

## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

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

#### **Permanent Community-based Housing for Individuals Currently Diagnosed with a Mental Illness who are in a Nursing Facility, State or County Psychiatric Hospital or are Homeless**

**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:** Permanent Community-based Housing for Individuals Currently Diagnosed with a Mental Illness who are in a Nursing Facility, State or County Psychiatric Hospital or are Homeless

**Purpose:** This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) for the provision of Community Support Services (CSS) and community housing (unsupervised) to adult consumers age 18 and over being discharged from a New Jersey long term care or nursing facility (NF) or, with prior written DMHAS approval, persons being discharged from a State or County Psychiatric Hospital or persons experiencing homelessness.

**Available Funding Amount:** Total annualized funding for each award is \$525,950 subject to federal and State appropriations.

DMHAS anticipates making up to fifteen (15) awards. DMHAS seeks to award five (5) residences in each of the three (3) regions defined below. Each of the fifteen (15) residences will accommodate (3) individuals resulting in a minimum of forty-five (45) community housing placements served through this RFP, with up to forty-five (45) CSS consumers served. The regions are as follows:

Northern- (Sussex, Passaic, Bergen, Warren, Morris, Essex, Hudson)

Central- (Monmouth, Mercer, Middlesex, Hunterdon, Somerset, Union)

Southern- (Ocean, Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland, Atlantic, Cape May)

The ceiling for the deficit-funded, purchase of services contract for CSS will be up to \$175,950 in annualized funding for three (3) individuals. The purchase of services contracts for CSS are being funded by State appropriations.

In addition to a maximum of \$175,950 in annualized funding to provide CSS for three (3) individuals, up to \$350,000 in one-time Capital funding may be requested for: a) the purchase, or purchase and renovation of a single-family home, townhome or condominium with three (3) single bedroom accommodations for three (3) individual residents; or b) for physical modifications to a residence to be long-term leased; or c) or for physical modifications to a residence already owned by the bidder.

**Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:** To be eligible for consideration for this RFP, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder may be a non-profit or for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must be licensed by the Department of Health (DOH), Division of Certificate of Need Licensing (CN&L) to provide Community Support Services (CSS) prior to the start of services;
- For a bidder that has a contract with DMHAS in place when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission;
- The bidder must be fiscally viable based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DMHAS' sole discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve (12) months after bid submission, DMHAS will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;
- The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- Pursuant to DHS Contract Policy and Information Manual Policy Circular 8.05, the bidder shall not have a conflict, or the appearance of a conflict, between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. Persons in a position of trust include successful bidder, staff members, officers and Governing Board Members. A bidder must have written Conflict of Interest policies and procedures that satisfy the requirements of P8.05, thereby ensuring that paid Board members do not participate in transactions except as expressly provided in the P8.05 circular; and
- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue. (This statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies).

**Proposal Procedure:** June 6, 2024 the RFP is available at [www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html) and [www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/). A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

**Proposal Receiving Office:** Alicia Meyer  
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**Submission Deadline:** Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. ET on July 19, 2024.

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Sarah Adelman, Commissioner

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