# GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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# Federal Secure Cloud Advisory Committee Notification of Upcoming Meeting

**AGENCY:** Federal Acquisition Service (Q), General Services Administration (GSA).

**ACTION:** Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), GSA is hereby giving notice of an open public meeting of the Federal Secure Cloud Advisory Committee (FSCAC). Information on attending and providing public comment is under the

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

**DATES:** The open public meeting will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2024, from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST). The agenda for the meeting will be made available prior to the meeting online at <a href="https://gsa.gov/fscac.">https://gsa.gov/fscac.</a>

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be accessible via webcast. Registrants will receive the webcast information before the meeting.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle White, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), FSCAC, GSA, 703–489–4160, fscac@gsa.gov. Additional information about the Committee, including meeting materials and agendas, will be available online at https://gsa.gov/fscac.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **Background**

GSA, in compliance with the FedRAMP Authorization Act of 2022, established the FSCAC, a statutory advisory committee in accordance with the provisions of FACA (5 U.S.C. 10). The Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) within GSA is responsible for providing a standardized, reusable approach to security assessment and authorization for cloud computing products and services that process unclassified information used by agencies.

The FSCAC will provide advice and recommendations to the Administrator of GSA, the FedRAMP Board, and agencies on technical, financial, programmatic, and operational matters regarding the secure adoption of cloud computing products and services. The FSCAC will ensure effective and ongoing coordination of agency adoption, use, authorization, monitoring, acquisition, and security of

cloud computing products and services to enable agency mission and administrative priorities. The purposes of the Committee are:

- To examine the operations of FedRAMP and determine ways that authorization processes can continuously be improved, including the following:
- Measures to increase agency reuse of FedRAMP authorizations.
- O Proposed actions that can be adopted to reduce the burden, confusion, and cost associated with FedRAMP authorizations for cloud service providers.
- O Measures to increase the number of FedRAMP authorizations for cloud computing products and services offered by small businesses concerns (as defined by section 3(a) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(a)).
- O Proposed actions that can be adopted to reduce the burden and cost of FedRAMP authorizations for agencies.
- Collect information and feedback on agency compliance with, and implementation of, FedRAMP requirements.
- Serve as a forum that facilitates communication and collaboration among the FedRAMP stakeholder community.

The FSCAC will meet no fewer than three (3) times a calendar year. Meetings shall occur as frequently as needed, called, and approved by the DFO.

#### Purpose of the Meeting and Agenda

As a continuation of the FSCAC meeting series from October 19, 2023 through November 9, 2023, the January 18, 2024 public meeting will be dedicated to the Committee members reviewing their finalized feedback regarding their initial recommendations to the GSA Administrator and to vote on their deliverable to the GSA Administrator. The Committee will provide initial recommendations on their priority initiatives, to include authorization path improvements, continuous monitoring (ConMon) process improvements, and automation initiatives and opportunities. The meeting agenda and draft deliverable will be posted on https://gsa.gov/fscac prior to the January 18, 2024 meeting.

#### **Meeting Attendance**

This virtual meeting is open to the public. Meeting registration and information is available at https://gsa.gov/fscac. Registration for attending the virtual meeting is highly encouraged by 5:00 p.m. EST, on Tuesday, January 16, 2024. After registration, individuals

will receive instructions on how to attend the meeting via email.

For information on services for individuals with disabilities, or to request accommodation for a disability, please email the FSCAC staff at FSCAC@gsa.gov at least 10 days prior to the meeting date. Live captioning may be provided virtually.

#### **Public Comment**

Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide oral public comment during the FSCAC meeting on January 18, 2024. Written public comments can be submitted at any time by completing the public comment form on our website, <a href="https://gsa.gov/fscac">https://gsa.gov/fscac</a>. All written public comments will be provided to FSCAC members in advance of the meeting if received by Wednesday, January 10, 2024.

#### Elizabeth Blake,

Senior Advisor, Federal Acquisition Service, General Services Administration.

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# GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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## Notice of Request for Information on the Computers for Veterans and Students Act of 2022

**AGENCY:** Office of Government-wide Policy (OGP), General Services Administration (GSA).

**ACTION:** Notice; request for information (RFI).

SUMMARY: GSA is responsible for implementing the Computers for Veterans and Students Act of 2022 (COVS Act), which aims to close the digital divide and provide access to surplus computers and technology equipment to eligible recipients. GSA is seeking information from nonprofit computer refurbishers and other nongovernmental entities to better understand the industry as GSA develops regulations to implement the COVS Act.

