

Mass Workforce Issuance

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To: Chief Elected Officials
Workforce Board Chairs
Workforce Board Directors
Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
Department of Career Services

Date: June 30, 2016

Subject: **Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) National Grants**

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce partners that the Department of Labor (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has announced a reopening of the availability of approximately \$338,520,000 in grant funds authorized by Title V of the Older Americans Act (OAA) as amended in 2006 for the Older Americans program, also referred to as the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), for National Grants for Program Year 2016.

Background: ETA is reopening the SCSEP FOA open period for 30 days to both new applicants and to applicants who applied for funding under this FOA during the previous open period. This reopening is intended to ensure adequate coverage of the necessary geographic areas and associated participant slots. SCSEP is the only Federally sponsored employment and training program targeted specifically to low-income older individuals who are able to enter or reenter the workforce.

The dual goals of the program are to promote useful opportunities in community service job training and to move SCSEP participants into unsubsidized employment.

Funding Opportunity Number:	FOA-ETA-16-04-A
Application Deadline:	July 25, 2016
Expected Number of Awards:	10-22
Total Program Funding:	\$338,520,000
Award Ceiling:	\$50,000,000
Award Floor:	\$2,000,000
Period of Performance:	48 Months
Eligible Applicants*:	Nonprofit Organizations and Federal public agencies

* Applicants must demonstrate their ability to administer a multi-State program that meets the eligibility and responsibility requirements outlined in 20 CFR part 641 subpart D, which are based on the statutory criteria listed in section 514(c) of the OAA. Requirements include providing evidence of legal authority to operate a multi-State program and applying to provide services in more than one State based on the award information requirements in Section II.A.2.

Action

Requested: Please share the information regarding this funding opportunity with management, staff and partners as appropriate.