

Procurement Summary

Basic Information

Procurement Title: LIFE General Shelter

Agency: Department of Homeless Services

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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 April 2016, Mayor de Blasio announced a major restructuring of homeless services in New York City by creating an integrated and streamlined management structure for DHS and the Human Resources Administration (HRA) under the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services. In February 2017, the Mayor announced his comprehensive plan to turn the tide on homelessness, neighborhood by neighborhood. The plan's guiding principle is community and people first, and giving homeless New Yorkers, who come from every community across the five boroughs, the opportunity to be sheltered closer to their support networks and anchors of life, including schools, jobs, family, medical care, houses of worship, and communities they called home in order to more quickly stabilize their lives. Learn more about how DHS is turning the tide on homelessness, neighborhood by neighborhood, at nyc.gov/tide.

DHS is seeking an appropriately qualified contractor to operate a 200- bed general population shelter for homeless women at the LIFE Shelter facility located at 78 Catherine Street in Manhattan, NY 10038.

The LIFE shelter will provide temporary housing accommodations and social services to individuals experiencing homelessness until viable housing alternatives become available. In addition to locating viable housing, the residence program would promote the client's move to independent living. The contractor must provide, at a minimum, social services, assistance in seeking permanent housing, assistance in seeking employment and linkages to medical and behavioral (mental health and substance use), health care and recreation services. Services are provided on-site and/or through linkages with other community-based programs.

**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
- Homeless Prevention
- Mental Health Services
- Preventive Services
- Shelter