

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Office of Children and Family Services
Office of Youth Development
52 Washington St.
Rensselaer, NY 12144

COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS

Advantage After School Program

Proposals must be received by 6:00 P.M. May 15, 2006. The New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) have converted the multi-State agency e-Grants system to an online bidders list (OBL) for use in announcing OCFS procurement opportunities. The OCFS OBL is maintained electronically and can be found at <https://ocfsws.ocfs.state.ny.us/obl/>. If you wish to receive announcements of this procurement and future procurement opportunities and be able to download solicitation documents you must register on the OBL and associate yourself with an organization.

OCFS invites community-based organizations and faith-based organizations working in partnership with local schools to submit proposals for the creation of quality youth development programs during after school hours. The program must be operated by a community-based organization or faith-based organization in partnership with one or more of the target schools listed below, based on a formal Partnership Agreement(s). These eight schools were target schools in two Advantage After School Program contracts awarded to a Community Based Organization (CBO) that closed prior to the end of the contract funding periods. A total of \$600,000 is available under this Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). An Advantage After School Program application under this NOFA may not exceed \$300,000. This maximum award amount is based on a twelve-month period and funding may be renewed for up to three additional years. The decision whether to renew an award will be based upon the availability of funds and satisfactory performance. The number of grants awarded under this NOFA will be determined based on the number of quality proposals that are received and the amount of available funds.

Target Schools

1. PS-29 Melrose School
2. PS-36 Unionport
3. CS-57 Crotona Ave
4. PS-72 Dr. William Corney
5. PS-75 Spot Light on Excellence
6. PS-93 Albert G. Oliver
7. PS-138 Samuel Randall
8. IS-174 Eugene T. Maleska

These after school programs must operated in cooperation with schools, school districts, and child care, after school, cultural and other community-based providers. Preference will be given to community-based providers with local matching funds, in-kind contributions, funds contributed by local school districts and any other

contributions that are available for operation of the Advantage After School Program.

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services Advantage After School Program supports the development of youth programs designed to offer educational, socialization and recreational activities to school age youth in safe and accessible places during after-school hours. The Advantage After School Programs have four required program outcomes:

- To improve the social, emotional, academic and vocational competencies of school-age children and youth.
- To prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock adolescent pregnancies.
- To reduce other negative youth behaviors such as violence and crime; tobacco, alcohol and substance abuse; disengagement from school; school suspension; and truancy and health-compromising behaviors.
- To provide parents with a safe after-school environment for their children and youth.

OCFS invites community-based organizations and faith-based organizations working in partnership with local schools to submit proposals for the creation of quality youth development programs during after school hours. The program must be operated by a community-based organization or faith-based organization in partnership with a school, based on a formal Partnership Agreement. The programs will offer a broad range of educational, recreational and cultural age-appropriate activities that integrate what happens in the school day with less formal learning experiences. Programs selected for funding are to provide parents with a safe after school environment for their children and youth. Children, youth and family members are to be actively involved in the design and delivery of program activities. Each program must be open to all children and youth from the school area. The expectation is that the program will enroll a group of children or youth who will attend daily. The Advantage After School Programs must be available at a minimum of three hours after each school day. The intent of the Advantage After School Program is to provide a five-day-a-week/ three-hour-a-day program. Funds are not available for regular weekend and summer programming. Programs serving children under 13 years old must complete the registration process for school-age child care (SACC) outlined in OCFS Regulations at 18 NYCRR Part 414.

An Advantage After School Program application for funding may not exceed \$300,000. The application amount is expected not to exceed \$1,250 per youth. For example, a program site that has a maximum anticipated daily attendance of 100 youth would be awarded an Advantage After School Program grant of \$125,000. Advantage After School Program funds are intended to be used primarily for the direct delivery of services and activities to program participants. Funds for training staff, encouraging parent participation, recruiting and retaining hard-to-reach youth, involving youth in program design, program scheduling, program coordination and staff supervision are considered direct services activities for this program. Funds may not be used to major renovations or capital construction.

