

JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION

OFFICE OF JUVENILE PAROLE AND TRANSITIONAL SERVICES

Notice of Availability of Contract Funds

Juvenile and Family Counseling Services Program – October 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:17B-170E, the Juvenile Justice Commission seeks to enter into a contract to provide a Juvenile and Family Counseling Services Program.

- A. Name of Program:** Juvenile and Family Counseling Services Program – October 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009.
- B. Purpose:** To maximize opportunities for youthful offenders who are returning to Middlesex County from JJC custody to complete the terms of their parole or probation supervision without being incarcerated for technically violating those conditions or re-offending. Clinically-based therapeutic interventions will be provided through a contracted vendor to assist parolees, probationers, and their families in their efforts to surmount the reentry challenges and obstacles they encounter that would otherwise undermine the youthful offender's efforts to complete parole or probation and remain law-abiding. Clinical therapeutic interventions shall be family focused and community-based.
- C. Amount of money in the program:** The successful applicant shall receive up to \$100,000 to provide services between October 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009.
- D. D. Organizations which may apply for funding under the program:** Public agencies, for profit and not-for-profit organizations incorporated in or qualified to do business in the State of New Jersey may apply. A prior contract with the JJC does not guarantee the awarding of a new contract under this service.
- E. Qualifications needed by an applicant to be considered for funding:** The Applicant must have a minimum of three years of experience providing mental health counseling services to the youthful offender population. The Applicant must have an appropriately licensed facility(ies) in Middlesex County that is accessible by public transportation. The Applicant must be in good standing with the NJ Department of Consumer Affairs and be qualified to do business in the State of NJ. The Applicant shall not have a history of suspension, termination or debarment from contracting with State, Federal or County government for deficiencies in performance of any award, and having all past issues resolved satisfactorily, as demonstrated by written documentation. The Applicant must meet the requirements delineated in the Juvenile and Family Counseling Services specifications and have the ability to initiate service effective October 1, 2008.
- F. Procedure for eligible organization to apply:** Interested applicants may obtain a copy of the full proposal format and application as of August 4, 2008 by sending a request via e-mail to Steve.Morocco@nijjc.org. The request shall include the applicant's name, the organization / agency's name, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number and fax number. Submissions must include a cover letter with original signature and four copies of the application including a budget for each of the three years.
- G. Address which application must be submitted:**
Thomas Flanagan, Deputy Executive Director
Juvenile Justice Commission
1001 Spruce Street, Suite 202
PO Box 107
Trenton, NJ 08625
- H. Deadline by which applications must be submitted:** Applications must be received no later than August 25, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.
- I. Date by which applicant shall be notified of approval or disapproval:** Within 30 days of receipt of a completed application.

Thomas Flanagan,
Deputy Executive Director
Juvenile Justice Commission

Date