

RFI-C, Community Based Residential Program, Official Responses to Questions

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1.	Can a Provider respond to the RFI if they will have a Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent by the time the program(s) opens?	As indicated in the last paragraph of the RFI document: To be eligible for further consideration, responders to this RFI must have a current Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent and any required license(s).
2.	Is it required that a Provider respond to the RFI in order to be considered for the possible competitive solicitation?	As indicated in the last paragraph, DOCCS is using this RFI to explore the options available for the residences needed in the designated counties. Only contractors who respond would be sent any potential solicitation.
3	Does the grant referenced in the RFI include Nassau County? If not, will there be a grant released that includes Nassau County?	The RFI specifies Kings, Queens, Bronx, and New York Counties. The contract for Nassau County does not expire until the end of April 2017.
4.	In client group B, please provide description of required increased supervision and structure.	CBRP requirements and rules will often provide more supervision and structure than a parolee experiences in other settings. This may include rules re: behavior, visitors, program participation, curfew, etc. More details will be supplied if a solicitation is released based on responses to this RFI.
5.	In client group B, please describe difference in client who requires temporary housing vs. client who does not have acceptable residence noted in client group A.	Group A are individuals who are being released directly from incarceration to the community and who were unable to secure appropriate housing from the confines of prison. Group B are, for example, individuals who have been in the community and may have loss a residence (e.g. eviction) or removed from a residence by the Parole Officer due to issues such as domestic violence, negative influences, poor living conditions, etc.
6.	In client group C, does this require a medical model on site or via referral to medical/mental health services only with knowledgeable staff on site (or accessible)?	Either approach may be proposed but onsite medical services are not required. Referral services require evidence of availability (e.g. letter of agreement with a community clinic/hospital, treatment provider, etc). More details will be supplied if a solicitation is released based on responses to this RFI.

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7.	Can facilities have more than one client per sleeping quarters?	Yes, more details will be supplied if a solicitation is released based on responses to this RFI.
8.	Does each client require a stand alone bed or are bunk beds acceptable?	Bunk beds are acceptable with applicable square footage parameters.
9.	What are the square footage requirements for sleeping quarters, lounge space/recreation/common areas, toilets, kitchen areas, and offices?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sleeping area: 80 square feet per resident for single beds, or 40 square feet per resident for two-deck bunks or temporary usage. • Kitchen: 50 square feet. • Assembly: 6 square feet per person • Corridor widths: 3 feet minimum • Minimum ceiling height in living areas: 7 feet 6 inches • Minimum ceiling height in corridors: 7 feet • There is a minimum of one toilet and one sink per each 10 residents and a minimum of one tub or shower per each 10 residents. • All facilities shall provide sufficient lavatory facilities to insure the privacy of male and female residents. <p>More details will be provided if a solicitation is released as a result of this RFI.</p>

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10	Would you know when the new one is coming out that is showing up in the grants gateway? It states anticipated release date of 12/31/15.	The anticipated release date referenced on the Grants Gateway pertains to the Request for Information release date.
11	Will funds be available for light to moderate site renovation?	No
12	<p>The RFI lists four Parolee Client Groups (see below). Are more detailed descriptions available for each client group? Parolee Client Groups are defined as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Client Group A: Newly released parolees from state correctional facilities who do not have an acceptable residence • Client Group B: Parolees who require increased supervision and structure or who are in crisis or require temporary housing • Client Group C: Parolees with mental health, physical and/or medical concerns • Client Group D: Parolees who have been convicted of arson and/or sex offense(s) 	More details will be supplied if a solicitation is released based on responses to this RFI.
13	Are there service requirements that differ between Parolee Client Groups?	All clients will have individual service needs. For example, a sex offender will require sex offender treatment services that other individuals will not require.