Sandy Funding Criteria Worksheet

State Department:
NJ Department of Children and Families
Name of Expenditure Program:
Ready Worker Pool
Amount:
\$237,000

Overview:

In the wake of Superstorm Sandy it is expected that reported cases of child abuse and neglect shall increase. The Ready Work Pool (RWP) initiative seeks to hire former DCF employees because of their experience as a child protective service employee as they are best positioned to understand the unique challenges that families face when confronting hardship and adversity, and they have the skill set needed to work with families to provide needed services and identify supports to best address current challenges.

The RWP initiative seeks to employ former DCF staff to provide investigatory field support to Local Offices who were impacted by Super Storm Sandy and may experience an increase in referrals in the months following the storm. As a RWP caseworker, these former employees will be called upon to assume the full responsibilities of a caseworker and assist in investigations of child abuse and neglect as well as other responsibilities related to CP&P caseload. RWP caseworkers will be hired as Temporary Employment Services employees with individual schedules arranged based on need and

Federal Department of Origin:

U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services – The Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013, (P. L. 113-2); "Hurricane Sandy Supplemental Funds" to address necessary expenses resulting from Hurricane Sandy, including social, health, and mental health services for individuals, and for repair, renovation and rebuilding of health care facilities (including mental health facilities), child care facilities, and other social services facilities.

Federal Requirements / Restrictions:

Funds to be totally expended by September 30, 2015.

Also subject to Integrity Oversight monitoring via Assembly Bill A60 (A-60)(P.L.2013,c.37).

Additional State regulations related to Governor Christie's Executive Order 125, as well as all applicable federal and state regulations for Procurement and Grants Management

Selection Standards:

Eligibility Standards:

At the present time only 10 counties are eligible but additional data is indicating that other counties may also be affected.

Other Notes: