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DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
HORIZON PROGRAM RFP:
RESIDENTIAL SERVICES FOR HOMELESS YOUNG ADULTS (HYA)
EPIN 26019I0002
PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

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MS. WHITE: Good afternoon, everyone, and welcome. On behalf of Commissioner Bill Chung, I would like to welcome you to the Department of Youth and Community Development's pre-proposal conference for Horizon Program RFP, EPIN 26019I0002.

My name is Zenaida Marie White, I'm the Assistant Deputy Agency Chief Contracting Officer here at DYCD and I have the privilege of overseeing this conference and sharing some information with you.

And today's conference we have: Pre-qualifying and proposal submission, program expectations, post-award requirements, and the question and answer session which I'm sure a lot of you are eager for.

So before we get to that, I'd like to introduce our panel. Today we have with us from COMPASS Jeremy Syrop, he's the Department Director for Older and Vulnerable Youth Programs;

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2 Also we have with us from ACS
3 Jennifer Romelien, Executive Director of
4 Program Services Division of Youth and
5 Family Justice Detention Services;

6 We have with us Robert
7 Frenzel-Berra, he's our Director of
8 Research and Program Development;

9 And Dana Cantelmi, our Agency
10 Chief Contracting Officer.

11 It's okay to applaud now.

12 (Applause.)

13 MS. WHITE: Thank you again for
14 joining us. And before we get to the
15 panel, and before we get to the questions,
16 we just want to review some important
17 information, some important dates
18 regarding this RFP.

19 The due date for this RFP is
20 January 17th, 2019. The proposals are due
21 to be submitted in the HHS Accelerator
22 System by 2:00 p.m., again on
23 January 17th, 2019.

24 Proposals must be submitted in
25 the HHS Accelerator System. In order to

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2 respond to this RFP you first must be
3 pre-qualified in the HHS Accelerator
4 System. DYCD will not be accepting any
5 hard copies of these proposals.

6 We anticipate that award
7 announcements will be made sometime early
8 spring of 2019. The notifications of
9 awards will be made through the HHS
10 Accelerator System.

11 Anticipated contract term for
12 this award is May 1st, 2019 through
13 June 30th, 2022, with an option for DYCD
14 to renew for up to three additional years.

15 After this conference if you have
16 any additional questions you may submit
17 your questions in writing to
18 RFPquestions@dycd.nyc.gov. Please be sure
19 to indicate "Horizon RFP" in the subject
20 line.

21 Also note, in order to ensure
22 timely responses all questions must be
23 received no later than January 10th, 2019.

24 How many of you here are familiar
25 and pre-qualified with the HHS Accelerator

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2 System?

3 (Indication from audience.)

4 MS. WHITE: Great, that's the
5 majority of you.

6 So we want to ensure that at the
7 sign-in table you received a handout with
8 the HHS Accelerator? Great.

9 And just to review for most of
10 you and for some who do not know, the HHS
11 Accelerator System was launched to
12 simplify and improve the competitive
13 contract process for Health and Human
14 Service providers.

15 Agencies publish all requests for
16 proposal, RFP, documents in the HHS
17 Accelerator System.

18 Pre-qualified providers approved
19 for relevant services are eligible to
20 propose and can submit proposals after the
21 RFPs are released.

22 Providers must submit proposals
23 through the HHS Accelerator System by the
24 proposal due date, which in this case is
25 January 17th, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

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2 Questions, or if you need
3 additional assistance, you may contact
4 help@mocs.nyc.gov.

5 Now on October 5th of last year,
6 2018, DYCD released the Horizon Program
7 Concept Paper, and we would just like to
8 highlight some items that we've
9 incorporated into the RFP based on the
10 feedback we received.

11 Cultural competence. We
12 elaborated on the language on cultural
13 competence in response to comments
14 received, and to emphasize these points
15 moved the expectation regarding expert
16 staff to a separate paragraph.

17 Restorative justice. This was
18 added to the list of required program
19 content areas as a result of comments from
20 several different organizations.

21 Program director qualifications,
22 we changed the proposed requirement from a
23 master's degree to a bachelor's degree.
24 Again, that's based on feedback that we
25 received.

