

# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

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Capital District Developmental Disabilities  
Service Office (DDSO)  
Family Support Services  
30 Russell Road  
Albany, NY 12206-1379

FAMILIES CARING FOR A FAMILY MEMBER WITH A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY IN THE COUNTIES OF: ALBANY, FULTON, MONTGOMERY, RENSSELAER, SARATOGA, SCHENECTADY, SCHOHARIE, WARREN, AND WASHINGTON  
**Request for Proposals to Provide Family Support Services**

Seventy-five (75) percent of the subsequent award (\$192,000) is for the target population that consists of individuals with autism, autism spectrum disorder, and similar behavioral disorders. Proposals must provide access to family supports either by creating new programs or by enhancing existing programs for the target population. Priority will also be given to those proposed services that additionally emphasize accessibility, foster independence, integrity, individualization, and productivity within the community.

The remaining 25 percent (\$64,000) will be awarded to proposals that provide crisis prevention through Family Outreach, Training, and Educational opportunities for families with individuals with significant behavior, show a collaborative partnership with a local mental health provider in the community, and demonstrate how the program will be successful.

Applications will be accepted through January 2, 2007. Contracts are to begin 03/01/07, or later, for prorated phase in amount. *For an application, contact:* Ms. Melissa Simmons, at the above address or call (518) 486-1313, e-mail: [Melissa.Simmons@omr.state.ny.us](mailto:Melissa.Simmons@omr.state.ny.us)

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Education Department  
Curriculum, Instruction and Instructional Technology  
Room 320 EB  
Albany, NY 12234

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT(S)  
**Chapter 53 of the Laws of 2006; 2007 Summer Training for Teachers in Engineers of the Future Programs**

Grant funding in the amount of \$5 million is available for grants to colleges and universities in New York State for the costs of providing college or university-based summer training for teachers necessary to implement rigorous pre-engineering curricula in the middle and high school levels.

The applicant college or university must partner with public school district(s), charter school(s) and/or nonpublic schools and serve teachers in schools that are currently or will be implementing a rigorous pre-engineering program at the middle and/or high school level.

Applications for funding may be obtained at [www.emsc.nysed.gov](http://www.emsc.nysed.gov) under Funding Opportunities. Applications are must be postmarked by January 24, 2007. For additional information, contact Eric Suhr at (518) 474-5922 or at [emsceoff@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:emsceoff@mail.nysed.gov).

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PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS  
**New York State Education Law, Article 17, Section 801a; Chapter 53 of the Laws of 2006; Instruction in Civility, Citizenship and Character Education**

Grant funding in the amount of \$1,894,819 is available for three-year grants to public school districts and charter schools to develop and implement standards-based instruction on civility, citizenship and character education in any grades from kindergarten through grade 12.

Applicants may partner with other school districts and/or charter schools, nonpublic schools, colleges, universities, or other educational or cultural organizations within the State of New York. Grants will not exceed \$250,000 for the entire three-year period. Projects are expected to operate from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010.

Applications for funding may be obtained at [www.emsc.nysed.gov](http://www.emsc.nysed.gov) under Funding Opportunities. Applications are must be postmarked by January 24, 2007. For additional information, contact Anne Schiano at (518) 474-5922 or at [emschared@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:emschared@mail.nysed.gov).

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Education Department  
Public School Choice Programs  
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POTENTIAL CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICANTS, CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICANTS, AND ESTABLISHED CHARTER SCHOOLS IN NEW YORK STATE  
**Federal Funds for Public Charter Schools**

Grant funds totaling \$8.2 million are available for competitive grants for planning and implementing activities related to the establishment of new charter schools and the conversion of existing public schools into charter schools. The New York State Education Department will make \$4.1 million available for grants, and \$4.1 million will be available from the State University of New York Charter Schools Institute. Approximately \$500,000 will be available for grants from the State Education Department for dissemination activities conducted by charter schools that have been in operation for at least three years. Of the total funds

available from the New York State Education Department, \$3.8 million will support existing grants continuing into their second or third year. Approximately \$1 million will be available for new grants.

The grant application for a new grant is available at [www.emsc.nysed.gov](http://www.emsc.nysed.gov), under Funding Opportunities/Allocations. The due date of the application is January 24, 2007. For further information contact Jeanette Canaday at (518) 402-5422.

