

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Department of Labor
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PRIVATE SECTOR FOR-PROFIT AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT BUSINESSES WITH AT LEAST ONE PHYSICAL LOCATION IN NEW YORK STATE OR A GROUP OF TWO OR MORE SUCH BUSINESSES WITH THE SAME OR SIMILAR TRAINING NEEDS
Building Skills in New York State (BUSINYS) Grant Program, Request for Applications (RFA) # 37-L

In compliance with Section V (A) of the BUSINYS RFA (# 37-L), a deadline has been established for the submission of applications. Any eligible businesses that have established a User ID and Password in the BUSINYS electronic application database will have until 5:00 pm (EST) on November 1, 2006 to complete and submit their application. No applications will be accepted after that deadline. Those businesses that do not have an established User ID and Password are not eligible to apply for funding under the BUSINYS 37-L grant program. However, a new version of this program (BUSINYS RFA # 25-M) is available as of today, October 18, 2006, and may be accessed on-line at www.workforcenewyork.com.

The BUSINYS 37-L program provided funds to train incumbent (employed) workers in specific skills needed by the applicant business or the industry in which it operates and that lead to potential career growth and increased wages for the trainees. Funds were used to pay for outside vendors or in-house trainers to provide on-site training, off-site training or distance learning.

For further information, log on to our web site at www.workforcenewyork.com or contact Andrew Gehr, Office of Program Development, at the above address or call (518) 457-0361.

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PRIVATE SECTOR FOR-PROFIT AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT BUSINESSES THAT HAVE FOUR OR MORE EMPLOYEES AND AT LEAST ONE PHYSICAL LOCATION IN NEW YORK STATE
Building Skills in New York State (BUSINYS) Grant Program, Request for Applications (RFA) # 25-M

Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis for the BUSINYS RFA # 25-M grant program. BUSINYS # 25-M provides funds to train incumbent (employed) workers in specific skills needed by the applicant business or the industry in which it operates and that lead to potential career growth and increased wages for the trainees. Funds may be used

to pay for outside vendors or in-house trainers to provide on-site training, off-site training or distance learning. The position targeted for training must exist and be filled at the time that the application is submitted. The applicant must demonstrate that the training will result in the workers' acquisition of transferable skills. Awards for individual applications may not exceed \$50,000.00, subject to funding availability. A BUSINYS program lifetime cap has been established that limits a businesses receipt of funding under the program (including RFAs 32-I, 37-L, and 25-M, and RFP 25-L) to \$50,000.00.

Approximately \$10 million in statewide funds received under the Workforce Investment Act will be made available for this grant program. Contracts will be awarded for a period of up to one year. Limited no-cost contract extensions may be approved at the discretion of the Department. Awardees will be required to provide reports documenting the outcomes of the project. Contract payment will be on a reimbursable basis. Contractors must promptly submit vouchers for reimbursement of costs that have been incurred and paid in accordance with the approved budget. Any award must be expended on program activities in New York State and the employees to be trained must work in New York State upon completion of the training.

For further information or to access the electronic application, Log on to our web site at www.workforcenewyork.com or contact Andrew Gehr, Office of Program Development at the above address or call (518) 457-0361.

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**PUBLIC OR NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
Zoos, Botanical Gardens and Aquarium Program**

Applicants must be public or not-for-profit organizations; zoos, botanical gardens, herbariums, arboretums, aquariums, bird sanctuaries, natural habitat preserves, natural science museums, and nature and environmental centers which own, house and care for living or systematically organized collections of biological specimens and which primarily provide such services to the general public on a regular and predictable basis.

At the present time, there are two categories within the Zoos, Botanical Gardens and Aquarium Program under which funds may be requested. Category I, Collections Care Costs, is funding for expenses directly related to the care, security and interpretation of the collections. Category II, Special Purposes, is funding for the development of new exhibits or the rehabilitation of existing exhibits for the permanent collections and for new, innovative projects or programs for the institution.

Competitive applications to receive aid are required and must be postmarked no later than December 4, 2006. Funding for local assistance grants is made available through an appropriation from the State's General Fund.

For an application contact: Kevin Burns, Chief of Grants, Bureau of Grants Management, Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, Empire State Plaza, Agency Bldg. 1, 16th Fl., Albany, NY 12238, or call: Debra L. Wood (518) 474-8477, e-mail: [http: www.nysparks.com/grants](http://www.nysparks.com/grants)