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SBA Announces Funding Competition to Organizations Providing Federal Procurement Training to Veteran Entrepreneurs

WASHINGTON – [The U.S. Small Business Administration](#) today announced that non-profit organizations and private sector firms are now eligible to compete for funding of up to \$500,000 to deliver federal procurement training to veteran and service-disabled veteran entrepreneurs. The application period begins today through July 12, 2021.

Up to two awardees will use the \$500,000 in total funding to participate in the Veteran Federal Procurement Entrepreneurship Training Program ([SB-OVVT-21-001](#)) with grants [from SBA's Office of Veterans Business Development](#). Awards will be made for a base project period of 12 months, with three option periods of 12 months each. These funds will be used to cover the costs of educating veterans and service-disabled veterans who intend to pursue, or are already engaged in, federal procurement.

"With the U.S. Government being the single largest purchaser of goods and services in the world, there is a tremendous opportunity for our veteran small business community to tap into government contracting," said Larry Stubblefield, Associate Administrator for the SBA's Office of Veterans Business Development. "Through our Veteran Federal Procurement Entrepreneurship Training Program, we will continue to provide grants that train and empower veterans and service-disabled veterans as they enter and expand in the federal marketplace."

Eligible organizations must submit applications for the Veteran Federal Procurement Entrepreneurship Training Program ([SB-OVVT-21-001](#)) funding opportunity **by 11:59 p.m. ET on July 12, 2021**, through [Grants.gov](#). Search for opportunity number [SB-OVVT-21-001](#). Applications not submitted via [Grants.gov](#) will not be evaluated.

SBA's Office of Veterans Business Development will host a conference call on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 2 p.m. EDT to answer questions related to the Veteran Federal Procurement Entrepreneurship Training Program grant announcement. Please submit any questions to Jerry Godwin at jerry.godwin@sba.gov no later than Thursday, June 17, 2021. To join the call, please use the following information:

- Join through [Microsoft Teams at this link](#) or,
- Join by phone: 202-765-1264; Access code: 384 283 442#

Information, including a transcript of the conference call once it is available, will be posted on [grants.gov](#) and [sba.gov](#).

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The U.S. Small Business Administration helps power the American dream of business ownership. As the only go-to resource and voice for small businesses backed by the strength of the federal government, the SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources and support they need to start, grow or expand their businesses, or recover from a declared disaster. It delivers services through an extensive network of SBA field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations. To learn more, visit [www.sba.gov](#).