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2 Okay. So now I'd like to move
3 along by welcoming Jeremy Syrop and he is
4 going to do an overview of the program
5 highlights in this RFP. Thank you.

6 MR. SYROP: Good afternoon. Once
7 again, I am Jeremy Syrop, the Deputy
8 Director of Older and Vulnerable Youth
9 Programs for COMPASS DYCD.

10 I'd like to, again, welcome
11 everybody to today's session where I will
12 be bringing you through key programmatic
13 components of the RFP to give greater
14 clarity to the program model, to core
15 requirements, and what is expected as we
16 move forward.

17 So as you may have read in the
18 actual RFP itself, this solicitation is
19 for one single competition for one single
20 contract of work to be located at the
21 Horizon Juvenile Center on 560 Brook
22 Avenue in the Bronx.

23 Though we will require full
24 startup of on-site services on July 1st,
25 2019, the awarded program will be asked to

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begin planning starting May 1st, 2019.
And anticipated funding for the startup
period is \$99,167. And beginning
July 1st, 2019 through June 30th, 2022,
\$595,000 annually.

So the purpose of the Horizon
Program is to engage all youth residing in
the facility in high quality, diverse
activities that are reflective of their
interests; build on their strengths and
expose youth to new relationships.

The RFP outlines a program that
is staffed by credible messengers;
culturally responsive experts who can help
assist young people in gaining tangible
skills, expose them to restorative
practices and overall enrich their
experiences and knowledge as
justice-involved youth.

As we will further explain, the
program must allocate 35 to 50 percent of
its budget to subcontractors and
consultants, enroll and serve all
available youth, provide transitional

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services and collaborate with all on- and off-site partners.

As you can see here, our main program features as just explained.

So the target population for this program is all youth who reside in the Horizon Juvenile Center, this includes youth aged anywhere between 16 to 21 years old.

It is anticipated that on average 85 youth will be available for programming on a daily basis. It is the expectation for the contractor to serve all available youth on the days the program operates. And when we say "all available youth," we're referring to the number of youth in the facility who are available for programming and not occupied in other mandated responsibilities such as court appearances, visits, so on.

Additionally, this program is expected to serve approximately 712 unique participants annually.

So the program must operate for

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at least 645 hours over a minimum of 43 weeks. Programming must include weekdays, weekends and the summer.

For the school year, the program must operate on at least three afternoons during each week, at a minimum of nine hours per week.

For weekends, the program must operate at least three hours on Saturday and three hours on Sunday. An addendum will likely be released to clarify that particular breakdown.

Over the summer, the program must operate at least 105 hours over the course of seven weeks including weekends.

Also important to note is that hours are clock hours, meaning that if a program has ten activities scheduled between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., only three hours will be accumulated toward the 645 total.

So moving on to staffing. Administrative staff. The RFP calls for -- requires a program director who is

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required to have a bachelor's degree at minimum, at minimum five years of experience working with justice-involved youth, and this particular individual must be full-time.

We are also requiring an assistant program director. And like the program director, must have a bachelor's degree, three years of experience working with the justice-involved youth. This individual can be part-time or full-time.

There is also a master's degree in social work requirement. So either the program director or assistant program director is required to have an MSW. This individual will use their expertise to inform programming and collaborate with other clinical health professionals on site.

Continuing on staff. One of the most important components of the program will be efficient frontline staff members and creditable messengers.

So subcontractors and consultants

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2 must consist of 35 to 50 percent of the
3 annual budget. These individuals or
4 organizations are to serve as expert and
5 knowledgeable activity specialists who
6 plan and lead program activities with
7 ample experience in delivering
8 instructions to the target population.

9 Staff must include credible
10 messengers. These are individuals that
11 share backgrounds and/or life experiences
12 comparable to enrolled youth, helping to
13 serve as empathetic yet robust role models
14 who can offer transformative relationships
15 to young people.

16 Staff should also be culturally
17 responsive to the identities, needs and
18 circumstances of young people, both
19 understanding of participants
20 developmentally and socially, while also
21 being responsive to their unique needs as
22 justice-involved youth.

23 Staff must also adopt
24 trauma-informed approaches in their
25 interactions with youth to take account of

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psychological factors impacting them,
including separation from family, friends
and other traumas.

