H-1B One Workforce Grant Program

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor

ACTION: Amendment to FOA-ETA-20-13

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration announced on September 24, 2020, the availability of funds and the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) for the H-1B One Workforce Grant Program to be awarded through a competitive process. This amendment revises language in the FOA.

The document is hereby amended as follows:

The following language has been removed:

ADDRESSES: Address mailed applications to:

The U.S. Department of Labor
Employment and Training Administration, Office of Grants Management
Attention: Brinda Ruggles, Grant Officer
Reference FOA-ETA-20-13
200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N4716
Washington, D.C. 20210

SECTION IV. APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Section IV.B.3.c) Project Design – One Workforce Model (24 points)

Amended Text (new language in bold)

2) H-1B One Workforce Partnerships: Demonstration of Employer and Industry Engagement (10 points)
   i. Comprehensive description of your H-1B One Workforce Partnership, including identifying all partners included in the H-1B One Workforce Partnership, their roles and contributions, and how each partner supports the overall partnership. For full points, applicants must clearly demonstrate the active involvement of the required workforce partnership entities by attaching partnership agreements, organizational charters, or other types of signed agreements (as described in Sections III.A.3. H-1B One Workforce Partnership and IV.B.4. Attachments to the Project Narrative). An email or other form of written commitment is also acceptable. (6 points)
ii. Comprehensive description of the activities and contributions of employer partners in support of the sector-based strategy(ies), with at least five employers committed to the project, and how these roles support the goals of the project, including identifying their involvement with the following, as applicable: providing assistance with program design; prioritizing job openings to consider hiring qualified participants who complete grant-funded education and training programs; providing resources, such as mentors, the donation of equipment, or other contributions to support the proposed project; plans to work with the program to upskill front-line incumbent workers and other incumbent workers; and plans to work with the program to hire unemployed participants to backfill job vacancies left by incumbent worker participants who move into higher-skilled jobs. For full points, applicants must provide documentation of employer support. (4 points)

Section IV.B.4.a) Required Attachments

Amended Text (new language in bold)

(5) Letters of Commitment or MOUs
Submit signed and dated Letters of Commitment or Memoranda of Understanding (an email or other form of written commitment is also acceptable) between the applicant and partner organizations and/or sub-grantees that propose to provide services to support the program model and lead to the identified outcomes. Applicants must also include partnership agreements, letters, or signed documentation with at least five employer partners, as described in Section IV.B.3. Project Narrative.

When submitting in grants.gov, these letters must be uploaded as an attachment to the application package and labeled “Letters of Commitment.”

SECTION IV.C. SUBMISSION DATE, TIME, PROCESS, AND ADDRESS

Section IV.C is deleted and replaced with the following:

We must receive your application by November 12, 2020. You must submit your application electronically on https://www.grants.gov no later than 4:00:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the closing date.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their application before the closing date to minimize the risk of late receipt. We will not review applications received after 4:00:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the closing date. We will not accept applications sent by hard-copy, e-mail, telegram, or facsimile (FAX).

Section IV.C.1 is deleted and replaced with the following:

1. Hardcopy Submission
No applications submitted in hardcopy by mail or hand delivery (including overnight delivery) will be accepted for this funding opportunity.
The following paragraph has been removed from Section IV.C.2.b):

We will not consider any hard copy application received after the exact date and time specified for receipt at the office designated in this notice, unless we receive it before awards are made, it was properly addressed, and it was (a) sent by U.S. Postal Service mail, postmarked not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of applications (e.g., an application required to be received by the 20th of the month must be postmarked by the 15th of that month); or (b) sent by professional overnight delivery service to the addressee not later than one working day before the date specified for receipt of applications. “Postmarked” means a printed, stamped or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable, without further action, as having been supplied or affixed on the date of mailing by an employee of the U.S. Postal Service. Therefore, you should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation “bull’s eye” postmark on both the receipt and the package. Failure to adhere to these instructions will be a basis for a determination that the application was not filed timely and will not be considered. Evidence of timely submission by a professional overnight delivery service must be demonstrated by equally reliable evidence created by the delivery service provider indicating the time and place of receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Andrea Chism, Grants Management Specialist, Office of Grants Management, at chism.andrea.n@dol.gov.

Signed October 20, 2020 in Washington, D.C. by:

Brinda Ruggles
Grant Officer, Employment and Training Administration