

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**CORRECTIONS**

**DIVISION OF PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**Notice of Availability of Funds**

**Purchase of Residential Community Release Program Services**

**Take notice** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5, and 34.6 (P.L. 1987, c. 7), the Department of Corrections, Division of Programs and Community Services hereby publishes notice of the availability of the following funds:

**Name of program:** Purchase of Residential Community Release Program Services.

**Purpose for which the funds will be used:** To contract with nonprofit agencies for residential pre-release programs for inmates committed to the New Jersey Department of Corrections.

**Amount of funding available:**

1. Total appropriation: \$65,959,000.
2. Allocated for ongoing programs: \$63,398,525.
3. Balance: \$2,560,475.

The Department's Fiscal Year 2015 budget request for the appropriation of funds in this grant program is subject to approval by the Office of Management and Budget and the State Legislature.

**Groups or entities which may apply:** Nonprofit community based providers.

**Qualifications needed by the applicant agency to be considered for a grant:** Nonprofit contractors that provide suitable programs and facilities that:

1. Conform with local building codes and zoning ordinances; and
2. Meet local and State health and fire codes.

Nonprofit contractors may subcontract with non-profit or for-profit vendors for the provision of suitable programs and/or facilities.

Note : Nonprofit contractors that choose to subcontract with a for-profit contractor for the provision of suitable program beds shall directly employ all key decision makers and managers to oversee the contract. The sub-contractor must have a board of directors whose membership is entirely distinct and different from that of the for-profit contractor.

**Procedure for eligible entities to apply for funds:** Qualified applicants must complete and submit an application for contractual services for Residential Community Release Programs.

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**Deadline by which applications must be submitted:** Applications must be submitted by **December 15, 2014**. Eligible and interested organizations may obtain a copy of the request for proposals (RFP) and related materials from the New Jersey Department of Corrections website beginning November 3, 2014, at: <http://njdoc.gov/pages/rfp/PCS-MH2014/>.

**Date by which applicant agency shall be notified whether they will receive funds:** Applicant will be notified after a careful review and evaluation of their program proposal, which is anticipated to take approximately four to six weeks.