

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

DATE: March 23, 2015

TO: All Interested Parties

FROM: Far Northern Regional Center (FNRC) Community Service Division

RE: Request for the development of a Specialized Residential Facility
Community Placement Plan (CPP) Project: Shasta County

Granted to Anka Behavioral Health on 5/13/15

Far Northern Regional Center (FNRC) is a private nonprofit organization under contract with the California Department of Developmental Services (DDS). FNRC is part of a statewide network of 21 Regional Centers responsible for the coordination and development of service to meet the needs of people with developmental disabilities in Shasta, Butte, Tehama, Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Glenn, Lassen and Plumas Counties.

FNRC is seeking individuals and/or agencies to establish a licensed specialized residential facility for adults in Shasta County. The home would support individuals with severe behavioral challenges and/or self care needs. The potential home must have the ability to support 4 adult male and/or female consumers in accordance with established Title 17 & Title 22 regulations. All residents in the home shall have his/her own private bedroom. The home will be licensed as an adult residential facility through Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing (CCL). The residential facility is to provide the least restrictive environment and promotes independence/self care while assuring the consumers health and personal rights are protected.

Start-up funding is available for up to \$80,000.00 (based on actual costs) for the successful applicant to develop this service. Start-up funding may include, but is not limited to the following: deposits on utilities and rent, furniture, recruitment hiring, training of staff, etc.

The facility would support consumers who are transitioning out of state developmental centers and/or mental health treatment facilities. Individuals may have psychiatric and severe behavioral challenges, extensive self care need deficits, substance abuse or nicotine addition, property destruction habits, verbal/physical aggression which may including biting, elopement, eating disorders, medical needs and/or non-ambulatory. The facility would serve consumers who are exiting or at risk of entering a state developmental center from their current living arrangement. These consumers will require support in developing coping strategies for effective self-control, positive communication-based behavioral support, and high level of direct supervision. A focus on building inclusive community activities, facilitating healthy relationships, and the creation of natural supports must be considered and implemented.

Prospective applicants must have experience in providing services to individuals with developmental disabilities, and at least one or more of the following: individuals with dual

diagnosis of Developmental Delay and Mental Health Disorders, individuals with a history of forensic involvement, substance abuse, behavioral needs, and cognitively challenged. Consumer diagnosis can include intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, Autism, and epilepsy. The applicant should have at least 3 years of experience in operating an adult licensed residential facility, at the standard level 4 adult residential facility or higher, and must have previous residential experience serving consumers from Developmental Centers. Preferences will be given to the most qualified applicant who intends to seek additional training and consultation, and has a willingness to collaborate with FNRC in meeting each individuals support needs.

All interested parties are required to submit a proposal to FNRC. Proposals should include:

- a) A letter listing the applicant's name, address, phone number.
- b) Description of the applicant's education, experience related to residential services and the field of developmental disabilities.
- c) A description of applicant's goals and expected outcomes in providing residential services.
- d) Budget for start-up cost, showing realistic costs of operating a facility as required by this proposal.
- e) A description of how applicant will assess the level of support required to meet lifestyle preferences of the people served.
- f) A statement of how applicant will plan for staff training.
- g) A statement of consultants (behavioral or medical) to be used in support of this residential service.

Please submit a hardcopy proposal, **the original plus five (5) copies**, to FNRC. All proposals received by the deadline will be reviewed and scored by evaluators selected by FNRC.

Applicants who meet the proposal criteria will be contacted and may be invited to participate in an interview process.

Please submit proposals to:

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Deadline for submission of proposal is.....April 17, 2015

If a residential proposal is selected, the applicant will be required to develop a written program design which complies with the requirements of Title 17, section 56013 and meets FNRC's values and expectations for residential facilities.

*FNRC reserves the right to withdraw this Request for Proposal (RFP) at any time without prior notice. Furthermore, FNRC makes no representation that any agreement will be awarded to any applicant responding to this RFP. FNRC reserves the right to reject the proposal of any

respondent who, in the opinion of FNRC, is not responsible or has previously failed to perform properly, or is not in a position to operate a residential facility within the program design.