

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

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

WOMEN'S SET ASIDE HALFWAY HOUSE BEDS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN AND WOMEN WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN

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: Women's Set Aside Halfway House Beds for Pregnant Women and Women with Dependent Children

Purpose: DMHAS is seeking letters of interest from the DMHAS currently contracted Halfway House provider community regarding the development of new capacity to meet the needs of the Women's Set Aside Federal Block Grant. The Women's Set Aside requires States to expend a percentage of their annual Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant allotment on services designed for pregnant women and women with dependent children.

Total Women's Set Aside Federal Block Grant funding is available for one (1) award for up to four (4) halfway house women with children beds at \$37,664 per bed totaling \$150,656 annually. In addition one-time dollars up to \$25,000 total will be available for start-up costs such as recruitment of staff, securing equipment and minor renovation or refurbishing costs. This is not new funding and is a rebidding of existing funding.

Available Funding Amount: A total of up to \$150,656 in annual funding and up to \$25,000 in one-time funding, subject to appropriations, is expected to be available.

Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:

DMHAS is looking to expeditiously expand the existing residential treatment Halfway House Substance Abuse Treatment (Level III.I) treatment capacity in order to address the residential treatment needs for pregnant women and/or women with dependent children. To be eligible for consideration for this RLI, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder must be a licensed residential treatment provider that is currently contracted with DMHAS to provide substance use disorder residential services;
- The bidder must be a non-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must have current licensed halfway house beds but not obligated capacity; have currently licensed halfway house beds that are not already

obligated to another funding source(s) or the capacity to increase their capacity of currently licensed halfway house beds;

- The 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 as debarred on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debsearch.shtml> or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds; and
- The bidder's Board of Directors must meet the standards set forth in N.J.A.C. 10:161A. The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors in a consultant capacity.

Proposal Procedure: Effective June 17, 2016, the Request for Letters of Interest (RLI) is available at www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html and www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/. A letter of interest must be submitted that comports with the RLI requirements and instructions.

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Submission Deadline: Letters of interest must be received by 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on July 15, 2016.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before August 12, 2016.


Elizabeth Connolly, Acting Commissioner

5/9/16
Date