

PUBLIC NOTICE

HUMAN SERVICES

NEW JERSEY COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Notice of Funds Available (NOFA)

Activities and/or Programs which Explore and Demonstrate Approaches to Achieve One or More Specified Objectives in the Areas of Housing and Health

2014 NOFA Proposal Process

A. New Applications: Letter of Interest followed by Full Proposal

- Applicants who have never applied to the Council for funding must attend one of our technical bidders conferences to be held in April.
- As in prior years, the Letter of Interest and Proposal Process is a two-step procedure.
- There is no "set aside" this year for unfunded activity.

Required Documents:

Letter of Interest (provided) – deadline **February 24, 2014**.

Notice of selection for full proposal packet (if solicited) **By April 11, 2014**.

Full proposals due if selected - deadline **May 16, 2014**.

Notice of Award: **August 29, 2014**.

(Bidders workshops to be held in April – check www.njcdd.org for details)

B. Second-Third Year Projects up for consideration

- Applicants *do not* have to attend pre-bid meeting.
- Letter of Interest is simple statement of intent to apply for continuation.
- Proposal consists of *detailed* discussion of progress toward existing goals, logical outline of proposed activity bringing the project to the next levels, and possible presentation to the New

Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities' Grants committee. (*Council staff will prepare this presentation for the Grant Committee's response in each case.*)

- Application can be for *up to two years* of a project resulting in the deliverables stated, based on the initial application project design.
- Applicant must identify sources of continuing support for project upon completion, provide assessment of potential for such support from each source and provide a timeline for applying for and/or securing each resource.
- Continuing projects will either be funded, funded with modification or not funded based on their reports and (perhaps) a presentation to the Council's Grants committee.

Required Documents:

Letter of Interest (format) – deadline **March 3, 2014.**

Proposal Package sent to Interested Parties – **March 7, 2014.**

Project Continuation Proposal Package - deadline **May 16, 2014.**

Notice of Award: **August 29, 2014.**

New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities NOFA Council Plan Objectives for Fiscal Year

2015 Subcontracts

The New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities is seeking proposals for activities and or programs which explore and demonstrate approaches to achieve one or more of the following objectives in the areas of Health Care, Community Supports and Housing:

HOUSING

A) Objective: Identify Innovative models for homes, housing and overcoming architectural and economic barriers for all people with developmental disabilities.

Description: This grant will fund an investigation to facilitate education about all types of innovative housing models for all people with developmental disabilities while recognizing varied circumstances and support needs. The grantee will:

- Detail innovative solutions to overcome the architectural, economic and supply barriers related to supportive housing;
- Examine all available housing models while incorporating the principles of supportive housing to provide safe, affordable homes with access to support services so individuals can live as independently as possible in communities of their choice;
- Include innovative models of providing support while incorporating self-determination;
- Include as support, services such as assistance with daily living skills and transportation, to help individuals live fully integrated and independent lives in their communities;
- Explore the availability of safety systems; what are the costs;
- Explore innovative public and private relationships to promote homeownership for people with developmental disabilities;
- Address cost challenges and viable solutions such as funding streams and all other available options in New Jersey;
- Clearly delineate how to access and combine available resources related to funding;
- Evaluate the effectiveness, benefits, and disadvantages of each model and provide guidance for successful implementation; and
- Compile and organize the final work product in a manner that people of all abilities may easily read and understand the content.

HEALTH

B) Objective: To expand availability of behavioral and psychiatric services plus crisis and emergency care for people of all ages with developmental disabilities in New Jersey.

Description: Increase understanding of the mental health and behavioral needs of individuals with dual diagnoses. Develop community focused strategies for people with developmental disabilities that lead to new and innovative care solutions that can be sustained within the context of the current Medicaid waiver.

The awardee must:

- Include strategies that address crisis intervention and safety and transition to the community; and
- Demonstrate how to implement the strategies it develops to all others that provide mental health and behavioral care solutions to people with a dual diagnosis.

The New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities is a Federally mandated and funded organization. It is authorized under State N.J.S.A. 30:1AA-1 et seq. and Federal P.L. 100-142 (Part B) statutes. The Council's general purpose is to assure that people with developmental disabilities and their families participate in the design of and have access to the needed community services, individual supports, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination, independence, productivity, and integration and inclusion in all aspects of community life.