Reintegration of Ex-Offenders (RExO) Adult Generation 5

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration (ETA)

ACTION: Notice: Amendment to SGA/DFA PY-11-02

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration announced on January 12, 2012, the availability of funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) for Reintegration of Ex-Offenders (RExO) Adult Generation 5 to be awarded through a competitive process. The document is hereby amended as follows:

Section I.D.3, page 6 of the solicitation, the following text should be replaced:

- Old Text: “Case management services, including referrals to housing assistance services, legal aid services, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, and supportive services as defined in Section 101(46) of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA).”

- New Text: “Case management services, including referrals to housing assistance services, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, supportive services as defined in Section 101(46) of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA); and referral to and payment of legal services related to the purpose of this grant, such as: securing a driver's license, expunging criminal records, and creating and/or modifying child support orders.”

Section III.D.1, pages 7-8, the following text should be replaced:

- Old Text: “Individuals 18 years old and older who have been convicted as an adult and imprisoned under Federal or State law, and who have never been convicted of a sex-related offense other than prostitution, can be served with these grants. Eligible individuals can be referred from partnering criminal justice agencies and also recruited from within the target community. All individuals served by this program must be enrolled in the program within 180 days after their release from prison, jail, or a halfway house and must be returning to the target community. Services may be provided to current inmates, including residents of a halfway house, with release dates within three months after the start of services. Grantees have the discretion to enroll individuals convicted of either violent or non-violent offenses. However, the grantee must have a clear and consistent enrollment policy that addresses how enrollment of program applicants with either type of conviction will be treated. Grantees may choose to have a more rigorous risk assessment for violent offenders and should note this where it will factor into enrollment eligibility.”

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Section V.A.4, 2nd Bullet, pages 20-21, the following text should be replaced:

- Old Text:
  “RExO Applicants – If you have completed an ETA adult or youth RExO grant within the last four years (on or after January 1, 2008), you must, with respect to the most recently-completed RExO grant only, provide past grant performance goals established by DOL and the actual grant outcomes obtained for 1) enrollment, and 2) total placement in employment, post secondary education, military and advanced skills training. If you have not completed an ETA adult or youth RExO grant within the past four years, you must use data from a completed grant using the instructions in the category below for Non-RExO applicants.”

  “Non-RExO Applicants: If you have not completed an ETA adult or youth RExO grant within the last four years, you must provide information with respect to the grant that you completed most recently within the last four years (on or after January 1, 2008) in which you served ex-offenders. This may include a program or project that was funded by one or more foundations, or non-grant funds such as individual donations and contributions. Specifically, you must select and provide two goals required by the grantor(s) and the actual outcomes obtained.”

- New Text:
  “RExO Applicants – If you have completed an ETA adult RExO grant (as a result of SGA/DFA PY-04-08, PY-07-05, or PY-08-03 formerly known as DOL’s Prisoner Reentry Initiative) within the last four years (on or after January 1, 2008), you must, with respect to the most recently-completed RExO grant only, provide past grant performance goals established by DOL and the actual grant outcomes obtained for 1) enrollment, and 2) the entered employment rate. If you have not completed an ETA RExO - Adult grant within the past four years, you must use data from a completed grant using the instructions in the category below for Non-RExO applicants.”

  “Non-RExO Applicants: If you have not completed an ETA adult RExO grant within the last four years, you must provide information with respect to the grant that you completed most recently within the last four years (on or after January 1, 2008) in which you served ex-offenders. This may include a program or project that was funded by one or more foundations, or non-grant funds such as individual donations and contributions. Specifically, you must select and provide two goals required by the grantor(s) and the actual outcomes obtained.”

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