**DATES:** Interested parties should submit written comments to the address shown below on or before February 13, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Comments to the RFI must be provided in writing. Interested parties are to submit their written comments electronically to https://www.regulations.gov. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching for "RFI Computers for Veterans and Students Act of 2022".

Select the link "Comment Now" that corresponds with the RFI and follow the instructions provided on the screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "RFI Computers for Veterans and Students Act of 2022" on your attached document. If your comment cannot be submitted using <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">https://www.regulations.gov</a>, call or email the points of contact in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions.

You are not required to answer all of the questions in the RFI, but the more information we receive, the better GSA will understand the nonprofit computer refurbisher industry.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to https://www.regulations.gov, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check https://www.regulations.gov approximately two-to-three days after submission to verify posting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William Garrett, Director, Personal Property Policy Division, Office of Government-wide Policy, Office of Asset and Transportation Management (MA), at 202–368–8163 or personal property policy@gsa.gov for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755 or GSARegSec@gsa.gov. Please cite RFI Computers for Veterans and Students Act of 2022.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Background**

GSA oversees the disposal of federal excess and surplus personal property. Under the COVS Act (codified at 40 U.S.C. 549a), GSA is required, as appropriate, to transfer full title of eligible surplus computers and technology equipment to nonprofit computer refurbishers.

Nonprofit computer refurbishers are responsible for the repair, distribution, and subsequent transfer of the equipment to eligible recipients. The term "eligible recipient" means an educational institution, individual with a disability, low-income individual, student, senior in need, or veteran that is residing or based in the United States. If the equipment cannot be repaired or reused, nonprofit computer refurbishers must use recyclers to the maximum extent practicable. Nonprofit computer refurbishers must also offer training programs to eligible recipients on the use of the repaired computers and technology equipment, and report required information to GSA.

#### Purpose

The purpose of this RFI is to gather information from nonprofit computer refurbishers and other nongovernmental entities to better understand the industry's experience in and ability to (1) refurbish computers and technology equipment; (2) recycle computers and technology equipment if the property can't be repaired or reused; (3) distribute property to eligible recipients; (4) provide training programs; and (5) report data to GSA as required. GSA is

also requesting information from nongovernmental entities that may be able to facilitate the identification and participation of nonprofit computer refurbishers.

This information will help GSA evaluate the eligibility and suitability of nonprofit computer refurbishers for participating in the COVS Act program and receiving surplus computers and technology equipment from Federal agencies. This information will also help GSA identify nongovernmental entities for potential partnerships and to develop a framework for the COVS Act program and implementing regulations.

GSA is providing the following information to help the industry understand the amount of personal property reported to GSA as excess under Federal Supply Group (FSG) 70 with a condition code of repairable. It's important to note that the amount of property available for transfer under the COVS Act will be less than the amount of property reported to GSA as excess since the COVS Act authorizes the transfer of surplus computer or technology equipment. Excess personal property is available for transfer to other Federal agencies and may be utilized at the excess level before it could be declared surplus, thereby it would not be available for transfer as surplus property under the COVS Act. Additionally, the amount of reported property varies each fiscal year and numbers decreased due to the impact of COVID-19.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Federal Supply Group (FSG) Condition Code Fiscal Year	
	A single line entry, on a reporting form or transfer order, for items of property of the same type having the
	same description, condition code, and unit cost.
Quantity	The number of units of issue of available property.
Unit of Issue	The way the property quantity is normally measured, sold, or counted in an inventory (e.g., each, lot, box).
Original Acquisition Cost (OAC)	The price an agency originally paid for an item when they acquired it (not the fair market value).

#### REPORTED EXCESS PERSONAL PROPERTY: FSG 70 & CONDITION CODE REPAIRABLE

Fiscal year	Line items	Quantity	OAC
19	36,875 23,384 20,339 19,906 11,095	146,038 87,190 60,824 55,555 34,372	\$219,972,562.45 115,469,580.08 121,137,177.77 118,602,707.33 58,470,951.90
Total	111,599	383,979	633,652,979.53

This RFI is for general fact-gathering purposes. Interested parties will not be reimbursed for any costs related to providing information in response to this RFI. The Government does not

intend to award a contract on the basis of this RFI.

