collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before April 13, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administrations (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0020” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Danny S. Green at (202) 632–1354.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.


OMB Control Number: 2900–0020.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: These forms are used by the insured to designate beneficiaries and select an optional settlement to be used when the insurance matures by death. The information is required to determine the claimant’s eligibility to receive the proceeds. The information on the form is required by law. 38 U.S.C. Sections 1917, 1949 and 1952.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 13,917 hours.
Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 10 minutes.
Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 83,500.

By direction of the Secretary.

Danny S. Green,
VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Quality, Performance and Risk, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Rental and Utility Assistance for Certain Low-Income Veteran Families

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Program has enabled grantees to augment available housing options for homeless Veterans in high-rent burden communities by increasing the rental assistance for up to 2 years before recertification. This notice establishes locations where the SSVF grantees can place Veterans in housing with this rental subsidy.

DATES: SSVF grantees can place Veterans in housing with the rental subsidy described in title 38 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 62.34(a)(8), effective October 1, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John Kuhn, Homeless Program Office, Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program Office, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632–8596. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a document published in the Federal Register on August 28, 2019, the Department of Veterans Affairs published a final rule, which revised its regulations that govern the SSVF Program, which are authorized under section 2044 of title 38 United States Code and 84 Federal Register 45074. This rule, which amended 38 CFR 62.34(a)(6) and (8), enables of SSVF grantees to provide rental assistance in certain areas where the limited availability of affordable housing makes it difficult to reduce a community’s population of homeless Veterans. Through the provision of these subsidies, the pool of available housing can be expanded as program participants have access to a broader rental market. Section 62.34(a)(8) states that extremely low-income Veteran families and very low-income Veteran families who meet the criteria of section 62.11 may be eligible to receive a rental subsidy for a 2-year period without recertification. Section 62.34(a)(8) further states that the applicable counties will be published annually in the Federal Register. This notice provides the eligible counties for Fiscal Year 2020.

Locations: This rental subsidy will be available in the District of Columbia and the following counties: California: Los Angeles, San Francisco, Alameda, San Diego, Santa Clara, Contra Costa, Kern, Imperial, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, Marin, and San Mateo.

Washington: King.

Hawaii: Honolulu.

Illinois: Cook.

New York: New York, Bronx, Queens, Kings, and Richmond.

Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Pamela Powers, Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on February 6, 2020, for publication.

Luvenia Potts,
Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Funding Availability: Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of funding availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is announcing the availability of 1-year renewal funding for the 11 currently operational Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 VA Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem (GPD) Program Special Need Grant recipients and their collaborative VA Special Need partners (as applicable) to submit renewal applications for assistance under the Special Need Grant component of VA’s Homeless Providers GPD Program. The focus of this NOFA is to encourage applicants to continue services to the