Notice of Contract Opportunity

Department of Corrections

PROJECT NAME: Personal Finance Education Instruction

DETAILS: On July 1, 2020 the Department of Corrections (DOC) will be requesting proposals to coordinate and conduct workshops providing educational instruction on personal finance for incarcerated people prior to their release and released persons with a high risk to recidivate who are residing in the twin cities metro area.

The portion of this programing occurring out in the community with releasees will be funded through the Opportunity for Change (O4C) Program. The DOC has collaborated with community partners to deliver O4C, a program grounded in evidence-informed practices (EBP) serving higher risk release violators since 2017. Goals of the program are to implement interventions that align with effective programming and yield promising results in reductions in recidivism, technical violations, and other rule infractions and increases pro-social opportunities for released individuals. Additional strategies used by the O4C team to increase success include case planning and referrals, stability in housing, cognitive-behavioral groups, mentoring, and employment connections.

This request for proposal particularly increases opportunities for the participants to gain a basic understanding of personal finances through participation in financial education classes in order to become more financially stable.

This request for proposals may result in multiple award contracts to qualified responders if it is deemed in the best interest of the state and work is anticipated to start after January 1, 2021.

COPY REQUEST: To get a copy of the Request for Proposals, please send a written request, by email, on or after July 1, 2020 to <u>jana.carr-weerts@state.mn.us</u> or follow this link: https://mn.gov/doc/staff-partners/doing-business-doc/request-proposals/.

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received via email or mail no later than 2:00 p.m. Central Daylight Saving Time, Monday, July 27, 2020. Late proposals will not be considered.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

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