

## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

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

#### Resiliency Support for New Jersey Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Personnel

**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:** Resiliency Support for New Jersey Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Personnel

**Purpose:** This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to fund a Statewide organization that supports the mental health and wellness of New Jersey First Responders, specifically Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel.

Funds must be utilized to: (1) promote employee wellness, (2) enhance peer staff support and connectedness, (3) decrease mental health stigma, and (4) increase behavioral health resources available to the eligible service population. The eligible population to be served is defined as EMS personnel and EMS administrators employed in New Jersey.

**Available Funding Amount:** The total funding for this initiative is up to \$250,000 per federal fiscal year. DMHAS anticipates making up to one (1) award in the amount of \$50,000 for the initial contract term ending September 29, 2026. Subsequent awards, starting with federal fiscal year 2027, maybe awarded up to \$250,000 annually. The contract may be renewed annually under existing terms for up to four (4) one-year extensions, if federal funding is available, at DMHAS' sole discretion and with the agreement of the successful bidder. Actual funding levels will depend on the availability of funds and satisfactory performance. Funding is made possible through the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) (P.L. 117-159).

**Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:** To be eligible to apply for funding, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder must be a non-profit or governmental entity;
- Pursuant to 2 CFR § 25.300, DMHAS may “not make a subaward to a subrecipient that has not obtained a UEI and provided it” to DMHAS. Bidder is not required to complete full registration in SAM.gov to obtain a UEI, but it must at least obtain the identifier. Therefore, a bidder may satisfy this requirement by providing a certification that it applied for a UEI number prior to the submission due date stated

in this RFP and if it is the successful bidder, it will notify DMHAS of the UEI prior to final notice of subaward. Please see: [Entity Registration | SAM.gov](#);

- 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 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 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](#)<sup>1</sup> or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds; and
- Pursuant to DHS Contract Policy and Information Manual Policy Circular 8.05, the bidder shall not have a conflict, or the appearance of a conflict, between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. Persons in a position of trust include Provider Agency staff members, officers and Governing Board Members. A bidder must have written Conflict of Interest policies and procedures that satisfy the requirements of P8.05, thereby ensuring that paid Board members do not participate in transactions except as expressly provided in the P8.05 circular.

**Proposal Procedure:** March 30, 2026 the RFP is available at <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/notices/grants/proposals/> and <https://nj.gov/humanservices/dmhas/notices/opportunities/>

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. on April 27, 2026.



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Stephen Cha, MD, MHSR, Commissioner

3/30/26  
Date

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.nj.gov/treasury/revenue/debarment/>

