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LETTER OF INTEREST NUMBER 962-5211 CHILD-ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRIC HEALTH FACILITY

The County of Fresno will be issuing Requests for Proposals (RFP) for a Child-Adolescent Psychiatric Health Facility. To contain reproduction and mailing costs, we will mail the RFP only to those organizations that request them.

The interest form must be received by FAX or mail at Fresno County Purchasing by 5:00 p.m. on October 8, 2013.

If your organization is interested in receiving an RFP for Child-Adolescent Psychiatric Health Facility, please return the completed form to:

Letter of Interest Number 962-5211 County of Fresno Purchasing 4525 E. Hamilton Avenue, 2nd Floor Fresno, CA 93702 Phone: (559) 600-7112

FAX: (559) 600-7126

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If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Flores, Buyer II, Purchasing Division at (559) 600-7112.

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INTRODUCTION

Fresno County's Department of Behavioral Health is seeking a qualified organization to develop and operate a traditional psychiatric health facility (PHF) for youth ages 7-18. The proposed Child-Adolescent PHF would have a capacity to serve up to 16 clients. A traditional PHF is authorized pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4080 et.al. and Title 22, Division 5, Chapter 9 et.al. of the California Code of Regulations.

The purpose of this Letter of Interest is to provide organizations a basic level of information regarding the program and to solicit their interest and capacity to develop such a program.

BACKGOUND

The Central Valley lacks access to acute inpatient psychiatric services for children and youth. There has been a series of closures of acute inpatient programs throughout the Central Valley and in the neighboring regions of the state. In 2002, Fresno's Cedar Vista Hospital's adolescent unit closed. The adolescent units associated with Stanislaus Behavioral Health Center closed in 2005 and Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula discontinued accepting youth for inpatient treatment in 2006. Currently the nearest pediatric inpatient psychiatric units are located in Bakersfield and in Sacramento.

FACILITY

Fresno County has identified a facility on County property that could be remodeled for this purpose. The facility is located at 4411 E. Kings Canyon Road, Fresno, CA 93702 and is located within the Intensive Services Building No. 319 (see Exhibit A). The facility was originally designed and operated as a Mental Health Rehabilitation Center by County staff and can be reconfigured to function as a Child-Adolescent PHF. The Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health would fund the remodeling of the facility. The facility consists of approximately 7,260 sq.ft. and includes 9 client rooms and 2 seclusion rooms (please see Exhibit B). The Child-Adolescent PHF would be configured to serve up to 16 clients. Fresno County would execute a facility use agreement with the selected bidder. The successful bidder would need to be willing to teleconference and coordinate with multiple placing counties.

INFORMATION REQUESTED

The Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health would like interested parties to briefly provide the following information:

- 1. Indicate on page one (1) of this Letter of Interest if your organization anticipates submitting a request for proposal for the proposed services once the Request for Proposal is made available.
- 2. On a separate page **briefly** describe your organization's experience in providing acute inpatient psychiatric services for children and adolescents.



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Exhibit A RFP 962-5211