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**Hudson Valley DDSO - Rockland  
Orange and Sullivan Counties**

9 Wilbur Rd.  
Thiells, NY 10984  
Attn: Donna Dubreuil  
Telephone: 845-947-6025  
E-mail: [Donna.Dubreuil@omr.state.ny.us](mailto:Donna.Dubreuil@omr.state.ny.us)

**Hudson Valley DDSO - Westchester County**

220 White Plains Rd., Suite 675  
Tarrytown, NY 10591  
Attn: Claudia Spaziante  
Telephone: 914-332-8958  
E-mail: [Claudia.Spaziante@omr.state.ny.us](mailto:Claudia.Spaziante@omr.state.ny.us)

INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY AND RESIDE AT HOME WITH NATURAL FAMILIES TARGETED TO ROCKLAND, ORANGE, SULLIVAN AND WESTCHESTER COUNTIES

**Proposals that Create New Programs or Enhance Existing Programs for Individuals with Autism, Autism Spectrum Disorder and Similar Behavioral Disorders**

The New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD) through the regional office of Hudson Valley DDSO announces the availability of \$374,000 to provide Family Support Services to individuals who have a developmental disability and reside at home with natural families. Particular interest is in proposals that create new programs or enhance existing programs for individuals with autism, autism spectrum disorder and similar behavioral disorders. Priority will be given to proposals which emphasize accessibility for these individuals to existing Family Support Services Programs. The services covered in this RFP are targeted to four counties, as follows: Rockland, Orange, Sullivan and Westchester. Family Support Services is a family directed, statewide system of comprehensive services, which enhance a family's ability to provide care to their family member with a developmental disability. Developmental Disabilities include Mental Retardation, Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy, Autism, Neurological Impairment and Familial Dysautonomia. Types of services include but are not limited to: in-home and out-of-home respite; after school, after day program and school vacation respite/recreation; and evening and weekend recreation; one-to-one staffing for participants with autism; training for staff regarding autism and behavioral issues; services for physically disabled, non-ambulatory individuals. Each county has set particular priorities which are included in the RFP. The funding is allocated among the four counties as follows: Rockland Orange and Sullivan counties: \$164,560 Westchester County: \$209,440

For an application, please contact one of the two individuals above based on the county in which the service will be provided. Applications will be accepted through COB (5pm) Monday, January 12, 2007. A

Bidders Conference scheduled for Friday, December 8th from 10:00 am to Noon at Hudson Valley DDSO, Rockland Office, 5 Wilbur Rd, Rm. 11, Thiells, NY 10984. Please call for directions.

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**Office of Mental Retardation  
and Developmental Disabilities**

(New York City Regional Office)  
75 Morton Street – 6th Floor  
New York, NY 10014

VOLUNTARY PROVIDER AGENCIES, AND/OR INDIVIDUALS PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE MENTALLY RETARDED /DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED

**Request for Proposals for OMRDD Family Support Services Program (November 2006)**

Total funding available = \$2,199,000

Proposals due to the New York City Regional Office. (Attn. Ms. MaryEllen Tarangelo) by 4:00 PM on January 10, 2007.

Important Note: For a copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP) which provides comprehensive proposal preparation instructions, please contact Ms. Tarangelo at (212) 229-3245. This "announcement" does NOT supply all of the necessary information to respond to the RFP.

Regional Office contacts: Mary Ellen Tarangelo (212) 229-3245, Denise Alton (Fiscal) (212) 229-3251

The New York City Regional Office of the State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities announces the availability of funding to provide family support services to families that care at home for a family member with a disability. Most families caring for a family member with a developmental disability desire to raise their children in a family setting. However, these families may experience exceptionally high financial outlays and physical and emotional challenges for the complex task of supporting the needs of their children. The goal of the OMRDD Family Support Services Program is to assist families to remain intact for as long as they desire and to avoid unnecessary out of home placement. A priority is also to address the needs of those who remain unserved and underserved. Small and emerging agencies that provide services to the underserved and the unserved are encouraged to submit proposals. Any proposed service must foster independence, integration, individualization and productivity within the community for each person.

\* Important: This RFP requires that at least 75% of each borough's total funding allocation be directed toward addressing the needs of individuals (consumers) with autism or autism spectrum disorder and others with similar challenging behavior disorders. The funding must be used to create new programs or to enhance existing programs. Agencies are encouraged to submit proposals that emphasize accessibility for the targeted individuals across the full spectrum of family support services that have been developed over the years.