Scheduling and logistics. Having
a well thought out and organized schedule
will be important in filling out the
various scheduling forms in the proposal.

Activities must be offered
simultaneously and in multiple locations
both in residential halls and in
multipurpose spaces to serve all available
youth.

Please estimate that up to ten
separate groups may need to be served in
one program day in up to ten separate
locations. So this could be accomplished
in multiple ways, including providing
programming to five groups during the
first half of the afternoon and the
remaining groups would receive services
for the second half of the afternoon.
Just as an example.

Activity design must also take
into account the high turnover of

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participants, some of who may be there for days while others for months.

And as mentioned earlier, the four required content areas are enrichment, life skills slash leadership development, career pathways and restorative justice.

It will be important for the proposed program design to ensure that all participants are regularly exposed to activities in these four areas.

Restorative justice, being one of the newly required areas, refers to activities that creatively get youth to think about responsibility; what it means to make amends through dialogue; group projects, these are your peace circles, mediation and violence prevention workshops just to name a few.

Career pathways and other emphasis of this RFP refers to opportunities that help prepare youth for post-departure career options including internships, job-readiness trainings,

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2 barbering, cosmetology.

3 Enrichment includes your music,
4 your videography, agricultural, dance,
5 robotics, and other specialty activities.

6 And life skills. Leadership
7 development activities help develop both
8 competency and leadership including
9 service learning projects, youth councils,
10 mentoring and civic engagement.

11 So lastly, collaboration will be
12 a key component for successful and smooth
13 program operations. So the contractor
14 will be expected to work effectively to
15 maintain positive relations with all
16 operational, security, administrative and
17 youth development staff on site.

18 So regular communications and
19 meetings with DYCD, with ACS and other
20 staff will be essential.

21 And I'll pass it back to Zenaida.

22 MS. WHITE: Thank you.

23 So continuing on, we would like
24 to review some important post-award
25 requirements beginning with the Public

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1 Assistance Hiring Commitment Rider. You
2 should have received an FAQ sheet coming
3 in and that gives you some information
4 regarding the Public Assistance Hiring
5 Commitment Rider.
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Responsibility determination.

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8 Please be advised that it is a
9 requirements for all contractors to be
10 determined responsible in the post-award
11 phase; therefore, please make sure your
12 passport disclosures are up to date;
13 ensure that your New York State charities
14 filings are current; and ensure that any
15 outstanding liens or adverse information
16 has been resolved. Unresolved issues
17 often cause significant delays in the
18 post-award process.

19 Notice for proposer subcontractor
20 compliance. As outlined and stated in
21 this RFP, total value of all subcontracts
22 must be equal to at least 35 percent but
23 no less -- I'm sorry, no less than
24 35 percent -- I'm sorry.

25 Total value of all subcontractors

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must equal at least 35 percent but no less than 50 percent of the annual budget;

Subcontractors must be identified in the proposal. Expectations set out in the RFP that apply to the contractor apply equally to any subcontractor;

Subcontractors may be for-profit or not-for-profit organizations;

All subcontractors must be reported using the Payee Information Portal system, the PIP system;

All subcontractors and subcontracts valued over 20,000 are subject to DYCD approval before any expenses are incurred or any payments are made to them by the prime contractor and must be pre-qualified in the HHS Accelerator System.

Contractors are also encouraged to utilize business and individual proprietors listed on the New York City online directory of certified MWBE businesses as sources for their purchases of goods, supplies, services and equipment

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using funds obtained through the agreement.

Contractors are also encouraged to utilize businesses and individual proprietors owned and operated by people with disabilities as sources for its purchases of goods, supplies, services and equipment using funds obtained through this agreement.

The liability insurance requirement as outlined in this RFP, the New York City liability insurance requirement for commercial general liability, \$1 million per occurrence and \$2 million aggregate.

Motor vehicle liability, if applicable, \$1 million per accident combined single limit.

Also in addition, there's workers' compensation; employers liability insurance; and disability benefits insurance.

An original certificate of insurance naming the City of New York

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including its officials and employees as
additional insured.

DYCD will not be able to proceed
with processing an awarded contract until
it has obtained proof of the necessary
insurance coverage.

