CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Application Package for VISTA Project Implementation Evaluation Sponsor Survey

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS).

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, CNCS is proposing a new information collection.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the individual and office listed in the ADDRESSES section by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection activity, by any of the following methods:

(1) By mail sent to: Corporation for National and Community Service, Attention: Craig Kinnear, 250 E Street SW, Washington, D.C., 20525.

(2) By hand delivery or by courier to the CNCS mailroom at the mail address given in paragraph (1) above, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, except federal holidays.

(3) Electronically through www.regulations.gov.

Comments submitted in response to this notice may be made available to the public through regulations.gov. For this reason, please do not include in your comments information of a confidential nature, such as sensitive personal information or proprietary information. If you send an e-mail comment, your e-mail address will be automatically
captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. Please note that responses to this public comment request containing any routine notice about the confidentiality of the communication will be treated as public comment that may be made available to the public, notwithstanding the inclusion of the routine notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Craig Kinnear, (202) 606-6708, or by e-mail at ckinneac@cnns.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* VISTA Project Implementation Evaluation Sponsor Survey.

*OMB Control Number:* TBD. Type of Review: New.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Businesses and Organizations.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 800.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 200.

*Abstract:* To inform CNCS’s implementation of its Transformation and Sustainability Plan, a CNCS contractor will conduct a study about Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) project development, management, and sustainability, including member recruitment and retention. The survey of approximately 800 VISTA project sponsors, which will be administered online, will help to identify implementation challenges and best practices among VISTA project sponsors, will be used to make program improvements and mitigate potential challenges, and will also be used to develop training and technical assistance materials to strengthen and enhance VISTA programming. Sponsors will be sent individualized emails and survey data will be merged with existing administrative data regarding project characteristics.
Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. All written comments will be available for public inspection on regulations.gov.

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