

Procurement Summary

Basic Information

Procurement Title: ICM Plus: Transformative Mentoring Intervention

Agency: Department of Probation

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Procurement Description:

The New York City Department of Probation (DOP) helps build stronger and safer communities by supervising people on probation, fostering positive change in their decision-making and behavior, and expanding opportunities for them to move out of the criminal and juvenile justice systems through meaningful education, employment, health services, family engagement and civic participation.

DOP has already developed and implemented two transformative mentoring programs, Arches and Next STEPS for young adults aged 16-24. The original transformative mentoring program, Arches, has operated since July 1, 2012, serving young adults on Probation. The Next STEPS program has operated since December 2014, serving young adults involved in crime within targeted New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) housing developments. An evaluation of the Arches Program was recently conducted by the Urban Institute. The results of the evaluation indicate that participants in the Arches program were less likely to be re-convicted of a crime and that felony conviction rates declined after both 12 and 24 months on probation compared when matched to a comparison group. The report also indicated that there was a reduction in recidivism for participants who complete the Arches journaling curriculum.

Based on these positive indications, DOP is looking to further expand the reach of Arches-like Transformative Mentoring interventions. Through this RFP, DOP is seeking appropriately qualified community-based providers to make available neighborhood based transformative mentoring services to juveniles, as part of Enhanced Intensive Community Monitoring (EICM). ICM (Intensive Community Monitoring) is designed to help juvenile probation clients make good decisions and avoid being sent to detention facilities. The goals of ICM include retention, appearance at all court hearings and avoidance of detention for successful completion. Enhanced ICM (EICM) is the highest level of alternative to detention (ATD) programming for high risk youth which involves a higher level of programming than ICM, similarly designed to ensure that these higher risk clients appear at all court hearings and do not re-offend during the pendency of their petition.

HHS Accelerator Service Applications Required:

To receive this RFP in the HHS Accelerator system, you must have an approved Service Application for **at least one** of the following:

- Case Management
- Community Engagement
- Conflict Resolution/Mediation
- Life Skills
- Preventative Services