NC DHHS

Summary Notice of Funding Availability

Reporting Form

DHHS Division/Office Issuing This Notice: Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE)

Date of This Notice: February 8, 2017

Program Name: Increasing Identification and Access to Early Care and Education Services for Young Child and Families Experiencing Homelessness

Purpose of the RFA: The goal of the *Increasing Identification and Access to Early Care & Education Services for Young Children Experiencing Homelessness* initiative is to improve the quality of early child care and education programs by increasing access to early child care services for young children ages 0-5 and their families experiencing homelessness throughout North Carolina.

Description: The successful applicant will propose a detailed plan including a timeline and budget for increasing identification and access to early care and education services for young children ages 0-5 and families experiencing homelessness. The plan should include innovative strategies for conducting research, providing training and technical assistance, creating and disseminating consumer education materials, and developing a cross-sector approach to family outreach for young children and families experiencing homelessness statewide.

Funding Availability: Up to $500,000.00 is available for the *Increasing Identification and Access to Early Care & Education Services for Young Children Experiencing Homelessness* initiative from July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018.

Applicant Eligibility: This RFA is open to state agencies and universities, public and private nonprofit organizations with a current 501(c)(3) standing and extensive knowledge and expertise identifying and serving young children and their families experiencing homelessness.

How to Apply:

The *Increasing Identification and Access to Early Care and Education Services for Young Child and Families Experiencing Homelessness* RFA and required attachments will be posted to the DCDEE website: http://ncchildcare.nc.gov/ on **February 15, 2017**.

MAIL your application via Overnight/Express Mail or DELIVER your application in person to:

North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early Education
Attention: Candice Bailey, DCD Contract Unit
820 South Boylan Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27699-2201

Intent to Apply:
Agencies that plan to submit an application are encouraged to complete the Notice of Intent to apply found here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WQP7Z6N **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday February 28, 2017** Agencies are **not** required to register their intent to respond to this RFA.

Responses to this notice of intent are not binding and will not impact the review and scoring of your RFA submission. Data from this survey is used by the State PREP Team for planning and research purposes only.

Deadline for Submission:
Applications will be accepted until **5:00 p.m., Wednesday March 15, 2017.**

For more information or to obtain a copy of the complete Request for Application please contact: Candice Bailey (candice.bailey@dhhs.nc.gov).

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Program Name: Indicate the program and pertinent services, as defined in the Program Management Database (PMD). See http://pmro.dhhs.state.nc.us/.

Purpose: The statement of purpose should provide a description of the function of the program. It should give the reason why the program was created.

Description: The description should provide a brief statement of information relating to the nature and scope of the program. Provide enough information that will allow a potential applicant to decide whether to seek more information regarding the program.

Funding Availability: Indicate the total amount of funding that is available to be awarded to all applicants under the announcement, the estimated number of awards to be made, and the maximum amount of a single award (if any).

Eligibility: Clearly define the eligibility requirements and general restrictions for application. Ensure that readers can easily determine whether they are eligible to submit an application for funding.

How to Apply: Provide a general statement concerning how to apply for funding. Do not repeat detailed application instructions that are contained in the Request for Applications.

Deadline for Submission: Specify the date by which applications must either be received or submitted. Ensure that the reader understands how you will document compliance with requirements for meeting submission deadlines (such as the presence of a valid United States Postal Service (USPS) post mark).

How to Obtain Further Information: Provide instructions to potential applicants regarding the action they should take to obtain a copy of the actual Request for Applications or answers to questions. If information is available at a web site, then provide the URL. Include the name, address, phone number and e-mail address of a person who can be contacted for more information. Make it easy for a reader to reach someone.