

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Department of Agriculture and Markets
10B Airline Drive
Albany, NY 12235

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AND FARMLAND PROTECTION BOARDS AND MUNICIPALITIES

Agricultural and Farmland Protection Program

Pursuant to Article 25-AAA of the Agriculture and Markets Law, applications will be accepted through June 30, 2006 for financial assistance in the form of matching grants to support the implementation of agricultural and farmland protection plans developed by counties and other municipalities. Eligible applicants include (1) county agricultural and farmland protection boards in counties with an approved county plan developed pursuant to Section 324 of Article 25-AAA of the Agriculture and Markets Law; or (2) any municipality which has in place a local farmland protection plan. Eligible projects must, at a minimum, be consistent with the activities, programs and strategies found in the applicant's agricultural and farmland protection plan. Proposals from municipalities must be endorsed for funding by the agricultural farmland protection board for the county in which the municipality is located. Priority consideration will be given to proposals that preserve viable agricultural lands which are located in areas facing significant development pressure and which serve as a buffer to a significant natural public resource containing important ecosystem or habitat characteristics. Awards shall not exceed 75 percent of the total cost of the proposal. Applicants are required to provide at least a 25 percent match which may not include other State funds.

For an application, contact: David Behm at david.behm@agmkt.state.ny.us or (518) 457-2713, or visit the Department's website at www.agmkt.state.ny.us

Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (DDPC)

155 Washington Ave., 2nd Fl.
Albany, NY 12210

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WITH PROGRAMS INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) THERAPEUTIC RECREATION, SPORTS AND TOURISM, SPORTS MANAGEMENT, RECREATION, RECREATION AND LEISURE, RECREATION LEADERSHIP, PHYSICAL THERAPY, OUTDOOR RECREATION, NATURAL RESOURCE RECREATION AND SPORTS, FITNESS AND RECREATIONAL SPORTS MANAGEMENT, AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES STUDIES

Establish a Statewide College-Based Inclusive Recreation Resource Center and Matching Service

One grant of up to \$175,000 per year for a potential three years will be funded by DDPC to develop a sustainable, statewide college- or

university-based Inclusive Recreational Resource Center (IRRC) that promotes inclusive recreation, sports and leisure activities. Contract continuations are subject to availability of Federal funds and should not be construed as automatic. The DDPC will also review the project's progress annually for demonstrated project performance and timely submission of required grant reports.

The college- or university-based IRRC would make the necessary modifications to its curriculum and/or program to include and promote inclusive activities for persons with developmental disabilities with their friends and families, inclusive activities being those that occur in typical settings available to the general public, that promote the individual's choice, that provide a variety of recreational activities, and that lead to reduced discrimination, stereotyping and prejudice. The applicant's program and budget narratives must provide the justification for the grant amount requested. The DDPC may also consider geographic diversity, provision of services to traditionally underserved populations, the strength of the sustainability plan, and prior history of project and grant management with the DDPC.

At a minimum, the grant recipient will:

- Make the above-stated modifications to existing college- or university-based curriculum or programs;
- Develop, pilot and conduct a baseline survey of inclusive recreation available in the State;
- Develop and update as computer database of information derived from the survey, including demographics and level of inclusiveness of individual activities;
- Advertise the availability of the inclusive recreation database; and
- Establish a no-cost matching and referral service to link persons with developmental disabilities and their families with recreation, spots and leisure opportunities by region in the State.

The full RFP can be downloaded from www.ddpc.state.ny.us All interested applicants are asked to submit a one-page letter of intent by May 12, 2006 to James Huben, Program Planner, at the address above. Letters of intent are required to assist the DDPC in identifying interest and the potential applicant pool. All final grant applications should be sent to Sheila Carey, Executive Director, and must be delivered to the DDPC office by close of business (5:00 pm) on May 26, 2006.

REVISED NOTICE
Education Department
Charter Schools Unit
Rm. 462 EBA
Albany, NY 12234

POTENTIAL CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICANTS, CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICANTS, AND CHARTER SCHOOLS
Charter Schools State Funds, Laws of 2000

Competitive funds in the amount of \$3,850,000 are available for start-up and facilities grants to potential charter school applicants, charter

school applicants and charter schools. Of the total amount, \$3,388,000 will be available from the SUNY Charter School Institute and \$462,000 will be available from the State Education Department.

Start-up grants are for costs associated with the initial implementation of a charter school. Facilities grants will cover costs associated with the acquisition, renovation, or construction of school facilities.

Application materials for the funds available from the State Education Department (\$462,000) will be available at www.emsc.nysed.gov under Funding Opportunities. Applications will be accepted through June 19, 2006. Grants will extend from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

For further information: send an email to emscscsp@mail.nysed.gov or contact Dr. Darlene Mengel, Public School Choice Programs, at (518) 474-1762 or Jeanette Canaday, Grants Management Office, at (518) 474-3936

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
Bureau of Training and Management Analysis
40 N. Pearl St.
Albany, NY 12243

TYPE OF RECIPIENT: Cornell University – School of Industrial Relations through the Cornell Office of Sponsored Programs TRAINING SERVICES

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.

The Human Services Leadership Institute (HSLI) is a unique training and consulting partnership between the Cornell University School of Industrial Relations and State and County levels of government. This certificate project is designed to enhance local departments of social services (ldss) operations through labor-relations and business model improvements. Technical assistance in county social services processes and managerial oversight is provided to local commissioners and staff. Cornell staff trained in interpersonal negotiation and conflict-resolution skills developed and provide a series of competency-based courses in performance measurement techniques, process re-engineering and facilitation. HSLI has been very successful in developing local county ldss staff to work as internal consultants to identify business process problems and find solutions at the worker level. Cornell is also able to capitalize on existing State/local operational knowledge and labor-relations in Food Stamp, Medicaid and Title IV-E to insure continuity in State/local operations.

The term of this agreement is January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2011.

No applications will be accepted for this program.

If you have any questions, contact: Regina Andrews, at the above address or call (518) 473-4349