Funding (DDSO = Developmental Disabilities Services Office):  
Contact /Phone:

Important: For questions please contact the appropriate individual indicated below:

Total Funding Allocation by DDSO: \*(75% must be autism/ autism related) \*

Queens DDSO:	\$571,740 *	Sheila Gholson	(718) 217-6117
Brooklyn DDSO:	\$659,700 *	Eric Magwood	(718) 642-8659
Metro DDSO (Bronx)	\$373,830 *	Josie Astacio	(718) 430-0469
Metro DDSO (Manhattan)	\$373,830 *	Janet Davis	(212) 229-3112
Staten Island DDSO:	\$219,900 *	Leroy Smith	(718) 982-1903
Total:	\$2,199,000 *		

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it at www.otda.state.ny.us/cgo. Or, you may write to the individual and address listed below, fax to (518) 402-3029 or send an e-mail to renee.figueroa@otda.state.ny.us and provide detailed information including a contact name, organization/agency name, agency address, and telephone and fax number.

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance  
Office of Refugee and Immigrant Services  
40 North Pearl Street, 10th Floor  
Albany, NY 12243

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PUBLIC AGENCIES, COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS, OR ANY SUBDIVISION; NON-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS, INCLUDING CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS INCORPORATED, REGISTERED AND IN GOOD STANDING WITH THE CHARITIES BUREAU OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK; AND FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

LOCAL VOLUNTARY AGENCY AFFILIATES (VOLAGS) REGISTERED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW AS A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

**New York State Services to Cuban/Haitian Entrants Program**

**Refugee Preventive Health Program (RPHP)**

The Office of Refugee and Immigrant Services (ORIS) of the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) will make available up to \$450,000 for a 36 month period under the Request for Proposals (RFP).

Selected awardees are local voluntary agency affiliates (volags) that possess the appropriate status as a charitable organization to provide direct services for refugee resettlement in New York City. Agencies must be currently registered with the State of New York Department of Law as a charitable organization.

The purpose of the New York State Services to Cuban/Haitian Entrants program is to provide services to Cuban and Haitian entrants and refugees that are designed to increase positive outcomes in:

Consistent with Chapter 862 of the Laws of 1990, the agency named below requested an exemption from initially publishing the contract opportunity in the procurement opportunities newsletter, *i.e.*, the NYS Contract Reporter. In accordance with Section 144(2)(e) of the Economic Development Law, the Office of the State Comptroller has granted the exemption.

- Obtaining immigration status documentation
- Filing for adjustment of status
- Accessing immigration assistance
- Addressing language barriers

The federal Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) provides funds to states through the Refugee Preventive Health Program (RPHP) to "ensure that eligible refugees are screened for contagious diseases and receive referrals for appropriate follow-up care. The purpose of this program is to ensure the coordination of available preventive health services for refugees, asylees, entrants and other eligible populations."

The New York State Counties designated by the federal government as eligible for these funds are: Richmond, New York, Bronx, Kings, Queens, Onondaga, Erie, and Monroe. Due to funding limitations, OTDA will competitively select one applicant to provide services under this program.

The New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA), Office of Refugee and Immigrant Services (ORIS), will select from among the local voluntary resettlement agency affiliates within New York City which are appropriately qualified to assist eligible refugee populations to access quality health care. A total of \$151,525 is being made available to administer this program for a nine-month period beginning October 1, 2006.

Applications will be accepted through December 13, 2007 for Services to Cuban and Haitian Entrants. OTDA intends to award one 36-month contract with a total aggregate value of approximately \$450,000. The 36-month term will start on March 1, 2007 and end on February 28, 2010.

No applications will be accepted. Questions regarding this program may be directed to Tom Keenan at thomas.keenan@otda.state.ny.us.