Requirements: Incorporated community-based, not-for-profit organizations, including faith-based organizations. Public agencies are not eligible to apply. Multiple applications submitted by the same agency must be submitted separately and will be considered separately. Note: All successful bidders (and subsequent subcontractors) selected by OCFS to sponsor Advantage After School Program projects funded under this RFP must comply with applicable NYS and Federal (TANF) regulations, rules, and procedures including related reporting requirements as cited in this RFP and in the agreement with OCFS. Subcontracting Provisions: In accordance with Standard NYS Appendix A.

Contract Term: Awards will be made for twelve months beginning September 1, 2006 with one-year renewals for an additional three years subject to availability of funding and satisfactory contractor performance.

Applications may be downloaded from the OCFS Bidder's List at <http://ocfs.state.ny.us/obl>. To request a hard copy of the application, e-mail: judy.mills@ocfs.state.ny.us.

For an application contact: Judy Mills, Director, Advantage After School Program, Office of Children and Family Services, South Building, Rm. 309, 52 Washington St., Rensselaer, NY 12144, Fax (518) 402-3715, e-mail address: judy.mills@ocfs.state.ny.us

Department of Environmental Conservation

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FIRE COMPANIES

Rural Volunteer Fire Assistance

Pursuant to the Agriculture Appropriations Act, Section 7(b)3 of P.L. 95-313 (Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978), the Department of Environmental Conservation hereby gives notice of the following:

The Department of Environmental Conservation will administer the Volunteer Fire Assistance matching grant to assist rural fire companies in the purchase of fire suppression equipment. Applications will be accepted through May 15, 2006.

It is expected that \$300,000 in federal funding will be available to award fire companies matching grants for the purchase of wildland fire suppression equipment and wildland fire suppression safety equipment. Grants are based on federal guidelines and are for use in fire districts serving populations under 10,000 population.

Applications are scored on population, the I.S.O Fire Prevention Insurance rating, the date of the last V.F.A. grant received and the presence of Native American communities in the district.

For further information, contact: Joseph Zeglen, Division of Forest Protection and Fire Management, at the above address or call (518) 402-8839

REVISED NOTICE

Department of Health

Bureau of Child and Adolescent Health
School Health Program

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Albany, New York 12237-0618

ARTICLE 28 FACILITIES

School-Based Health Center Program

A Request for Applications (RFA) is being issued by the New York State Department of Health, School Health Program, announcing the availability of funding to provide School-Based Health Center (SBHC) services at SBHC clinics located in high-need schools throughout New York State. SBHCs provide primary and preventive health and mental health services to enrolled children and youth attending schools in areas where access to such services is limited.

To be eligible to apply for funding under this RFA, applicants must be:

- A not-for-profit hospital or a diagnostic and treatment center approved to operate in New York State under Article 28 of the Public Health Law with experience delivering primary and preventive care to school-age children and youth; and
- A sponsor of one or more approved SBHCs; OR have submitted a complete site establishment application post-marked by August 12, 2005 that included all components for establishing one or more SBHC sites as instructed in the School Health Program letter issued on June 21, 2005.

Responses to the SBHC RFA will be accepted through June 12, 2006. Approximately \$11 million will be available per year in contracts for the next five-year contract period.

For an RFA package: Applications are available on the Department of Health's website: <http://www.health.state.ny.us/funding>. Applications can also be obtained by contacting Annette Johnson at the address above, or by calling Ms. Johnson at (518) 486-4966

Department of Health

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Albany, NY 12237

NOT-FOR-PROFIT TEACHING HOSPITALS RFA for Diabetes Centers of Excellence

The purpose of this initiative is to designate Diabetes Centers of Excellence serving as New York State's premier hospital-based diabetes specialty centers. The Centers will incorporate current science into comprehensive, integrated and multi-disciplinary collaborative approaches for the prevention, early diagnosis and treatment of pre-diabetes and diabetes. The Centers of Excellence will demonstrate the potential for hospital-based diabetes programs to spearhead positive healthcare practice changes, disseminate findings and contribute toward sustainable systems change. It is expected that this initiative will become effective October 1, 2006 and continue through September 30, 2011.

