PUBLIC NOTICE

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Notice of Availability of Grant Funds to Provide Supportive Housing Services for Mental Health Consumers at Risk of Hospitalization and Homelessness

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the following grant program funds:

Name of Program:

Supportive Housing Services for Mental Health Consumers at Risk of Hospitalization and Homelessness

Purpose:

The Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services seeks proposals to provide supportive housing for 52 adults diagnosed with a serious and persistent mental illness whose homelessness or risk of homelessness places them at risk of psychiatric hospitalization in the following counties: Burlington, Camden, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Mercer, Morris, Passaic, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, and Warren.

Amount of funding available:

Annualized funding of up to \$1,300,000 is available through this announcement to create housing opportunities for 52 individuals.

<u>Organizations that may apply</u>: In order to be eligible for consideration for this Request for Proposal, an applicant must be a fiscally viable corporation duly registered to conduct business within the State of New Jersey.

The applicant must demonstrate the ability to comply with all rules and regulations for any DMHAS program element of service proposed by the applicant.

The applicant must comply with the terms and conditions of the Department of Human Services' contracting rules and regulations as set forth in the DHS Standard Language Document, the <u>Contract Reimbursement Manual</u> (CRM), and the <u>Contract Policy and Information Manual</u> (CPIM).

Any fiscally viable corporation, as noted above, which meets the qualifications of the Department of Human Services' <u>Contract Policy and Information Manual</u>,

N.J.A.C. 10:3, may apply. A copy of this manual can be accessed from the webpage of the Office of Contract Policy and Management webpage at: <u>http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ocpm/home/resources/</u>.

Applicants may contact the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Contract Unit at 609-777-0628 with general questions about the requirements in these manuals.

Procedure to apply: Effective October 16, 2013, eligible and interested organizations may obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal at: <u>http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhs/info/notices/</u> or by contacting Alicia Meyer, Coordinator, at (609) 777-0069 or at <u>alicia.meyer@dhs.state.nj.us</u> Proposals must be submitted in accordance with requirements stipulated in the Request for Proposal.

<u>Mandatory Bidders' Conference:</u> A Mandatory Bidders' Conference will be conducted for interested applicants. All applicants intending to submit a proposal in response to this request must attend the mandatory Bidders' Conference on October 29, 2013. Information regarding the time and location of the bidder's conference may be found in the Request for Proposal. *Proposals submitted by an applicant not in attendance at the bidder's conference will not be considered.*

Deadline by which all applications must be submitted: Applications must be received by 4:00 P.M., November 26, 2013. Respondents must submit proposals electronically in PDF format. Additionally, one hard copy of the proposal with an original signature and six additional hard copies must be submitted to the attention of Cathy Boland (see RFP for mailing address) no later than 4:00 pm, November 26, 2013. No format other than the PDF and one original signed hardcopy and six hard copies will be accepted for this RFP.

Date by which applicants will be notified of preliminary decision to accept or reject proposal:

Applicants will be notified no later than January 13, 2014.

Jennifer Velez, Commissioner

Date