

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Division of Criminal Justice Services
4 Tower Place
Albany, NY 12203

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES
Federal Title II Formula Grant Program**

Subject to the availability of funding, the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit applications from local government and not-for-profit agencies for the Federal Title II Formula Grant Program.

Applications received on or before October 5, 2007 (Noon EDT) via DCJS' on-line Grants Management System (GMS) will be accepted.

Applications are available on-line at: <http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us/ofpa/newrfp.htm> or may be obtained by e-mailing DCJS at funding@dcjs.state.ny.us.

REVISED NOTICE
Office of Mental Health
Community Budget and Fiscal Services
44 Holland Avenue
Albany, NY 12229

**NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT OPERATE RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE MENTALLY ILL THAT ARE CURRENTLY FUNDED AND LICENSED BY OMH
Family Support Enhancement for Families of Children in Residential Programs**

The New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) is pleased to announce the availability of funds for family engagement and support services targeted to OMH-licensed residential programs. The primary purposes of the funding are to: (1) Expand the provision of family support services to families of children with serious emotional/behavioral issues in residential programs. (2) Improve the ability of the staff of residential programs to engage families in the development and implementation of treatment plans through training and consultation, as well as to improve staff's understanding of and adherence to CASSP principles. (3) Strengthen the family support services infrastructure.

The term of the agreement will be for one year with the option to extend for four additional one-year periods. Total funding for this initiative is \$885,000 with regional sub-allocations as follows: New York City and the Lower Hudson River Region \$400,000 - \$450,000; Upper Hudson River Region \$50,000 - \$100,000, Western New York Region \$140,000; Central New York Region \$85,000; Long Island Region \$125,000.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS: Not-for-profit organizations that operate residential programs for the mentally ill that are currently funded and licensed by the New York State Office of Mental Health. Eligible providers must be in good standing. Eligible subcontractors are 501

(c)(3) organizations whose primary purpose is to provide needed supports to families of children with serious emotional/behavioral disorders.

PROPOSALS DUE: August 31, 2007 by 5:00pm to the Regional offices listed in Appendix I of the RFP. The complete Request for Proposal can be obtained on the OMH website, www.omh.state.ny.us.

REVISED PROPOSAL DUE DATE: SEPTEMBER 14, 2007

QUESTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 7, 2007

All questions or requests for clarification must be submitted in writing to the Issuing Officer. Questions and answers will be posted on the OMH website. Issuing Officer: Susan Reilly, New York State Office of Mental Health, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229, cocscsr@omh.state.ny.us.

Division of Probation and
Correctional Alternatives (DPCA)
80 Wolf Road, Suite 501
Albany, NY 12205

PUBLIC AGENCIES OR PRIVATE NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN NEW YORK STATE THAT ARE ESTABLISHED AGENCIES OR DEPARTMENTS THAT PROVIDE PROBATION OR ALTERNATIVES-TO-INCARCERATION PROGRAMS

Operation of Regional Residential Centers for Those Individuals for Whom Probation Has Filed a Violation or is Likely to File a Violation, with a Recommendation for a Period of Incarceration

DPCA is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the operation of regional residential centers for probationers, enumerated herein, with pending probation violations and/or those probationers for whom a violation is likely to be filed. DPCA anticipates funding up to three (3) regional centers. Centers should be located in regions with a demonstrated need and where the center is able to provide services to probationers from multiple counties. Preference will be given to proposals that incorporate evidence-based practices currently employed in the field of community corrections and those employed to meet the specialized needs of the identified population(s).

The total annual amount of funds available through this RFP is \$200,000 for each year of operation. It is anticipated that funding during the current fiscal year will continue to be available for successful project services beyond the first of implementation. Start-up is anticipated for January 1, 2008. No cash match commitment is required for the use of these state funds. However, project administrative expenses shall not exceed 15% of the proposed operating project budget. Capital construction is excluded from budgetary consideration. The contract term shall be for five (5) years, with four one year renewals and subject to the annual appropriation of funds.

Service providers eligible to apply include public agencies or private, not-for profit organizations within New York State that are established agencies or departments that provide probation or alternatives-to-incarceration programs. Services are limited to aforementioned

participants eligible for community-based corrections in accordance with criminal court orders.

Applications will be accepted through Friday, October 19, 2007, 4 P.M. Eastern Daylight Savings Time. RFP application materials are available on DPCA's website: www.dpca.state.ny.us. For additional information, contact Howard R. Bancroft, Administrative Officer, NYS Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives (DPCA), 80 Wolf Road – Suite 501, Albany, New York 12205 at (518) 485-5145.

State Emergency Management Office
 1220 Washington Avenue, Building #22
 Albany, NY 12226-2251

LOCAL UNITS OF GOVERNMENT

Citizen Corps Program

Available to local units of government as defined in the Conference Report accompanying the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2006, meaning "any county, city, village, town, district, borough, parish, port authority, transit authority, intercity rail provider, commuter rail system, freight rail provider, water district, regional planning commission, council of government, Indian tribe with jurisdiction over Indian country, authorized tribal organization, Alaska Native village, independent authority, special district, or other political subdivision of any State."

Through the FY 2007 Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), the State of New York was awarded a total of \$668,107.00 for the Citizen Corps Program (CCP), 80 percent of which (\$534,486.00) is available to local governments and tribal nations in the form of a competitive reimbursement grant.

