## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Supportive Housing and Community Support Services for Individuals Discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals who are Dually Diagnosed (DD-MI)

**TAKE NOTICE** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

**Program Name:** Supportive Housing and Community Support Services for Individuals Discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals who are Dually Diagnosed (DD-MI)

**Purpose:** The New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), is pleased to release this Request for Proposals (RFP) to facilitate the discharge of individuals on Conditional Extension Pending Placement (CEPP)<sup>1</sup> status. The current RFP will pair housing subsidies funded by the DMHAS and administered by the New Jersey Housing Mortgage and Finance Agency (NJHMFA) with service dollars to develop or expand community supportive housing programs.

Specifically, the DMHAS is seeking to develop new supportive housing opportunities for fifteen (15) individuals in the Trenton Psychiatric Hospital catchment area.

- Five (five) beds in Mercer County
- Ten (10) beds in Middlesex County

**Available Funding Amount:** The total annualized funding is \$1,425,000 subject to State appropriations.

## Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:

To be eligible for consideration for this RFP, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder must be a non-profit or for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must be licensed by the Department of Human Services' (DHS') Office of Licensing prior to the start of services;
- For a bidder that has a contract with DMHAS in place when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction (PoC) for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission;
- The bidder must be fiscally viable based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DMHAS' sole

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In New Jersey, the status of CEPP was created by a 1983 New Jersey Supreme Court decision in re: S.L., 94 N.J. 128 (1983), for individuals who no longer met the standard for involuntary commitment, but for whom there was no present appropriate placement in the community.

discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve (12) months after bid submission, DMHAS will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;

- The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml</a> or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors in a consultant capacity;
- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue. (This statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies);
- The bidder must attend the Mandatory Bidders conference as described in the RFP.

**Proposal Procedure:** Effective July 25, 2016, the RFP is available at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html">www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html</a> and <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/">www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/</a>. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

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**Submission Deadline:** Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. Daylight Savings Time on September 1, 2016.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before October 13, 2016.

Elizabeth Connolly, Acting Commissioner

7/18/16 Date