

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Recovery Support and Environmental Strategies to Prevent and Reduce Substance Abuse on College Campuses in New Jersey

TAKE NOTICE that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

Program Name: Recovery Support and Environmental Strategies to Prevent and Reduce Substance Abuse on College Campuses in New Jersey

Purpose: DMHAS is soliciting proposals from State recognized institutions of higher learning in New Jersey to provide recovery support and environmental prevention strategies. Each college or university awardee will be required to provide individual and group substance abuse recovery-oriented programs and services, implement environmental prevention strategies, provide assessment, academic, and personal counseling services to students, and/or offer recovery-based housing for students. Successful bidders will also be required to establish a campus Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug (ATOD) task force, and participate in the DMHAS-funded Regional Coalition for the county in which the college or university is located in order to advocate for policies and laws pertaining to ATOD abuse by college students, offer media resources (and non-ATOD alternative activities) to college student populations, attend funded trainings and workshops as required, and provide quarterly reports to the State on all project activities. Each funded college or university will also be required to participate in a year-end evaluation contracted separately by DMHAS. Project oversight will be provided by DMHAS, including assistance in developing and convening the project steering committee and training and technical assistance.

Available Funding Amount: A total of up to \$490,200, subject to State appropriation, is expected to be available. DMHAS will make two awards (each not to exceed \$245,100).

Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications: Bidders that may apply must meet the following eligibility criteria.

1. The bidder must be a State recognized accredited institution of higher learning in New Jersey.
2. A non-public bidder must demonstrate that it is incorporated through the New Jersey Department of State and provide documentation of its current non-profit status.

3. The bidder must be a fiscally viable non-profit organization.
4. The bidder must comply with all rules and regulations for any DMHAS program element of service proposed by the bidder.
5. The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/debarred/debarsearch.htm> or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds.
6. The bidder must comply with the terms and conditions of the Department of Human Services' contracting rules and regulations as set forth in the Standard Language Document, the Contract Reimbursement Manual (CRM) and the Contract Policy and Information Manual (CPIM). A copy of this manual can be accessed from the web at: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ocpm/home/resources/manuals/>.
7. The bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction (PoC) for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission.
8. The bidder must have a governing body that provides oversight as is legally permitted. No member of the Board of Directors may be employed as a consultant for the successful bidder.
9. The bidder must attend the Mandatory Bidders Conference as described in that section of the RFP.

Proposal Procedure: Effective September 17, 2014, the Request for Proposal (RFP) is available at www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

Proposal Receiving Office:

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222 South Warren Street
PO Box 700
Trenton, NJ 08625-0700

Change the zip code to 08608 if submitting via UPS or FedEx.

Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received by 5:00 p.m. eastern standard time on October 15, 2014.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before November 15, 2014.

Jennifer Velez, Commissioner

Date