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FMCS Announces Labor-Management Grants

WASHINGTON, D.C.— The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) today announced 12 grants totaling approximately \$750,000 to support cooperative initiatives by labor-management groups nationwide through recognition of innovative approaches to workplace issues as well as best practices in labor relations.

FMCS Director George H. Cohen emphasized the importance of the grants program in demonstrating best practices in labor-management cooperation by stating, “The FMCS grants program is an important effort to promote innovative problem-solving and the benefits of collaboration and constructive labor-management relationships. Today, labor and management face a multitude of increasingly difficult issues, and by highlighting the successful efforts of our grantees, we hope to provide a valuable tool that will help other organizations introduce innovative programs of their own and duplicate that success.”

The grants program, which began in 1981 under the authority of the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978 (PL 95-524), has funded a broad range of projects including outreach, communications, strategic planning, minority recruitment and process development. Through the years, the program has helped union and employer groups nationwide develop creative conflict resolution projects that improve cooperation and enhance organizational effectiveness.

Summaries of the grant recipients’ projects are available on the agency’s website. To view the full list, [click here](#).

Applicants wishing to learn more about the FMCS labor-management grants program may call the FMCS Grants Office at 202-606-8181 or visit the agency’s website at www.fmcs.gov.

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The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, created in 1947, is an independent U.S. government agency whose mission is to preserve and promote labor-management peace and cooperation. Headquartered in Washington, DC, with 10 district offices and 67 field offices, the agency provides mediation and conflict resolution services to industry, government agencies and communities.