

Procurement Summary

Basic Information

Procurement Title:

Drop-In Facilities for Homeless Adults

Agency:

Department of Homeless Services (DHS)

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Procurement Description:

The Department of Homeless Services works to prevent homelessness before it occurs, address street homelessness, and assist New Yorkers in transitioning from shelter and street homelessness to permanent housing. DHS collaborates with non-profit partners to provide temporary shelter and services that homeless New Yorkers need to achieve and maintain housing permanency.

In order to meet the needs of street homeless clients DHS contracts out for drop-in centers where street homeless clients can receive case management, housing assistance, food, showers and other services with the goal of getting them off the street and into housing. Contracted outreach teams will be the sole referral source into Drop-In Centers. This allows an outreach worker the ability to provide an immediate placement option for a street homeless client, without a protracted admissions process. Additionally, it ensures that the Drop-In facility capacity will be allocated to street homeless clients with the greatest acuity of need. DHS reserves the right to expand the referral source options, based upon DHS need and available capacity.

DHS acknowledges that many street homeless clients will require intensive services over a period of time to achieve permanency, while others will be able to move on to an alternative housing option more quickly. The expectation is that clients would be assisted in achieving permanency in the shortest reasonable period possible, ideally six (6) months, but no longer than nine (9) months, unless a longer period is agreed upon with DHS. Utilizing a "housing first" approach, this resource is provided to the chronically street homeless individual who has historically not accepted other placement options

HHS Accelerator Service Applications:

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

- Case Management
- Mental Health Services
- Primary Care
- Substance Abuse Services
- Shelter