And lastly, again, DYCD
encourages MWBE participation and
recommends the utilization of certified
MWBEs, we put that twice 'cause that's how
important it is. We want to make sure you
make note of that.

And also, importantly, the
transcript, presentation and attendance
rosters will be posted to the DYCD website
for your viewing.

So now we get to the segment that
I believe you've all been waiting for, and
that's the opportunity to ask your
questions. The panel has made themselves
available to provide you with the best
answers possible.

Before we begin, I would just
like you to note that the

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2 question-and-answer session is only for
3 the purposes of this RFP. Once the
4 question-and-answer session ends, the
5 panel will no longer be available to take
6 any questions. So therefore, if you want
7 to ask questions, now is your opportunity
8 to do so.

9 Once again, please make sure that
10 you state the page number, that you are
11 able to show us where it is that your
12 question is coming from, that will help
13 the panel answer your question more
14 directly.

15 And because this section is being
16 recorded, every time you come to the
17 microphone we're asking that you state
18 your name and the agency you're
19 representing.

20 And I believe that's it. I'm
21 going to bring the microphone to this
22 side, you can form a line here and there's
23 no limit to your questions. This is now
24 your opportunity for clarification. Thank
25 you.

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MS. NOBLET: Carol Noblet from
Getting Out & Staying Out, a reentry
program.

We were thinking of including as
a subcontractor the Cure Violence
Organization that is operative in the East
Harlem area. So it is not technically its
own 501(c)(3), but has a lot of cultural
competencies and so on that we'd like to
depend on.

Would that be allowed as a
subcontractor?

MR. SYROP: We actually are not
going to speak to, and cannot speak to,
whether particular subcontractors would be
allowed or disallowed.

Organizations, whether they are
501(c)(3)s or not, may be able to serve as
subcontractors. So in your proposal if
you are proposing, that would be something
that you would explain.

MS. NOBLET: Okay. So it can be
a 501(c)(3) or some nonprofit and we could
also perhaps include for-profit

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2 organizations that are --

3 MR. SYROP: The subcontractor, as
4 DYCD defines subcontractors as of current,
5 is inclusive to both for-profit and
6 not-for-profit organizations. But they
7 would need to be approved through the New
8 York City Payee Information Portal and go
9 through the proper approvals through the
10 city before any approval can be officially
11 given.

12 MS. NOBLET: So -- but that isn't
13 exactly the HHS Accelerator; in other
14 words, I have used that system and I know
15 about pre-qualification for us. The
16 others don't have to submit all that, they
17 just have to be vetted separately?

18 MS. CANTELMY: So with the new
19 human service contract, subcontractors
20 that are receiving over \$20,000 in city
21 funding have to be pre-qualified in the
22 Accelerator system.

23 So if you plan on subcontracting
24 with a nonprofit or for-profit they have
25 to be pre-qualified in the Accelerator if

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2 you're giving them more than 20,000.

3 MS. NOBLET: Thank you.

4 MS. KELLY: Hi. Eileen Kelly
5 from the Osborne Association. I also have
6 a question about the subcontractors.

7 Would you clarify, please, in the
8 RFP does it mean that all applicants are
9 required to use at least 35 percent of
10 their budget for subcontractors, that's
11 what you mean, not that we may be --

12 MR. SYROP: Correct. 35 to
13 50 percent of the budget must be allocated
14 toward subcontractors or consultants.
15 35 percent to up to less than 50 percent.

16 MS. CARPIO: Hello, Angie Carpio
17 from Exalt. Another subcontractor
18 question.

19 So if we were thinking of having
20 someone come in to host workshops, would
21 that qualify under subcontracting or would
22 that be something that would be absorbed
23 in the regular budget?

24 MR. SYROP: That would
25 potentially qualify as a subcontractor or

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2 consultant.

3 MS. CARPIO: Okay.

4 The program director and the
5 assistant program director, is this
6 thought of to be new hires or is this
7 something that would be absorbed by
8 current staff?

9 MR. SYROP: That is a
10 determination that your organization would
11 make.

12 MS. CARPIO: Are organizations
13 able to get partnership agreements with a
14 subcontractor that has potentially done a
15 partnership agreement with other
16 organizations applying for this RFP?

