NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Office of Children and Families Services
52 Washington Street
Rensselaer, NY 12144

NOT-FOR-PROFIT AND FOR-PROFIT CHILD DAY CARE
CENTERS, SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE PROGRAMS AND
OTHER NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (SEE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION FOR
ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS)

Great Opportunities to Expand the Availability of and/or Improve
the Quality of Care in Regulated Child Care Settings

Applications for all program types, except Health and Safety grants
$15,000 and under, will be accepted on 04/14/06, 07/14/06. Applications may be submitted for Health and Safety grants $15,000
and under may be submitted by the 10th of each month, beginning on

The Office of Children and Family Services is making available a
series of grant opportunities to expand the availability of and/or
improve the quality of care in regulated child care settings. The
specific funding categories included in the RFP are: Child Day Care
Center and School Age Start Up and Expansion Programs; Expansion
of Hours of Existing Child Day Care Centers and School Age Child
Care Programs; Health and Safety grants, Innovative Programs
Initiative and Accreditation grants to reimburse programs for
successfully completing nationally recognized accreditation processes.

Requirements: All categories except for the Innovative Programs
Initiative are open to the not-for-profit AND for-profit child day care
center, school age child care programs, other not-for-profit
organizations and government agencies. The Innovative Programs
Initiative category is limited to government and not-for-profit
organizations. Subcontracting Provisions: In accordance with
Standard NYS Appendix A.

For an application, contact: Suzanne Sennett, Bureau of Early
Childhood Services, 52 Washington St., N. Bldg., Rm. 338, Rensse-
laer, NY 12144, (518) 474-9454

Office of Mental Retardation
and Developmental Disabilities
Sunmount Developmental Disabilities Service Office
2445 State Route 30
Tupper Lake, NY 12986

VOLUNTARY NOT-FOR-PROFIT PROVIDER AGENCIES
Request for Proposals for OMRDD "Family Support Services"

For: Voluntary not-for-profit (NFP) provider agencies providing
services to the mentally retarded/developmentally disabled in the
following six-county catchments area: Clinton/Franklin/Essex/Hamilton/Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties. Total funding available =
$103,000.

Proposals due to the Sunmount Developmental Disabilities Service
Office Attn: Ms. Mary Chartier by 4:00 p.m. on April 26, 2006:
Important Note: For a copy of the Request for Proposal (RFP) which
provides comprehensive proposal preparation instructions, please
contact Ms. Chartier. This "announcement" does NOT supply all of the
necessary information to respond to the RFP.

Sunmount DDSO Contact Person: Ms. Mary Chartier, (518)
359-2962, (518) 359-7657 (fax)

The New York State Office of Mental Retardation and
Developmental Disabilities (NYOMRDD) and the Sunmount
Developmental Disabilities Service Office (Sunmount DDSO)
announces the availability of Family Support Services (FSS) funding
to provide Goods and Services (Reimbursement/Voucher/Subsidy) to
families that care at home for a family member with a disability. The
goal of the OMRRD FSS 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.

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provides comprehensive proposal preparation instructions, please
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information necessary to provide a complete response to the RFP.

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
Division of Employment and Transitional Supports
40 North Pearl Street
Albany, NY 12243

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.

In an effort to gain a wider geographic distribution of services
for TANF recipients with special employment needs, Challenge
Industries, Inc. and St. Lawrence–Lewis BOCES have been selected
to operate Local Interagency VESID Employment Services (LIVES)
programs in Tompkins and St. Lawrence counties, respectively.
Through LIVES, these organizations will provide ongoing supports
to ensure that participants receive the services they need to succeed in employment.

This will be achieved by:
• Obtaining the documentation and other information needed to establish a LIVES participant's eligibility for VESID services;
• Identifying the personal, family and disability issues that must be addressed in order for Family Assistance recipients and other low-income family members with physical and/or mental impairments to successfully participate in employment or employment related activities;
• Developing the steps these individuals need to take to overcome these barriers;
• Connecting LIVES participants in a timely manner with the required programs and activities that are countable towards the federal participation rate; and
• Ensuring that program partners are provided with thorough and appropriate information in a timely fashion.

APPLICATIONS
A total of $152,816 is being made available to Challenge Industries, Inc. and $198,000 for St. Lawrence – Lewis BOCES to support this program for one year beginning May 1, 2006.

No applications will be accepted. Questions regarding this program may be directed to John Haley at JohnA.Haley@otda.state.ny.us.