

road to the Guard Station, where a member of the USMA staff will meet members of the public wishing to attend the meeting at 08:30am and escort them to the meeting location. Members of the public who DO NOT have proper DoD ID will walk from Buffalo Soldier Field to the Thayer Road Extension, then walk to the Guard Station, where a member of the USMA staff will meet members of the public wishing to attend the meeting at 08:30am and escort them to the meeting location. Please note that all vehicles and persons entering the installation are subject to search and/or an identification check. Any person or vehicle refusing to be searched will be denied access to the installation. Members of the public should allow at least an hour and a half for security checks and the shuttle ride or walk. The United States Military Academy, Jefferson Hall, is fully handicap accessible. Wheelchair access is available at the south entrance of the building. For additional information about public access procedures, contact Mrs. Ghostlaw, the committee's Designated Federal Officer, at the email address or telephone number listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Written Comments or Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the committee in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the committee's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mrs. Ghostlaw, the committee Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mrs. Ghostlaw, the committee Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the Designated Federal Official at least seven business days prior to the meeting to be considered by the committee. The Designated Federal Official will review all timely submitted written comments or statements with the committee Chairperson and ensure the comments

are provided to all members of the committee before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the committee until its next meeting.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140d, the committee is not obligated to allow a member of the public to speak or otherwise address the committee during the meeting. However, the committee Designated Federal Official and Chairperson may choose to invite certain submitters to present their comments verbally during the open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting. The Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the committee Chairperson, may allot a specific amount of time for submitters to present their comments verbally.

James W. Satterwhite Jr.,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Extension of Application Deadline Date; Applications for New Awards; Project Prevent Program

AGENCY: Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On August 19, 2022, the Department of Education (Department) published in the **Federal Register** a notice inviting applications (NIA) for the fiscal year (FY) 2022 Project Prevent program competition, Assistance Listing Number 84.184M. The NIA established a deadline date of October 3, 2022, for the transmittal of applications. This notice extends the deadline date for transmittal of applications until October 5, 2022, and extends the deadline for intergovernmental review until December 9, 2022.

DATES: Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: October 5, 2022. Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: December 9, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nicole White, U.S. Department of Education, Telephone: (202) 453–6729. Email: Project.Prevent@ed.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 19, 2022, we published an NIA for the Project Prevent program competition in the **Federal Register** (87 FR 51072). The NIA established a deadline date of

October 3, 2022, for the transmittal of applications. We are extending the deadline date for transmittal of applications, because *Grants.gov*, the system used to submit applications electronically, will be closed for site maintenance from September 23–29, 2022. Since applicants will be unable to submit or work in *Grants.gov* during that time, we are extending the deadline to allow applicants additional time to complete and submit their applications.

Applicants that have submitted applications before the original deadline date of October 3, 2022, may resubmit their applications on or before the new application deadline date of October 5, 2022, but are not required to do so. If a new application is not submitted, the Department will use the application that was submitted by the original deadline. If a new application is submitted, the Department will consider the application that was last submitted successfully and received by 11:59:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on October 5, 2022.

Note: All requirements and conditions stated in the NIA remain the same, except for the deadline for the transmittal of applications and the deadline for intergovernmental review.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7281.

Accessible Format: On request to the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, individuals with disabilities can obtain this document, the NIA, and a copy of the application package in an accessible format. The Department will provide the requestor with an accessible format that may include Rich Text Format (RTF) or text format (txt), a thumb drive, an MP3 file, braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc or other accessible format.

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James F. Lane,

*Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary
Delegated the Authority to Perform the
Functions and Duties of the Assistant
Secretary for the Office of Elementary and
Secondary Education.*

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Lowering the Per-Unit Acquisition Cost for Equipment Acquired by State Licensing Agencies for the Benefit of the Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program

AGENCY: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education (Department) is implementing an exception, approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), to lower the per-unit acquisition cost for equipment acquired by State licensing agencies (SLAs) for the benefit of the Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program (RSVFP). The per unit acquisition cost is lowered from the current \$5,000 or the capitalization level established by the non-Federal entity for financial statement purposes to “equal or exceed the lesser of \$1,000 or the capitalization level established by the non-Federal entity for financial statement purposes.”

