

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### **Juvenile Justice Commission**

### **Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Committee**

### **Notice of Availability of Funds**

### **2019 Reentry Transportation Support**

### **Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2016 and 2017 Title II Formula Grants Program**

**Take notice** that in compliance with the Charles Grassley Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act of 1974, as amended, 34 USCS § 11131-33. The Juvenile Justice Commission (Commission) announces the availability of funds for the following competitive subaward funded by FFY 2016 and 2017 Title II formula grant program funds:

**Purpose:** For the purposes of this Notice of Availability of Funding (NOAF), the use of the term Reentry only applies to committed youth paroled from a Commission facility and supervised by the Commission's Office of Juvenile Parole and Transitional Services (JPATS). The goal of this initiative to create a list of providers throughout the state of New Jersey that can provide transportation for young adults released from the Juvenile Justice Commission and on parole status.

**Total amount of money in the fund: \$40,000**

The JJDP Committee reserves the right to distribute funds among multiple approved providers throughout the state of New Jersey.

## **2019 Reentry Transportation Support**

Under this program, there is formula grant program funding available to support transportation to youth released from Commission facilities statewide and on parole status. A significant number of youth under parole supervision lack access to adequate transportation to mandatory appointments and employment. Transportation deprivation may impact the successful reentry of youth under parole supervision through noncompliance with supervision requirements (e.g., failure to report to a scheduled supervision meeting, counseling appointments, employment, etc.). Although public transportation may be available to youth in metro areas, it is not always suitable or practical. Reliance on public transportation to and from certain areas throughout the State may require in excess of four hours of travel per day. Particularly for former residents who have relocated to an area that has limited public transportation options (such as a rural community). This funding will be used to enter into an agreement with companies or organizations that provide transportation services.

**Qualifications:** Qualified applicants are those that can demonstrate the following:

- Licensed to drive in the US for at least one year, or three years if you're under age 23;
- In-state auto insurance with the individual or company name on the policy;
- In-state driver's license for all staff authorized to drive under the terms of this NOAF; and
- Proof of having met all requirements to do business with the State of New Jersey.

**Eligibility:** Eligible applicants include but are not limited to: Individuals, Small Businesses, Non-Profit and For-Profit Organizations. **Note: State Agencies are NOT eligible to apply.**

**Procedures to Apply:**

Interested parties must submit a completed 2019 Reentry Transportation Support Questionnaire (Questionnaire) which can be found as an attached document to this NOAF. Proposals, including the completed Questionnaire, may be submitted as an electronic mail attachment in either Word or PDF format to [JJDPcommittee@jjc.nj.gov](mailto:JJDPcommittee@jjc.nj.gov) or mailed to the address below. Responses should be received, NOT postmarked, no later than **October 11, 2019**.

NJ Juvenile Justice Commission  
Attn: JJDP/Grants Unit  
1001 Spruce Street, Suite 202  
Trenton, NJ 08638

Selected transportation providers will be notified if selected to enter into an agreement and/or memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the State of New Jersey no later than **November 14, 2019**. Prior to providing services the selected transportation provider must register with NJ START (<http://www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/njstart/vendor.shtml>) in order to do business with and get paid by the State of New Jersey. This is an online system that will register you with the State of New Jersey. Registration can be completed by going to the following website at [www.njstart.gov](http://www.njstart.gov). Any issues/questions/concerns should be directed to the NJSTART Vendor Support Page located at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/njstart/vendor.shtml>.

Qualified applicants will be determined based upon the qualifying criteria provided above as well as the individual needs of the target population and will ultimately be selected to provide transportation services on a case-by-case basis. Providers will submit payment requests (billable hours as pre-determined) to the Commission for services provided. Providers may be removed from the list based upon performance, lack of availability, change in credentialed status, failure or

delay in submitting reports and/or payment requests, or for other reasons as determined by the Commission to be in its best interests.

Please note that funding allocations and individual subaward amounts are subject to change. Subrecipients shall recognize and agree that both the initial provision of funding and the continuation of such funding under a grant agreement is expressly dependent upon the availability to the Commission of funds appropriated by the State or Federal Legislatures from State and/or Federal revenue or such other funding sources as may be applicable. A failure of the Commission to make any payment under a grant agreement or to observe and perform any condition on its part to be performed under a grant agreement as a result of the failure of the State or Federal Legislatures to appropriate funds shall not in any manner constitute a breach of a grant agreement by the Commission or an event of default under a grant agreement and the Commission shall not be held liable for any breach of a grant agreement because of the absence of available funding appropriations. In addition, future funding shall not be anticipated from the Commission beyond the duration of the award period set forth in a grant agreement and in no event shall a grant agreement be construed as a commitment by the Commission to expend funds beyond the termination date set forth in a grant agreement.