17 MR. SYROP: Yes.

18 MS. CARPIO: And would the
19 selected vendor have office space
20 available in Horizon?

21 MS. ROMELIEN: So currently
22 office space is very limited at Horizon;
23 however, we would provide some sort of
24 work area that would be shared.

25 MS. CARPIO: Thank you.

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MS. CLARKE: Hi. Candra Clarke,
Exodus Transitional Community.

On page eight of the RFP, "the contractor would have at least three years of successful experience within the last five years delivering services similar to those described in RFP."

Does that mean we have to have experience serving youth within a facility or if we work for a reentry program on the outside is that similar enough?

MR. FRENZEL-BERRA: We mean experience serving justice-involved youth. But having said that, the closer your experience is to the kind of services and the site that you're looking at here it would be better.

MS. CLARKE: Okay.

And then on page eleven when we talk about "the contractor would provide program services on at least three afternoons each week Monday through Friday."

Is there a time frame for the

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afternoon or a schedule at the facility that we would get so we know what time we would schedule the programming?

MS. ROMELIEN: Yes, there is a schedule at the facility; however, young people get out of school at 2:40 so programming commences after 3:00 p.m.

MS. CLARKE: And then for the minimum of three community partnerships, do our consultants count as one of the community partnerships?

MR. FRENZEL-BERRA: Consultants don't count, it has to be a relationship with an organization.

MS. CLARKE: And then how many housing units are there?

MS. ROMELIEN: There are currently ten housing units at Horizon.

MS. CLARKE: Will we be getting a copy of the PowerPoint?

MS. CANTELMY: Yes, it will be posted on the website.

MS. CLARKE: And we'll also get a copy of the facility schedule or no?

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2 MR. SYROP: Unfortunately, I
3 don't think we'll be able to provide it at
4 this point.

5 MS. CLARKE: Thank you.

6 MS. CEDENO: Hi. Sabrina,
7 DreamYard Project.

8 For the Public Assistance Hiring
9 Rider, can that be divided between the
10 contractor and the subcontractor?

11 MS. CANTELMY: No, the
12 responsibility is on the prime contractor.

13 MS. CEDENO: Okay. And then the
14 community partners, can any of that also
15 include our subcontractors?

16 MR. FRENZEL-BERRA: Yeah.
17 Subcontractors would count as community
18 partners.

19 MS. CEDENO: Cool.

20 And then last question, and I
21 know we talked about this so much so I'm
22 sorry but I want to make sure I
23 understand.

24 If a subcontractor is less than
25 20,000 then there's no pre-qualification,

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2 there's no pre-qualifying in PIP, we can
3 put them on the application?

4 MS. CANTELMY: So PIP is
5 different than Accelerator. They -- the
6 PIP requirement is still there because
7 that falls on the prime provider, that's
8 the responsibility of the prime provider
9 to report out payments going to the sub.
10 So that requirement is there regardless of
11 if it's \$500, you would still have to
12 report that out through PIP.

13 But the requirement for the sub
14 to be pre-qualified, that goes to the sub
15 themselves actually receiving more than
16 \$20,000.

17 MS. CEDENO: So the PIP is like
18 once we get the contract when we start
19 pushing out the money to them?

20 MS. CANTELMY: Correct.

21 MS. CEDENO: Got it. Thank you.

22 MR. POLESE: Luis Polese from
23 Phipps Neighborhoods.

24 I wanted to get some background
25 on who the young people are that we're

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2 serving. How many people are at the
3 facility, ballpark it?

4 MS. ROMELIEN: So we currently
5 have -- we house 106 young people, we have
6 106 beds at Horizon. Currently our census
7 is 70, so it varies.

8 MR. POLESE: So at some point it
9 will get to 106, maybe not.

10 MS. ROMELIEN: Possibly. We
11 opened the building with 93.

12 MR. POLESE: I'm imagining that
13 we conceivably have clubs that would not
14 meet every day, five days a week. They
15 might meet one day a week and they may be
16 a club that would appeal to a specific
17 group pr small group of those kids.

