

**Topical Heading**

Technical Assistance

**Program Title**

# Training and Advisory Services—Equity Assistance Centers

**Also Known as**

Equity Assistance Centers program

**CFDA # (or ED #)**

84.004D

**Administering Office**

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE)

**Who May Apply (by category)**

Nonprofit Organizations, Other Organizations and/or Agencies

**Who May Apply (specifically)**

A public agency (other than a state education agency [SEA] or a school board) or a private nonprofit organization may apply.

**Current Competitions**

None. FY 2008 funds support continuations only.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**

Discretionary/Competitive Grants, Cooperative Agreements

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2006 \$7,113,150

Fiscal Year 2007 \$7,113,150

Fiscal Year 2008 \$6,988,736

**Fiscal Year 2008 Awards Information**

*Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.*

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 0

Number of Continuation Awards: 10

Average Continuation Award: \$697,000

Range of Continuation Awards: \$609,1170–\$856,665

**Legislative Citation**

*Civil Rights Act of 1964 (CRA), Title IV, as amended; 42 U.S.C. 2000c–2000c-2, 2000c-5*

**Program Regulations**

34 *CFR* 270 and 272

**Program Description**

Equity Assistance Centers are funded by the U.S. Department of Education to provide technical assistance and training, upon request, in the areas of race, sex, and national origin to public school districts and other responsible government agencies to promote equitable education opportunities. The centers work in the areas of civil rights, equity, and school reform. This assistance helps schools and communities ensure that equitable education opportunities are available and accessible for all children.

**Types of Projects**

Typical activities include: (1) technical assistance in the identification and selection of appropriate education programs to meet the needs of limited English proficient (LEP) students and (2) training designed to develop educators' skills in specific areas, such as the dissemination of information on successful education practices and the legal requirements related to nondiscrimination on the basis of race, sex, and national origin in education programs. Projects include technical assistance and training for education issues occasioned by school desegregation. The centers work with schools in the areas of harassment, bullying, and prejudice reduction.

Centers also develop materials, strategies, and professional development activities to assist schools and communities in preventing and countering harassment based on ethnicity or gender.

**Education Level (by category)**

K-12

**Subject Index**

Civil Rights, Ethnic Bias, National Origin Bias, Racial Bias, Sex, Sex Bias

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**Links to Related Web Sites**

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/equitycenters/index.html>

<http://www.ed.gov/about/contacts/gen/othersites/equity.html>