DATES: *Applicable date:* October 1, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Uniform Guidance Exception Granted

On July 27, 2022, the Department requested an exception from OMB under 2 CFR 200.102(a) and (c) to adjust the requirements under the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) definition of “equipment” at 2 CFR 200.1 for a class of non-Federal entities. Specifically, the Department requested

the limited exception, solely for equipment acquired by the SLA for the benefit of the RSVFP, to lower the per-unit acquisition cost threshold from the current \$5,000 or the capitalization level established by the non-Federal entity for financial statement purposes to “equal or exceed the lesser of \$1,000 or the capitalization level established by the non-Federal entity for financial statement purposes.” On September 2, 2022, OMB approved the exception and notified the Department. The exception is applicable only to equipment the SLA acquires under section 3(3) and section 7(c) of the Randolph-Sheppard (R-S Act) and under section 103(b)(1) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act) for the benefit of the RSVFP.

This notice announces the lowering of the per-unit acquisition cost for equipment acquired by SLAs for the benefit of the RSVFP. This change is effective for SLAs on October 1, 2022 and applies to all equipment, acquired with either R-S Act set-aside funds under 34 CFR 395.9(b) or State Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VR) program funds (both Federal and non-Federal) under section 103(b)(1) of the Rehabilitation Act and 34 CFR 361.49(a)(5), satisfying the lower per-unit acquisition cost on or after that date. VR agencies need to ensure that prior approval is obtained for items meeting the revised equipment threshold in accordance with 2 CFR 200.407. RSA will provide training opportunities to States, as necessary, on the implementation of the exception.

Background

The R-S Act, which authorizes the RSVFP, enhances employment opportunities for individuals who are blind by designating SLAs to train and license them to operate vending facilities (e.g., vending machines, cafeterias, snack bars) on Federal and other property.

VR agencies that provide services to the blind serve as SLAs for purposes of administering the R-S Act and the RSVFP. Pursuant to section 103(b)(1) of the Rehabilitation Act, VR agencies may use Federal VR program funds for the ongoing acquisition of equipment and the purchase of initial stocks and supplies during the blind vendor’s first six months of operation (see also 34 CFR 361.49(a)(5)). Specifically, Federal VR program funds, as well as some non-Federal funds used for matching purposes, may be used to acquire equipment throughout the operation of the vending facility. However, Federal VR program funds, as well as non-Federal funds used for matching

purposes (except for set-aside and Federal vending machine income funds), may be used on initial stocks and supplies only during the first six months of a vending facility’s operation (34 CFR 361.49(a)(5)(ii)). The VR agency acting as the SLA under the R-S Act has the authority to spend the Federal vending machine income and set-aside funds under 34 CFR 395.9(b) on the maintenance, replacement, and purchase of equipment; however, there is no authority to spend these funds on supplies at any point during the operation of the vending facility.

Based on the provisions in 2 CFR part 200, “supplies” are those items that fall under the \$5,000 per-unit capitalization threshold identified in the definition of “equipment” (2 CFR 200.1). In the absence of a statutory or regulatory definition of “equipment” in the Rehabilitation Act or the R-S Act, RSA has relied on the definition in the Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR 200.1, which requires equipment to have a per-unit cost of either \$5,000 or exceed the State’s capitalization threshold, whichever is lower.

The capitalization threshold has a direct effect on the classification of items as “equipment” or as “supplies,” and thus, what funds can be used for its purchase and when such funds may be used.

The Uniform Guidance threshold of \$5,000 became an issue as SLAs and blind vendors initiated the process of reopening vending facilities in the wake of extended closures caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and identified the need to repair/replace or purchase new commercial appliances. For blind vendors to operate a vending facility, SLAs are required to purchase commercial appliances needed to operate that vending facility, including, but not limited to, vending machines, commercial coffee makers, freezers, beverage dispensers, and cash registers, because these commercial appliances remain at the facility regardless of the vendor placed by the State to operate the facility. In many instances, these commercial appliances do not meet the Uniform Guidance definition of “equipment,” because the per-unit cost is less than \$5,000. These items typically cost between \$1,000 and \$4,999 per item. Under the current definition of “equipment,” these costs would generally be considered supplies and would not be allowable purchases for the RSVFP with VR Federal grant funds and non-Federal matching funds, except during the first six months of the operation of any vending facility, and Federal vending machine income and levied set-aside funds can never be used