

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

DATE: February 2, 2016

TO: All Interested Parties

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

RE: Request for the development of a business, to be funded as a day program, in Redding, CA.

Granted to Nor Cal Pet Services, Inc. on 2/29/16

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 services to meet the needs of people with developmental disabilities in Shasta, Butte, Tehama, Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Glenn, Lassen and Plumas Counties.

Far Northern Regional Center (FNRC) is seeking individuals and/or agencies to establish a business/program to promote paid vocational training opportunities for FNRC adult consumers. The program will offer services where individuals are engaged in meaningful employment, including contacts with the general public and earning at least minimum wage as defined by the State of California. **This proposal is not for a pre-vocational or nonpaid employment training program.** The program will promote paid employment training to individuals with severe behavioral and psychiatric needs which will require a control environment while maintaining integration with the community. The program site, to be located in Redding, CA. is not required to be licensed.

The start up fund for the development of this program will be up to \$80, 000.00 dollars (based on actual costs) for the successful applicant to develop this new service.

Prospective vendors must have experience in providing services to individuals with developmental disabilities, including dual diagnosis of Developmental Delay and Mental Health Disorders, individuals with a history of forensic involvement, substance abuse, behavioral needs, or individuals transitioning out of Developmental Centers. The program shall have sufficient number of competent, trained staff who have experience working with individuals with developmental disabilities and who can also communicate clearly with consumers, professionals and members of the community. Since this is a paid vocational training program, you may need to communication with Social Security Administration as it pertains to wages paid out to FNRC consumers. 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. The proposal must include the program description, budget for start up cost, types of employment opportunities, the number of

employment hours offered to individuals who will be attending the program, how supervision will be provided in a structure and supervised environment, and description on how work environments/duties will be selected and modified to allow individuals to demonstrate success in reaching goals identified. Please address how transportation and adequate supervision will be managed. The description of services need to include how program will address the areas that most interfere with integration into meaningful employment amongst FNRC consumers. The program needs to address how paid vocational opportunities will be promoted, including the potential job duties/descriptions programs.

Please submit a hardcopy proposal, **the original plus five (5) copies**, to Far Northern Regional Center. All proposals received by the deadline will be reviewed and scored by evaluators selected by FNRC. Applicants who meet the proposal criteria may be invited to participate in an interview process.

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Please submit proposals to:

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Deadline for submission of proposal.....2/17/2016 prior to 5pm.

*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 operation within the program design.