NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

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

Community Peer Recovery Center

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: Community Peer Recovery Center

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) to develop regional Community Peer Recovery Centers (CPRC). The CPRC will be a place where individuals can access peer support, information about substance use disorder treatment, recovery support services, and information about other community resources in a supportive substance free environment. This RFP is funded through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) State Opioid Response to Grants (SOR) supplemental funding. The SOR grant funding period is September 30, 2019 to September 29, 2020. Total funding is \$700,000 subject to federal appropriations. DMHAS anticipates making up to seven (7) awards in the amount of \$100,000 each.

This funding is for start-up of seven (7) small-scale recovery centers that will provide peer-to-peer recovery support services to prevent recurrence of substance use and promote sustained recovery. Successful applicants will provide peer-to-peer recovery support services that are responsive to community needs. All activities and services are led and driven by "peers" (i.e. individuals who have experienced addiction and recovery, either directly or indirectly as a family member or friend). The overall goal of the CPRC is to provide a safe place for recovering individuals to gather in support of one another and experience sober living in a community setting. It is the ideal place for those in recovery to receive peer-to-peer support and attain guidance in a number of life-skill areas. The CPRC will offer social support and give those in recovery a place where they feel that they belong. CPRC will be a place where those in recovery can have the opportunity to give back to their community thereby fostering senses of empowerment and independence.

Available Funding Amount: Total annualized funding is \$700,000 subject to federal appropriations. DMHAS anticipates making up to seven (7) awards in the amount of \$100,000 each.

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;
- 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 (PoC) 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 at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors as an employee or in a consultant capacity; 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: Effective February 13, 2020, the Request for Proposal (RFP) is available at https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

Proposal Receiving Office:

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Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services

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Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on March 16, 2020.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before April 15, 2020.

Zarole Johnson, Commissioner

101/2, 2020 Date