18 So I want to see how that 85
19 number, the daily attendance things would
20 work.

21 Is it mix gender?

22 MS. ROMELIEN: We could -- we
23 have the ability to house both male and
24 female, currently we only have males at
25 Horizon. The female population is

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2 typically small, but we do have the
3 ability to house both male and female.

4 MR. POLESE: And the ten units,
5 are there floors? How do the kids get
6 grouped?

7 MS. ROMELIEN: There are two
8 floors at Horizon. We have the majority
9 of our housing units are 15-bed units;
10 however, we do have two eight-bed units,
11 one six-bed unit, and one five-bed
12 infirmary unit.

13 MR. POLESE: So it would be some
14 -- the units themselves, when they came
15 together as a group of ten, it might be
16 kids from various units? How are you
17 thinking about that?

18 MS. ROMELIEN: So we're thinking
19 about primarily housing-based programming
20 where a vendor would go on to the unit or
21 the unit would go to a multipurpose area,
22 like Jeremy mentioned, to provide
23 services.

24 We have, on occasion, mixed young
25 people depending on the interests of the

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2 program, so it's a variety of both.

3 MR. POLESE: Is there a classroom
4 space?

5 MS. ROMELIEN: There are
6 classrooms. We have a full classroom at
7 Horizon.

8 MR. POLESE: So there's a
9 separate classroom building that we
10 wouldn't be using or what are you thinking
11 there?

12 MS. ROMELIEN: So the facility is
13 all in one. On the second floor, we have
14 classrooms and we have two classrooms on
15 the first floor.

16 MR. POLESE: And conceivably, the
17 provider would be able to make use of that
18 space?

19 MS. ROMELIEN: Correct.

20 MR. POLESE: So that kind of
21 helps figure out how this might all work
22 together.

23 MS. ROMELIEN: And there's a day
24 area in all the housing units which is a
25 large multipurpose area where young people

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2 programming can be provided as well.

3 MR. POLESE: That's all real
4 helpful, thanks a lot.

5 One other question. Will you
6 guys be issuing addenda that answer the
7 questions or will there be individual
8 responses to questions?

9 MS. CANTELMY: So we will be
10 issuing an addendum for any items that are
11 changing in the RFP.

12 In terms of the responses that
13 we're giving to the questions, the
14 transcript will be posted on our website
15 so you'll be able to see all the responses
16 that were given.

17 MR. POLESE: So we shouldn't go
18 to Accelerator, we should go to the
19 website?

20 MS. CANTELMY: For today's
21 transcript.

22 MR. POLESE: Thanks.

23 MS. BASTIDAS: Josephina
24 Bastidas, Center For Community
25 Alternatives.

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The question is regarding the population to be served and the fact that the contractor will not control the number of individuals that are in the facility.

How are you thinking to handle that? Is there a possibility of adding population for the purpose of complying with the contractor as DYCD requires? What are you planning to do regarding that?

MR. SYROP: The language utilized in the RFP is all available youth, right, so that is not a particular attendance metric, we are simply asking of the provider to serve those who are available.

So there's not a particular number that we are identifying. The RFP estimates that roughly 85 youth may need to be served on any given day, but in terms of what is expected, it's all available youth. It may be 85; it may be greater than 85; it may be less than 85.

MS. WHITE: If there are no more questions, I'm going to continue by

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2 closing out this conference by reminding
3 you that once we close this segment, the
4 panel will no longer be available. Any
5 questions that you have, you would want to
6 submit them in writing to
7 RFPquestions@dycd.nyc.gov. Please be sure
8 to put "Horizon RFP" in the subject line.

9 Please be reminded of the most
10 important date, January 17th, 2019 at
11 2:00 p.m., all proposals, again, are due
12 to be submitted in the HHS Accelerator
13 System.

14 Also please note that if there's
15 any addenda issued for this RFP it will be
16 made available in the HHS Accelerator
17 System; however, the transcript; the
18 presentation; the attendance roster, that
19 will be made available on our website.

20 And please make sure that
21 everything that you filled out upon
22 signing in is clear and legible because if
23 there's any communication, we need to make
24 sure we have the correct contact
25 information.

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And I believe that's all. That's everything that we needed to cover. Thank you for being a great audience and have a wonderful rest of the day. Thanks.

(Time noted: 2:40 p.m.)

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