

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### Youth leadership, prevention and reproductive health services

Issued by: Consortium for Child Welfare/Family Ties Project

Submissions due no later than December 30, 2009

Grant Award: up to \$25,000

#### **Background:**

In 1996, through a grant from the United States Department of Health and Human Services/Administration for Children and Families/Children's Bureau, the Consortium for Child Welfare (CCW) was awarded funding to implement the Family Ties Project (FTP). FTP is a city-wide collaborative model in Washington DC which provides comprehensive permanency planning services to families affected by HIV/AIDS. The mission is to promote and preserve the well-being of families by utilizing a multi-disciplinary approach to service delivery. Through subcontracts and memorandums of understanding with several organizations, FTP provides wrap around services including medical, housing, legal services, mental health, youth development, case management and coordination, supportive services, and training.

The Family Ties Project's creative and innovative approach ensures effective case coordination and timely service delivery by identifying common goals, conducting comprehensive assessment, increasing accountability, and avoiding duplication of services.

#### **Purpose:**

The Family Ties Project currently serves approximately 70 families affected by HIV/AIDS in DC and over 175 children ranging from 0 to 18 years of age. Nearly half of the children served by FTP range in ages from 13-18. The adolescent years are crucial in educating and empowering youth to protect themselves and lead their peers in healthy lifestyles, prevention/ education and advocacy. In order to address this growing need, FTP seeks to provide funding to an established community based organization to implement a specific youth development program and other services for FTP youth.

**Scope of Services:**

The Family Ties Project is requesting proposals from established non-profit organizations based in Washington DC to provide specific service to youth enrolled in FTP. The activities should include: after-school enrichment activities, youth leadership programming, HIV/AIDS awareness and education services, prevention and reproductive health services. The selected organization will be required to provide daily, long-term, on-site services to a minimum of 20 FTP youth ranging between the ages of 13-18. The project should include but not be limited to leadership and empowerment activities, reproductive health education/prevention activities and access to adolescent friendly health centers. Additionally, organization representatives will be required to be a part of the FTP multi-disciplinary team and attend all mandatory meetings. The ideal organization will have an established youth program with documented evaluation/outcomes.

**Application Requirements:**

Applicants must submit a 3-5 page proposal including your organizations capacity to meet the grant requirements, a narrative of the program, monitoring and evaluation plan, activity plan, budget, and budget narrative.

**Review Process:**

Eligible proposals will be reviewed and the successful organization will be informed by Jan10, 2010 and the contract will be executed no later than Jan 15, 2010.

**Proposals should be submitted by mail or electronically (PDF) to:**

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