QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

2016 Safe in Place Initiative-Generator Program

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1. Can separate applications be submitted by an organization with more than one location?

Yes, with a limit of no more than 3.

2. Our organization has two separate DCF funded programs. One is a CSOC program and one is a DCPP program. Can we submit more than one proposal for this funding?

Yes, with a limit of no more than 3.

3. Can an agency submit multiple proposals if its programs do not currently have generators?

Yes, with a limit of no more than 3.

4. Are we required to wait until proposal award to incur any costs associated with this project? An application for permit requires payment and we don't know if we will be reimbursed for that payment if we submit it prior to grant award. "Any expenses incurred prior to the effective date of the contract will not be reimbursed by the DCF." We plan to supplement the cost of this project with other funding since its cost exceeds \$30k. Can we spend some of the excess cost in advance of funding award? Yes, you do understand correctly that DCF will not reimburse expenses prior to the effective date of the contract. Any funding you expend shall be at your expense.

5. Is the project under Union labor rights or prevailing wages?

No.

6. A bid must be submitted with the proposal. Is DCF requiring that the bids adhere to the Davis-Bacon Act for prevailing wage rates?

No.

7. Would this RFP cover the cost an installation of a generator that is fueled by propane as opposed to natural gas?

Yes.

8. We have two homes on one campus with the same service that is considered one program through CSOC, We would like to put in one application for two generators for the same program that has two homes on the same site. Is this permissible or do we have to submit two proposals?

You will have to submit two proposals.

9. If a company has a lease with County Government can the county apply for this funding assuming the use of the building for emergency and long term services for youth is long term?

No, this RFP states it is for "DCF providers holding current contracts for out of home treatment programs supervised transitional living homes or shelters that provide 24 hour care of DCF involved children and youth."

10. Is there a limit of applications per agency?

Yes, with a limit of no more than 3.

11. <u>Section I – General Information; Subsection A, page 1</u>: Does the \$ <u>30,000</u> <u>limit</u> apply per agency or can one agency submit multiple proposals for multiple facilities that, in total, exceed the \$ 30,000 limit?

Each proposal cannot exceed \$30,000.00. We want each program to have that as a limit. You should not divide up the total between your three bids. Each bid can be for \$30,000.00.

12. <u>Section I, General Information; Subsection D, page 2</u>: is there any limitation of what kind/source of "other leveraged funds" that may be used?

In general, no but you cannot pledge other State funds as "other leveraged funds." This would be supplanting.

13. <u>Section I, General Information; Subsection E, page 2</u>: in bullet #1, as to eligible facilities, does the RFP include group homes for children with developmental disabilities?

Yes. The RFP says on Page 1 : "The New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF) announces the availability of up to \$250,000.00 in funding for the Safe in Place Generator Initiative for the purchase and/or installation of emergency natural gas generators to be used in the event of the disruption of utility services for <u>DCF providers holding current contracts for out of home treatment programs, supervised transitional living homes or shelters that provide 24 hour care of DCF involved children and youth.</u> The existing contracts must be with DCF Children's System of Care (CSOC), Office of Adolescent Services (OAS), and/ or DCF Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P)."

Page 2 says. "1. Only Applicants who are currently contracted with the Division of Children's System of Care (CSOC), Office of Adolescent Services (OAS), and/or the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (CP&P) that provide 24 hour care are eligible to apply."

If you meet these standards, you may apply.