



U. S. Dept. of Labor Grants

Region 5 is composed of the Following States

- Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio and Wisconsin
- Regional Administrator—Byron Zuidema
- 230 S Dearborn ST
- Chicago Il.
- Sec. of Labor Rep.-Ken Bennett

U. S. Dept of Labor

- We are charged with preparing the American workforce for new and better jobs
- D.O.L.'s Employment and Training Administration's works collaboratively with and provides funds to state and local partners

Ways to Work With DOL

- Reach out to your local One-Stop Center
- Become familiar with DOL's e-tools
- Join a local partnership to apply for funding
- Provide input to DOL regulations
- Invite local DOL staff to your organizations

D.O.L. Regulatory Responsibility

- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
- Workforce Investment Act
- Wagner-Peyser Act
- Social Security Act (Unemployment Insurance)
- Trade Act

Purpose of DOL Grants

- Projects benefiting States and communities
- Projects which help people find, get and keep jobs
- Projects which lead to workforce development in the Region

Two Kinds of Grants

Formula awards:

- Funds are awarded by statute (usually to States) for Congressional purposes

Discretionary awards:

- Funds are awarded on a competitive basis to eligible applicants to operate a variety of workforce programs related to specific target groups or demonstration/pilot programs, including demonstration projects in high growth jobs, prisoner re-entry and youth offender programs, disability programs, and national emergency grants. ETA also administers the grant approval and oversight process for Congressional awards (“earmarks”) to specific organizations.

DOL funds these activities...

- Employment training for:
 - Adults
 - Dislocated Workers
 - Youth
 - Older Workers
 - Migrant/Seasonal Farm-workers
 - Indian and Native American tribes
- National Emergency and FEMA grants
- Labor Certification
- Labor Market Information
- State Administration of the Unemployment Insurance program
- Work Opportunity Tax Credit
- Training assistance for Trade-impacted workers
- Special purpose demonstration grants

Veterans Priority of Service

- The Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training shall promote and monitor participation of qualified veterans and eligible persons in employment and training opportunities under title 1 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and other federally funded employment and training programs

VETS Grant Programs

- The Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS):
 - >Agency of the U.S. Department of Labor
- VETS Administers Grant Programs:
 - >Jobs for Veterans Grants to State Workforce Agencies (DVOP Specialists & LVER Staff
 - >Competitive Grants to public and private non-profit organizations

Employers Contact

- Employers may contact one of the nearly 2,000 One-Stop Career Centers nationwide for assistance in connecting to and recruiting veterans.
- 1-877-US2-JOBS
- www.dol.gov/vets

VETS' Programs

- *Jobs for Veterans' State Grants (DVOP/LVER)
- * Transition Assistance Program (TAP)
- * Priority of Service
- *REALifelines/ Operation Wounded Warrior
- *Disabled Veterans' Hiring Initiative
- *Federal Agency & Contractor Program

Vets Programs

- *Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Projects
- *Incarcerated Veterans Training Programs
- *Veterans' Workforce Investment Program
- *Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA)
- *National Veterans' Training Institute
- *Hire Vets First Program

Priority of Service

- *Priority of Service
- * a veteran shall be given priority over a non-veteran for receipt of employment, training and placement services in job training programs if the veteran meets the program's eligibility requirements.
- * Title 38, United States Code, Section 4215
- www.doleta.gov/programs/VETS/

VETERANS

- COVERED PERSON
 - > A Veteran
 - > An Eligible Spouse
- COVERED ENTRANT
 - > A Veteran or an Eligible Spouse who is;
 - > At the “point of entry” to the workforce system or a qualified job training program

OVERVIEW

- Implementing Priority of Service
 - *State and Local Planning
 - *Identifying and Informing Covered Persons
 - *Priority Defined
 - *Priority in Action
 - *Monitoring of Compliance

VISION and MISSION of the VETS

- Vision: Veterans succeeding in the 21st century workforce.
- Mission: To provide veterans and service members with the resources and services to succeed in the 21st century workforce by maximizing their employment opportunities, protecting their employment rights and meeting labor-market demands with qualified veterans.”

Who is eligible for a DOL grant?

- State/Local/Tribal Units of Government
- Educational institutions
- Non-profit Organizations
- Others...

DOL uses an SGA Process

- SGA = Solicitation for Grant Applications
- Published in Federal Register and Grants.gov

The 7 SGA Steps

- Grant idea is authorized (Congress and DOL)
- Application & eligibility requirements developed
- SGA is published
- Applications received
- Review and rating phase
- Awards announced
- Grant Operations begin

An Example of Rating Categories

<u>Criterion</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Statement of Need	15
2. Project Management & Organizational Capacity	15
3. Strategy and Project Work Plan	50
4. Outcomes and Deliverables	15
5. Suitability for Evaluation	5

The Grant Lifecycle

- Announcement
- Award
- Post-Award (grant operations)
- Close-out
- Audit

How to Find a DOL Grantee

For Individuals & Employers

Seeking Services under DOL Grants

- State and local organizations are funded to provide workforce services under our grants through a national network of One-Stop service centers.
- Individuals and employers who are seeking to receive workforce services should contact the nearest one-stop service center in their community, which can be located by going to the **www.servicelocator.org** web site.

Questions?

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THANK YOU