly L. Milkman,

Executive Director.

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Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to and deletions from procurement list.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List commodities and a service to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and to delete commodities previously furnished by such agencies.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: July 1, 1996.

ADDRESS: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

Addition:

If the Committee approves the proposed addition, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to

procure the commodities and service listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities. I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the commodities and service to the Government.

2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and service.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and service to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities and service proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following commodities and service have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Commodities

Stamp, Custom, Pre-inked

7520-01-381-8057

7520-01-381-8075

7520-01-381-8054

7520-01-381-8037

7520-01-381-8074

7520-01-381-8063

7520-01-352-7312

7520-01-368-7774

7520-01-381-8012

7520-01-381-8027

7520-01-419-6746

7520-01-419-6743

7520-01-419-6744

7520-01-381-7995

7520-01-381-7993

7520-01-381-8017

7520-01-357-6847

7520-01-357-6846

7520-01-419-6744

7510-01-381-8070

7510-01-381-8072

7510-01-381-8041

7510-01-381-8032

7510-01-368-3504

7510-01-381-8062

(Requirements for the U.S. Postal Service)
NPA: The Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc.,
Seattle, Washington
Kit, Pre-inked Stamps, 7520-00-NIB-1090
thru -1108, (Requirements for the U.S.

Postal Service), NPA: The Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc., Seattle, Washington

Service

Tray Delivery Service, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 3601 South 6th Avenue, Tucson, Arizona, NPA: The Centers for Habilitation/TCH, Tempe, Arizona

Deletions

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on future contractors for the commodities.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities proposed for deletion from the Procurement List.

The following commodities have been proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Paper, Looseleaf, Ruled

7530-00-286-4333

7530-00-198-6265

7530-00-286-4334

7530-00-286-4335

7530-00-286-4331

7530-00-286-5779

7530-00-286-5781

7530-00-286-5778

7530-00-286-5780

7530-00-286-5777

Card Set, Guide, File

7530-00-574-7172

7530-00-861-1270

Tape, Paper, Computing Machine

7530-00-286-9055

7530-00-286-9052

Bag, Cloth

8105-00-282-8183

Folder, File

7530-00-926-8975

7530-00-531-7809

7530-00-285-5879

Tape, Pressure-Sensitive Adhesive

7510-00-074-4946

Binder, Looseleaf

7510-00-582-3807

7510-00-281-4315

Portfolio

7510-00-579-8554

Envelope, Transparent

7510-00-782-6276

Strap, Webbing, Waist, LC-1

8465-00-269-0481

Liner, Coat, Cold Weather

8415-01-062-0679

8415-00-782-2889

8415-00-782-2888

8415-00-782-2887

8415-00-782-2886

8415-00-782-2890

Liner, Trousers, Cold Weather

8415-01-180-0370

8415-01-180-0371

8415-01-180-0372

8415-01-180-0373

8415-01-180-0374

8415-01-180-0375

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Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**[CFDA No. 84.133A--7]****Office of Special Education and
Rehabilitative Services National
Institute on Disability and
Rehabilitation Research**

Notice Inviting Applications for a New Award Under the Research and Demonstration Projects Program for Fiscal Years 1996-1997.

Purpose of Program: The Research and Demonstration Projects (R&D) Program supports discrete research, demonstration, training, and related projects to develop methods, procedures, and technology that maximize the full inclusion and integration into society, independent living, employment, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities, especially those with the most severe disabilities.

Eligible Applicants: Parties eligible to apply for grants under this program are public and private nonprofit and for-profit agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education and Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: July 15, 1996.

Application Available: June 3, 1996.

Available Funds: \$250,000.

Estimated Average Size of Award per Year: \$250,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 1.

Project Period: 36 months.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General

Administrative Regulations (EDGAR), 34 CFR Parts 74, 75, 77, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86; and (b) the regulations for this program in 34 CFR Parts 350 and 351.

Note: The estimate of funding level and awards in this notice do not bind the Department of Education to a specific level of funding or number of grants.

This notice supports the National Education Goal that calls for all Americans to possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

Priorities

Under 34 CFR 75.105(b)(2) (v) and (c)(3) and Section 204(a) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Secretary gives an absolute preference to applications that meet the following priority. The Secretary funds under this competition only applications that meet the absolute priority:

Absolute Priority—Unserved or Underserved Populations

Research, demonstration, training, and related projects that hold promise of increasing knowledge and improving the rehabilitation of individuals, particularly those with the most severe disabilities and those who are members of populations that are unserved or underserved by programs under the Rehabilitation Act.

Invitational Priority

Within the absolute priority, the Secretary is particularly interested in applications that address the following invitational priority. However, under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) an application that meets an invitational priority does not receive competitive or absolute preference over other applications:

NIDRR has observed that while women constitute most of the disability population, little information or quantitative data is available relative to circumstances and needs of women with disabilities. The information that does exist suggests that women with disabilities in America confront problems that differ in important respects from those of their nondisabled female peers as well as those of men with disabilities. While NIDRR currently supports projects to address the needs of other underserved populations such as persons with disabilities from minority backgrounds and American Indian individuals with disabilities, NIDRR does not currently support a focused research effort to address critical issues unique to women with disabilities.

In 1995, NIDRR convened a focus group of women with disabilities, service providers, and researchers to discuss research gaps and opportunities. The following topics emerged as critical areas to disabled women: economic and employment status; prevalence of violence and abuse; access to appropriate health care; and opportunities for disabled girls and young women to develop independence and leadership skills. The Secretary invites applications to undertake research projects that address these topics, including the identification of intervention strategies that can be addressed through research.

Research projects might propose to address one or more of the following research needs: analysis of the income status of disabled women; documentation of employment status and identification of employment barriers; design and testing of leadership development models; and an analysis of the existing data about violence and abuse toward women with disabilities.

The Secretary is also interested in supporting projects that study the need for and feasibility of a comprehensive research effort on the unique problems of women with disabilities, and develop an agenda for future research.

For Applications Contact: William H. Whalen, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue SW., Switzer Building, Room 3411, Washington, D.C. 20202. Telephone: (202) 205-9141.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the TDD number at (202) 205-8887.

For Further Information Contact: David Esquith, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue SW., Switzer Building, Room 3424, Washington, D.C. 20202. Telephone: (202) 205-8801. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the TDD number at (202) 205-8133. Internet: David Esquith@ed.gov

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.ED.GOV (under Announcements, Bulletins, and Press Releases); or on the World Wide Web at <http://www.ed.gov/money.html>

However, the official application notice for a discretionary grant competition is the notice published in the Federal Register.

Program Authority: 29 U.S.C. 761a and 762.