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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The LITC Program Office at 404-338-7185 (not a toll-free number) or by email at LITCProgramOffice@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 7526 of the Internal Revenue Code authorizes the IRS, subject to the availability of appropriated funds, to award organizations matching grants of up to \$100,000 for the development, expansion, or continuation of qualified low income taxpayer clinics. Section 7526 authorizes the IRS to provide grants to qualified organizations that represent low income taxpayers in controversies with the IRS and/or inform individuals for whom English is a second language of their tax rights and responsibilities. The IRS may award grants to qualifying organizations to fund one-year, two-year or three-year project periods.

The 2005 LITC Application Package and Guidelines, Publication 3319, includes several changes that are being implemented to improve IRS's involvement with the technical components of the LITC Program. Among the changes, IRS has established work groups, clarified the comprehensive program standards, improved communications, and increased the emphasis on education and outreach programs to taxpayers for whom English is a second language.

The costs of preparing and submitting an application are the responsibility of each applicant. Each application will be given due consideration and the LITC Program Office will mail notification letters to each applicant.

Selection Considerations

Applications that pass the eligibility screening process will be numerically ranked based on the information contained in their proposed program plan. Please note that the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program is a separate and distinct program from the LITC grant program. Organizations currently participating in the VITA Program may be eligible to apply for a LITC grant if they meet the criteria and qualifications outlined in the LITC Grant Application Package & Guidelines (Publication 3319). Organizations that seek to operate both VITA and LITC programs must maintain separate and

distinct programs to ensure proper cost allocation for LITC grant funds and adherence to both VITA and LITC program rules and regulations. In addition to the criteria and qualifications outlined in the LITC Grant Application Package and Guidelines, to foster parity regarding clinic availability and accessibility for taxpayers nationwide, the IRS will consider the geographic area of applicants as part of the decision making process. The IRS will also seek to attain a proper balance of academic and non-profit organizations as well as a proper balance of start-up and existing clinics.

Comments

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments on the IRS's administration of the grant program on an ongoing basis. Comments may be sent to Internal Revenue Service, Taxpayer Advocate Service, LITC Program Office Mail Stop 211-D, 401 W. Peachtree Street, NW., Atlanta, GA 30308.

Dated: April 9, 2004.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Earned Income Tax Credit Issue Committee; Correction

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Correction to notice.

SUMMARY: This document contains a correction to an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Earned Income Tax Credit Issue Committee being conducted in Las Vegas, Nevada, which was published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, April 19, 2004 (69 FR 20964).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Audrey Y. Jenkins at 1-888-912-1227 (toll-free) or 718-488-2085.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The notice that is the subject of this correction is pursuant to section 10(a)(2)

of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988).

Need for Correction

As published, the notice contains errors which may prove to be misleading and are in need of clarification.

Correction of Publication

Accordingly, the publication of the notice, which was the subject of FR Doc. 04-8829, is corrected as follows:

(1) On page 20964, column 1, under the caption **DATES**, the language, "The meeting will be held Friday, May 14, 2004 and Saturday, May 15, 2004." is corrected to read "The meeting will be held Thursday, May 13, 2004, until Saturday, May 15, 2004."

(2) On page 20964, column 2, under the caption **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, the language, "Friday, May 14, 2004 from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. p.t. and Saturday, May 15, 2004 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. p.t. in Las Vegas, Nevada at the Flamingo Las Vegas Hotel located at 3555 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89109-8919." is corrected to read "Thursday, May 13, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. p.t. until 5:30 p.m., Friday, May 14, 2004, from 9 a.m. p.t. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday, May 15, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. p.t. until 12 p.m. p.t. in Las Vegas, Nevada, at the Flamingo Las Vegas Hotel located at 3555 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89109-8919. The meeting will be closed to the public on Thursday, May 13, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. p.t. until 5:30 p.m. p.t. and Friday, May 14, 2004, from 9 a.m. p.t. until 12:30 p.m. p.t. for administrative purposes. The meeting will be open to the public on Friday, May 14, 2004, from 1:30 p.m. p.t. until 5:30 p.m. p.t., and Saturday, May 15, from 8:30 a.m. p.t. until 12 p.m. The additional time has been added due to additional agenda items being added."

(3) On page 20964 column 2, last paragraph, the language "Note: Last minute changes to the agenda are possible and could prevent effective advance notice." is removed.

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