Applications will be accepted through June 16, 2006. Applications for funds available under this RFA will only be accepted from not-for-profit teaching hospitals in New York State. Applicants must have an established diabetes program. Applicants with a demonstrated record of engagement with community-based organizations (e.g. YMCA, Cooperative Extension, Urban League) local health units, community health partnerships, local business groups, faith-based organizations, and/or other health-related organizations are encouraged to apply. Institutions with a demonstrated record of working with minority and underserved populations are encouraged to apply.

For more information contact: Susan Millstein, Department of Health, Diabetes Prevention and Control Program, Riverview Center, 3rd Floor, 150 Broadway, Menands, NY 12204, (518) 474-1222, sml11@health.state.ny.us

Office of Mental Health
 Community Budget and Fiscal Services
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 7th Floor
 Albany, NY 12229

NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND HOSPITALS THAT OPERATE PROGRAMS SERVING ADULTS WITH SERIOUS PSYCHIATRIC DISABILITIES; MUST BE FISCALLY VIABLE AND IN GOOD STANDING WITH THEIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NYS OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH

Case Management and Peer Services in Specific Impacted New York City Adult Homes

In the spring of 2002, at the direction of Governor Pataki, the Commissioner of the Department of Health (DOH) appointed a workgroup to make recommendations to improve conditions for residents in adult care facilities. In response to these recommendations the Office of Mental Health, working in cooperation with the Department of Health and the Commission on Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled (CQC), is restructuring the delivery of mental health services to the mentally ill residents who reside in adult homes that have either 25 residents or 25 percent of the total resident population receiving mental health services. As part of the initiative the OMH is issuing this Request for Proposals for the development of supportive case management (utilizing supportive case managers) and peer services. Case management and peer services will be provided, as resources allow, for individuals residing in these adult homes in New York City (Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond Counties). Contracts will be awarded for a one year period with four additional one year renewals for a maximum of five years. Estimated contract start date, September 2006.

A copy of the RFP can be obtained by contacting: Susan Reilly, Office of Mental Health, Community Budget and Fiscal Services, 7th Floor, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY, 12229, Fax: (518) 402-2529, e-mail address: cocscr@omh.state.ny.us. The RFP can also be obtained from the OMH web site: www.omh.state.ny.us/omhweb/news/

All interested applicants are asked to submit a letter of intent to Susan Reilly at the above address by April 26, 2006. Completed proposals must be sent to Susan Reilly, NYS Office of Mental Health, Community Budget and Fiscal Services, 7th Floor, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229.

Proposals must be received by 3 pm, June 12, 2006.

Office of Mental Retardation
 and Developmental Disabilities
 Central New York Developmental Services Office
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VOLUNTARY NOT-FOR-PROFIT PROVIDER AGENCIES; INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY AND RESIDE AT HOME WITH NATURAL FAMILIES

Request For Proposals for OMRDD "Family Support Services"

The New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD) through the regional office of Central New York DSO announces the availability of \$211,500 to provide Family Support Services to individuals who have a developmental disability and reside at home with natural families. The services covered in this RFP are targeted to eight counties as follows: Cayuga, Cortland, Onondaga, Oswego, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison and Oneida. 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 and Neurological Impairment. 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.

The funding is allocated among the eight counties as follows:

Cayuga County:	\$14,356
Cortland County:	\$26,017
Onondaga County:	\$80,277
Oswego County:	\$21,437
Herkimer, Lewis, Madison and Oneida Counties:	\$69,413

Proposals due to the Central New York DSO Office (Attn: Mr. Tom Nelson) by 4:00 p.m. on April 28, 2006.

Important Note: For a copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP) which provides comprehensive proposal instructions, please contact Mr. Nelson at the above address or call (315) 473-6653, or e-mail: Thomas.Nelson@omr.state.ny.us. This "announcement" does NOT supply all of the necessary information to respond to the RFP. Each county has set particular priorities which are specified in the RFP.