

## Guidelines for U.S. Government Projects with Non-Profit Organizations (NGOs)

The two primary documents with guidelines for U.S. Government projects with NGOs are the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars A-122 and A-21. Both NGOs and institutions of higher education (considered to be NGOs) operate under A-21 which is the administrative standard for grants. The complete documents are available on the following web sites.

Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Circular A-122. *Cost Principles for Non-Profit Organizations*.

<http://library.whitehouse.gov/textonly/OMB/circulars/a122/a122.html>

Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Circular A-21. Principles for Determining Costs Applicable to Grants, Contracts, and other Agreements with Educational Institutions. <http://library.whitehouse.gov/textonly/OMB/circulars/a021/a021.html>

### **Other Documents with Guidelines for Partnering between Government and NGOs**

Both of the following contain language and regulations conducive to building partnerships and setting administrative standards and evaluation processes.

**Empowerment Zone/Economic Community Program** (Community Empowerment Program of 1993).

<http://www.ezec.gov/About/ruralregs.html>.

Click on Rural EZ/EC regulation effective in October 1998 7 CFR Part 25 Acrobat (pdf) file, 80 K

### **School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994**

<http://www.stw.ed.gov/factsht/act.htm#community>.

Of particular relevance is the description of "Local Partnership."