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Dated: September 18, 1998.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirement on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning its proposed dissemination of its new National Service-Learning Leader Schools program application. This form is used as part of the standard application package to facilitate the identification and recognition of public and private high schools that have demonstrated exemplary practices in service-learning. The information provided will be used by the Corporation and its review panel of experts to evaluate a school's merit for recognition.

Copies of the information collection requests can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section by November 30, 1998.

The Corporation is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Propose ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Propose ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Corporation for National and Community Service Attn: Amy Cohen, Office of Learn and Serve America, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., 8th floor, Washington, D.C. 20525.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Cohen, (202) 606-5000, ext. 484.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

President Clinton introduced the idea of a national recognition program for schools that have incorporated service into the curriculum and the life of the school in his 1996 Pennsylvania State University commencement address. He challenged every American high school to make "service a part of its basic ethic." The President urged every high school to make service a part of its curriculum and charged the Corporation for National Service with the responsibility to design the National Service-Learning Leader Schools program to honor outstanding schools. With input from many perspectives in the education and service communities, the Corporation has designed the National Service-Learning Leader Schools program. The forms included in the application package are new and have not previously been used by the Corporation.

B. Current Action

The Corporation seeks approval of the National Service-Learning Leader Schools application package and forms. The application package and forms are necessary to carry out this national initiative. They will standardize the applications received from schools

across the country so the panel of expert reviewers receives standard information on the applicants. The forms will collect information about schools seeking recognition under this initiative. The information will be used in making decisions regarding which schools will be recognized, as well as for public awareness, educational and information purposes consistent with the Corporation's mission.

Type of Review: New approval.

Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service.

Title: National Service-Learning Leader Schools Program Application.

OMB Number: None.

Agency Number: None.

Affected Public: High schools that choose to seek recognition.

Total Respondents: Approximately 250.

Frequency: Annual.

Average Time Per Response: 6 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1,500 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$35,000 (250 applicants @ \$140 each: \$20 for copying, assembly, and mailing plus 6 hours per response @ \$20/hour).

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 25, 1998.

Kenneth L. Klothen,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Air Force A-76 Initiatives Cost Comparisons and Direct Conversions (As of July 1998)

Air Force is in the process of conducting the following A-76 initiatives. Cost comparisons are public-private competitions. Direct conversions are functions that may result in a conversion to contract without public competition. These initiatives were announced and in-progress as of July 1998, include the installation and state where the cost comparison is being performed, the total authorizations under study, public announcement date and solicitation (or anticipated) date. The following initiatives are in various stages of completion.