Eligible applicants for the designated counties include public agencies, county or municipal governments, or any subdivision; not-for-profit corporations, including charitable organizations incorporated, registered and in good standing with the Charities Bureau of the Attorney General in the State of New York; and faith based organizations and educational institutions. In addition, eligible applicants must meet one of the following criteria:

- have an attorney on staff,
- be a Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) recognized agency with an accredited representative on staff, or
- be in the process of receiving BIA recognition/accreditation

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance  
Bureau of Supported Housing Development  
40 North Pearl Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Section B  
Albany, NY 12243  
Fax (518) 486-7068

The eligible applicant will provide outreach services designed to educate and empower the Cuban and Haitian communities to seek out services that are available to them, including services that are available through this program. Available services to be provided by the agency include group meetings to orient Cubans and Haitians to the immigration process. Agency staff will provide clients with assistance in moving them along the process of becoming lawful permanent residents and/or US citizens. In addition, language barriers will be addressed by programs that include English as a Second Language, Civics, and Literacy classes.

NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS, INCLUDING CHARITABLE AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS  
**Supported Housing for Families and Young Adults Program (SHFYA)**

- RFP Released . . . . . November 8, 2006
- Proposals Due . . . . . December 15, 2006
- Notification of Awards . . . . . January, 2006
- Contract Start . . . . . March 1, 2007 (on or about)

To obtain a copy of the New York State Services to Cuban/Haitian Entrants Request for Proposals and application package, you may find

The New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (hereinafter OTDA) announces a funding opportunity under the State's

2006-07 State Operations and Aid to Localities Budget for the Supported Housing for Families and Young Adults (SHFYA) Program. The funds appropriated under that budget can be provided to not-for-profit corporations, including charitable and faith-based organizations, for services and expenses related to a supportive housing program for families and/or young adults age 18 to 25, who are eligible for benefits under the State plan for the Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant, whose incomes do not exceed 200 percent of the Federal poverty level and, unless in receipt of public assistance, whose participation in such a program would not constitute "assistance" under Federal TANF regulations.

Proposals will be accepted from not-for-profit corporations, including charitable and faith-based organizations, which will provide services to homeless families; families at risk of exceeding and those that have exceeded their TANF assistance time limit; families with multiple barriers to employment and housing stability; families at risk of foster care placement; families that are reuniting after foster care placement; young adults aging out of the foster care system; runaway and homeless youths; and/or youth subject to criminal charges who are at-risk of incarceration. Successful applicants will be required to certify that families and young adults served under the SHFYA Program have incomes that are at or below 200 percent of the Federal poverty level.

The purpose of the SHFYA Program is to provide comprehensive support services designed to stabilize, enhance employability, and/or enhance self-sufficiency for those residents (eligible families and young adults between the ages of 18 and 25) of supported housing who are formerly homeless, at-risk of homelessness, and/or at risk of exceeding or have exceeded the TANF time limits. Applications may be submitted by an organization that currently operates, owns, or leases transitional or permanent supported housing units, or by an agency working in cooperation with a supporting organization. In the latter instance, a formal agreement establishing the relationship between the two organizations must be presented as part of the proposal. The primary applicant (housing operator) will contract with OTDA and have full legal responsibility to implement the proposed project, but will define an area or areas of the project in which it will receive substantial assistance from the supporting organization. The supporting organization will subcontract with the primary applicant. Service providers that do not operate, own, or lease transitional or permanent supported housing units may not be the primary applicant for the purposes of this RFP.

To obtain a copy of the SHFYA Request for Proposals (RFP) and application package, write to the address listed below, fax to (518) 486-7068 or e-mail to [richard.umholtz@otda.state.ny.us](mailto:richard.umholtz@otda.state.ny.us) and provide detailed information including a contact name, organization/agency name, agency address, and telephone and fax number.

Consistent with Chapter 862 of the Laws of 1990, the agency named below requested an exemption from initially publishing the contract opportunity in the procurement opportunities newsletter, i.e. the NYS Contract Reporter. In accordance with Section 144(2)(e) of the Economic Development Law, the Office of the State Comptroller has granted the request. Applications will be accepted through N/A for The Disability Advocacy Program (DAP) which provides legal assistance to individuals whose federal disability benefits have been denied or may be discontinued. Current contractors have been awarded a single source exemption for this program to continue through December 2007.

Contact: Edward Hennessy, 40 N. Pearl St., Albany, NY 12243, (518) 473-0866, e-mail: [Ed.Hennessy@otda.state.ny.us](mailto:Ed.Hennessy@otda.state.ny.us)

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Division of Transitional Supports and Policy  
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INDIVIDUALS WHOSE FEDERAL DISABILITY BENEFITS HAVE  
BEEN DENIED OR MAY BE CONTINUED  
**The Disability Advocacy Program (DAP)**