# Requested Information From Industry

To help GSA assess the ability of nonprofit computer refurbishers or other industry partners to participate in the COVS Act program, please answer the following questions:

#### General

- If you are a nonprofit computer refurbisher, what is the name, mission, vision, location, and history of your nonprofit organization? How long have you been operating as a nonprofit computer refurbisher or industry partner?
- What are your sources of funding and support? How do you ensure financial sustainability and accountability?
- How many staff members and volunteers do you have? What are their roles and qualifications? How do you recruit, train, and retain them?

#### Refurbishing

- How many computers and technology equipment do you refurbish per year? What are the types, models, brands, and specifications of the equipment you refurbish? What are the standards and procedures you follow for refurbishing?
- When do you consider computer or technology equipment obsolete or unrepairable? Is there any type of surplus computer or technology equipment that you will not accept? For example, computers without hard drives or equipment over a certain age.
- Do you provide data sanitization services? Do you follow the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST Special Publication 800–88, Rev. 1) guidelines? Do you provide evidence/ reports that sanitization was completed?

# Recycling

- If computer or technology equipment cannot be repaired or reused, what do you do with the property? Are you a certified electronics recycler? If so, under which standard? If not, do you partner with certified electronics recyclers?
- How many computers and technology equipment do you recycle per year? What are the types, models, brands, and specifications of the equipment you recycle? What are the standards and procedures you follow for recycling?

### Distribution

• What process would you use to identify recipients eligible to receive surplus computer or technology equipment in accordance with 40 U.S.C. 549a? How would you verify eligibility to prevent ineligible persons from

- obtaining equipment? How would you determine who receives the equipment to ensure fair and equitable distribution?
- Would recipients be required to pay for the equipment? How would you determine the price or fee in compliance with 40 U.S.C. 549a(b)(3)(B)?
- Is your organization able to segregate equipment received under the COVS Act from other sources to ensure this equipment is only provided to eligible recipients?
- Federal agencies are generally unable to pay for shipping and transportation to refurbishers. Would you cover shipping costs? Would you be able to pick up computers and equipment from agency locations?
- How would you distribute refurbished computers and technology equipment to recipients? What would be your distribution network and criteria? How would you ensure quality control and customer service?
- How long (in days) would it take to refurbish computers (from the date the equipment is received) and provide them to eligible recipients?

## Training

- Do you offer training programs on the use of the repaired computers and technology equipment? Is this training provided at no cost, or for a fee? If there is a charge for the classes, how is this fee determined?
- Please describe the training programs, platforms (e.g., in person, virtual) and the target audiences.

#### Reporting

• Nonprofit computer refurbishers receiving surplus computer or technology equipment under the COVS Act are required to report information to GSA on a recurring basis. This includes information about the distribution of the equipment and which eligible recipients received the equipment. Would you be able to provide the required recipient data and reports to GSA? How soon could you provide reports about who received the equipment (taking into account the time to repair and transfer them)? Do you foresee any challenges in providing this data to GSA?

# **Partnerships**

- Do you have any experience working with Federal agencies or receiving surplus computers and technology equipment from them? If so, please provide examples.
- How do you envision nongovernmental entities partnering with GSA? Do you anticipate any challenges with GSA establishing partnerships with nongovernmental

- entities to facilitate the identification and participation of nonprofit computer refurbishers?
- Are you aware of any nonprofit computer refurbisher groups, alliances, or associations? If yes, please list them. Are there other types of groups we need to be aware of in the industry?
- Are you a member of a nonprofit computer refurbisher group, alliance, or association? If yes, which one? What are the eligibility and certification requirements to join? Are you required to pay any fees to participate? Why did you decide to join one or choose one particular group, alliance, or association over another?
- If you're not part of a group, alliance, or association, is there a reason you have not joined or are you opposed to joining one?

# Other

• Please provide any additional comments or challenges you anticipate related to participating in the COVS Act program.

#### Krystal J. Brumfield,

Associate Administrator, Office of Government-wide Policy, U.S. General Services Administration.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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# Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice with comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on the proposed data collection titled, CDC Diabetes Prevention Recognition Program (DPRP). The Diabetes Prevention Recognition Program (DPRP) continues the collection of nationwide, de-identified data for the