The Citizen Corps Program is a grass-roots initiative to actively involve all citizens in hometown security through personal preparedness, training, and volunteer service. The FY07 CCP funds will be used to support Citizen Corps Councils with all-hazards planning, public education and communication, training, exercises, equipment, management of Citizen Corps programs and activities, and equipping volunteers who have a role in disaster response. The FY2007 Citizen Corps funds provide resources for local communities to:

- 1) Bring together the appropriate leadership to form and sustain a Citizen Corps Council;
- 2) Develop and implement a plan or amend existing plans to achieve widespread citizen preparedness and participation;
- 3) Conduct public education and outreach;
- 4) Ensure clear alerts/warnings and emergency communication with the public;
- 5) Develop training programs for the public, for both all-hazards preparedness and volunteer responsibilities;
- 6) Facilitate citizen participation in exercises;
- 7) Implement volunteer programs and activities to support emergency responders;
- 8) Involve citizens in surge capacity roles and responsibilities in alignment with the Emergency Support Functions and Annexes; and
- 9) Conduct evaluations of programs and activities.

For an application, contact: The Request for Applications (RFA) and application packet will be posted on SEMO's website (www.nysemo.state.ny.us) on or about the date of the official award of the funds to the State by the Federal Office of Homeland Security. The State received the award on August 13, 2007. Applicant grant submissions must be postmarked no later than Monday, October 1, 2007.

For additional assistance or questions, please contact Nora Porter in SEMO's Recovery Section at (518) 292-2326 or nora.porter@semo.state.ny.us.

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

NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Homelessness Prevention Program

The Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (hereinafter "OTDA") announces a funding opportunity through the Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program for the Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP). The primary purpose of the HPP is to prevent the eviction of at-risk families and/or to obtain suitable permanent housing for such families.

The RFP solicits applications from not-for-profit organizations, including charitable and faith-based organizations, incorporated in the State of New York, to provide eviction prevention services for at-risk families who are referred to them by the New York City Human Resources Administration (HRA) or the Housing Courts.

Applicants are urged to submit proposals that demonstrate a comprehensive program designed to meet the objectives of HPP. Current HPP contractors must submit a proposal in response to this RFP to be considered for funding.

APPLICATIONS

The RFP may be obtained at: http://www.otda.state.ny.us/cgo/procurement_bid.htm or by contacting Suzannah Ursprung at 518-486-4040. All proposals must be received at 40 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York by 4:00 PM, October 10, 2007.

This RFP governs the provision of HPP services for an anticipated cycle starting on January 16, 2008 and ending January 15, 2013. Contract terms may be for up to 5 years. Contractors will be required to submit an annual work plan and budget that will be reviewed and approved by the OTDA.

For contract year 1 (01/16/2008 – 1/15/2009) it is anticipated that the OTDA will award up to a total of \$4.5 million for all HPP contracts. For subsequent annual cycles, the allocation is anticipated to remain the same, subject to the availability of funds. Award amounts for subsequent years for individual grantees may change based on performance.

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TYPE OF RECIPIENT

The Learning Disability Association of Western New York (LDA of WNY) has been selected to provide training to local departments of social services (LDSS) and State Jobs staff in the areas of learning disabilities screening and accommodations. LDA of WNY will train staff on a regional basis in the use of the Washington State Learning Needs Screening Tool and the Empire State Spanish Language screening tool as well as the Compensations, Accommodations, Modifications and Strategies: New York Version (CAMS/NY) tool. This screening will supplement basic employability assessments to uncover hidden disabilities and provide workplace strategies to assist with achievement of self-sufficiency.

APPLICATIONS

The reauthorization of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) requires States to meet significantly increased work participation rates, or lose millions in federal reimbursement. Closing public assistance cases due to employment has a positive impact on the rate calculation methodology. Each month nearly 8,000 public assistance recipients find jobs, but many are unable to sustain employment and fall

back onto assistance due to undetected employment barriers. The Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance must take every step to help these individuals remain employed. Training district staff to recognize the possible presence of learning disabilities and identify workplace accommodations and strategies to address those disabilities will greatly improve districts' chances of engaging individuals with barriers in countable work activities as well assisting those individuals to obtain and retain competitive employment.

A total of \$50,000 is being made available to conduct this program for an eleven month period beginning September 15, 2007.

No applications will be accepted. Questions regarding this program may be directed to Elise Melesky at EliseA.Melesky@otda.state.ny.us.

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TYPE OF RECIPIENT

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 Strengthening Families Through Stronger Fathers (Fatherhood) Initiative consists of five pilot programs throughout New York and a statewide non-custodial earned income tax credit (EITC). The Urban Institute (UI) has been chosen as a single source contractor to perform an evaluation of this Fatherhood Initiative. This is a comprehensive evaluation which will provide an assessment of the effectiveness of this Fatherhood Initiative. This evaluation will look at programs and participants at each of the five pilot sites as well as analyze the new EITC over the four year evaluation period.

At the conclusion of the evaluation, information and data on these programs will be available to OTDA to not only share with public and private sectors, but will be used to model an RFP for future Fatherhood programs.

APPLICATIONS

A total of \$1,200,000 is being made available to UI on a performance basis. UI will earn funding as specific outcomes are achieved. This project will operate for four years from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011.

No applications will be accepted. Questions regarding this program may be directed to Kenneth Braswell at Kenneth.Braswell@OTDA.State.NY.US.

