

CERTIFICATION FORM

Compliance with the Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEOP) Requirements

Please read carefully the Instructions (see below) and then complete Section A or Section B or Section C, not all three.

Recipient's Name:		DUNS Number:
Address:		
Grant Title:	Grant Number:	Award Amount:
Name and Title of Contact Person:		
Telephone Number:	E-Mail Address:	

Section A—Declaration Claiming Complete Exemption from the EEOP Requirement

Please check all the following boxes that apply:

Recipient has less than fifty employees. Recipient is an Indian tribe. Recipient is a medical institution.
 Recipient is a nonprofit organization. Recipient is an educational institution. Recipient is receiving an award less than \$25,000.

I, _____ [responsible official], certify that _____ [recipient] is not required to prepare an EEOP for the reason(s) checked above, pursuant to 28 C.F.R § 42.302. I further certify that _____ [recipient] will comply with applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of services.

Print or Type Name and Title _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Section B—Declaration Claiming Exemption from the EEOP Submission Requirement and Certifying That an EEOP Is on File for Review

If a recipient agency has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award or subaward of \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000, then the recipient agency does not have to submit an EEOP to the OCR for review as long as it certifies the following (42 C.F.R. § 42.305):

I, _____ [responsible official], certify that _____ [recipient], which has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award or subaward for \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000, has formulated an EEOP in accordance with 28 CFR pt. 42, subpt. E. I further certify that within the last twenty-four months, the proper authority has formulated and signed into effect the EEOP and, as required by applicable federal law, it is available for review by the public, employees, the appropriate state planning agency, and the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The EEOP is on file at the following office: _____ [organization], _____ [address].

Print or Type Name and Title _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Section C—Declaration Stating that an EEOP Utilization Report Has Been Submitted to the Office for Civil Rights for Review

If a recipient agency has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award or subaward of \$500,000 or more, then the recipient agency must send an EEOP Utilization Report to the OCR for review.

I, _____ [responsible official], certify that _____ [recipient], which has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award of \$500,000 or more, has formulated an EEOP in accordance with 28 CFR pt. 42, subpt. E, and sent it for review on _____ [date] to the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

Print or Type Name and Title _____ Signature _____ Date _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Completing the Certification Form

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The federal regulations implementing the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act (Safe Streets Act) of 1968, as amended, require some recipients of financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Justice subject to the statute's administrative provisions to create, keep on file, submit to the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) for review, and implement an Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEOP). *See* 28 C.F.R. pt. 42, subpt. E. All awards from the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) are subject to the EEOP requirements; many awards from OJP, including awards from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), and the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) are subject to the EEOP requirements; and many awards from the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) are also subject to the EEOP requirements. If you have any questions as to whether your award from the U.S. Department of Justice is subject to the Safe Streets Act's EEOP requirements, please consult your grant award document, your program manager, or the OCR.

Recipients should complete *either* Section A *or* Section B *or* Section C, not all three.

Section A

The regulations exempt some recipients from all of the EEOP requirements. Your organization may claim an exemption from all of the EEOP requirements if it meets any of the following criteria: it is a nonprofit organization, an educational institution, a medical institution, or an Indian tribe; *or* it received an award under \$25,000; *or* it has less than fifty employees. To claim the complete exemption from the EEOP requirements, complete Section A.

Section B

Although the regulations require some recipients to create, maintain on file, and implement an EEOP, the regulations allow some recipients to forego submitting the EEOP to the OCR for review. Recipients that (1) are a unit of state or local government, an agency of state or local government, or a private business; *and* (2) have fifty or more employees; *and* (3) have received a single grant award of \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000, may claim the limited exemption from the submission requirement by completing Section B. In completing Section B, the recipient should note that the EEOP on file has been prepared within twenty-four months of the date of the most recent grant award.

Section C

Recipients that (1) are a unit of state or local government, an agency of state or local government, or a private business, *and* (2) have fifty or more employees, *and* (3) have received a single grant award of \$500,000 or more, must prepare, maintain on file, *submit to the OCR for review*, and implement an EEOP. Recipients that have submitted an EEOP Utilization Report (or in the process of submitting one) to the OCR, should complete Section C.

Submission Process

If a recipient receives multiple awards subject to the Safe Streets Act, the recipient should complete a Certification Form for each grant. Recipients should download the online Certification Form, have the appropriate official sign it, electronically scan the signed document, and then send the signed document to the following e-mail address: EEOPForms@usdoj.gov. *The document must have the following title: EEOP Certification.* If you have questions about completing or submitting the Certification Form, please contact the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, 810 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531 (Telephone: (202) 307-0690 and TTY: (202) 307-2027).

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