

**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
**DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES**  
**BSCA Critical Incident Stress Management Funding– 1 Grant**

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:** Bipartisan Safer Communities Act Critical Incident Stress Management Funding– 1 Grant

**Purpose:** The Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) is issuing a Request for Letters of Interest (RLI) to Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) teams in New Jersey. Through this RLI, CISM teams can apply through a Letter of Interest (LOI) for funding to support their pre-existing CISM programs. There is a possibility of one (1) grant that will be awarded to one CISM team in the amount of \$60,000 (Note: CISM teams receiving funding from other sources are not eligible for this grant opportunity). The purpose of the grant is to address the infrastructure challenges of Critical Incident Stress Management teams and ensuring New Jersey has a robust number of trained volunteers that can respond to First Responder related crises.

The awardee will be expected to fund engagement, training and sustainability of their respective CISM volunteer workforces. The funds will be disbursed in two increments of \$30,000 totaling \$60,000. The funding period is October 1, 2023 through October 31, 2024. This funding is a time-limited opportunity to specifically address the need for a robust CISM volunteer workforce in New Jersey.

**The RLI is issued by the Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to benefit pre-existing Critical Incident Stress Management programs.**

**RLI Procedure:** Effective September 20, 2023, the RLI is available at [www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants). The Letters of Interest must be submitted that comports with the RLI requirements and instructions.

**The Letter of Interest should be emailed to:**

Disaster and Terrorism Branch at  
[dmhas-dtb.programs@dhs.nj.gov](mailto:dmhas-dtb.programs@dhs.nj.gov)

**Submission Deadline:** Letters of Interest must be received by October 18, 2023, 4pm ET.

**Notification Date:** Those who submitted a Letter of Interest will be notified of the outcome on or before November 15, 2023.

September 18, 2023

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**Sarah Adelman, Commissioner**

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