# Restoring Individuals through Supportive Environments (R.I.S.E.): Bidders Conference



November 21, 2014

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#### **Introductions**

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#### Premise of R.I.S.E.

#### THE PROBLEM

 We need to develop more community-based diversion programs for justice-involved youth

#### **ORGANIZING PRINCIPLES**

- Base what we build on what we know (evidence-based curriculums, i.e. One Summer, BAM, etc.)
- **Build capacity** in community organizations, both large and small, through continuous training and information sharing
- Thoroughly evaluate programming to determine long-term success

# R.I.S.E. – A strength-based approach to intervening with youth at high risk of violent involvement & recidivism

# What is R.I.S.E.

• 6-month intensive group counseling, mentorship, & skill-building program for justice-involved youth, focused on civic engagement and restorative justice

### Who's Eligible

- 15-17 year old males
- Two or more previous arrests

### Size & Timing

- Youth will be organized into cohorts of 1 mentor per 12 youth
- Each mentor will have two cohorts, one at a time, lasting 6 months each
- Providers will sign one-year contracts, with possible extension

# Sources of Youth

- JISC
- Non-JISC CPD Districts
- State's Attorney

- CPS
- Providers will be able to refer their own youth (if they meet eligibility requirements)

#### **Pilot**

Program currently being piloted with 93 youth referred from the JISC

### The Civic Engagement Curriculum

Project-based curriculum designed to empower young people with a deeper sense of responsibility for themselves and to community.



#### Build Relationships & Skills



### Develop Civic Leadership Projects



# Prepare for Success

- Focus on building positive relationships with the mentor and cohort
- Developing skills in listening, collaboration, & engagement
- Exploring ethics and social issues

- With support from the mentor, cohorts ID a community concern then plan and execute a project
- Develop skills around planning, communication, & problem solving
- Meet with a civic leader

- Focus turns to their transition out of the program
- Transitions occur as a group and individuals

### Two two-hour sessions will occur weekly

### Other R.I.S.E. Components

### **One-on-One Mentoring**

Mentors will help youth develop IAPs, coordinate wrap-around services, implement the CLF curriculum, provide individual & group instruction, & support youth through the project (including after hours)

#### **Individual Achievement Plans**

Each youth will develop an individualized service plan. Five goals, two of which are required:

- Program Attendance
- School or alternative education setting

#### **Incentive-Based Structure**

Mentors will have a small budget for incentives for participation and milestone completion

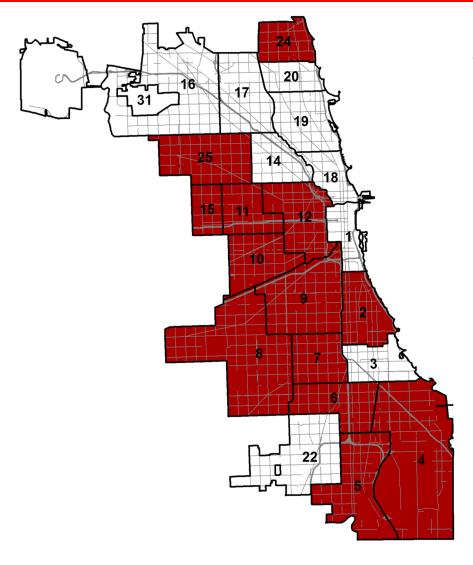
#### Trauma-Informed Care

All those working with youth must be trained in trauma-based practices. Training will be provided by DFSS to agency staff that not have been trained previously.

#### **GOALS**

- Provide
   adequate
   individual
   attention to the
   youth, their
   family
- Reinforce civic leadership curriculum
- Set and obtain goals driven by the youth

#### **Site Locations**



# Providers must be located in one or more of the following Chicago Police Districts:

2 – Wentworth\* 10 – Ogden\*

4 – South Chicago 11 – Harrison\*

5 – Calumet 12 – Near West\*

6 – Gresham 15 – Austin

7 – Englewood\* 24 – Rogers Park

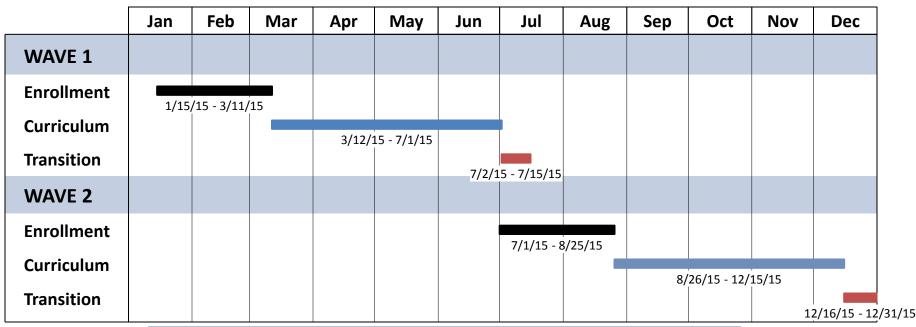
8 – Chicago Lawn\* 25 – Grand Central

9 – Deering\*

\* - Districts in the JISC

#### **Timeline**

(Approximate, subject to change)



# Assignment Process

- Up to **15** youth will be assigned per cohort (DFSS assumes some attrition will take place)
- Youth will be assigned to sites by local CPD Districts, the JISC (through SGA Youth & Family Services), Cook County State's Attorney, & CPS. DFSS will coordinate the assignment process
- Providers will be allowed to refer a minimum of 2 of their own youth, provided they meet the eligibility criteria

Mentors must be ready to begin training starting January 15 (approximate)

### **Data & Performance Management**

# What must be tracked

- Enrollment
- Group attendance
- Interactions with youth
- Progress of youth through the intervention
- Additional metrics as needed

# How will it be tracked

- Online via Cityspan (screenshots for JISC system on the right)
- Training will be provided to all staff





### **Budget**

# **Approximate Award**

\$50,000 per site (\$25,000 for each cohort, 2 cohorts per year)

# Award Includes

- Mentor Salary
- Transportation for Youth
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- Field Trips/Enrichment/Snacks
- Materials/Supplies

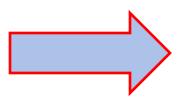
- Admin (10% of grant-funded program costs, 15% for lead/sub).
   Does not include 15% in-kind match
- DFSS will cover all training costs

#### Sample Grant (for illustrative purposes only)

	Lead agency directly providing services	Sub agency providing services, contracting through lead agency
Grant-Funded Program Costs	\$45,455	\$45,455
Admin Costs	\$4,545	\$6,817
	(10% of program costs)	(15% of program costs)
<b>Total Grant</b>	\$50,000	\$52,272

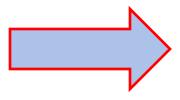
# Lead/Sub

Lead agency will service youth



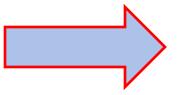
**Lead applies** 

Sub agency has identified a lead agency



Lead applies – provides information on sub in application

Sub agency has not identified a lead agency



Sub applies with no lead. City will try to pair with Lead agency

Interested in finding a lead or sub? Sign up before leaving.

# **Application Criteria**

Criteria	Key Questions	Points
Organizational Capacity	Sufficient controls to administer the program/contract successfully?	25
Quality Proposed Program	Program align with the RFP? Knowledge in developing & delivering this type of program? Prior experience delivering this type of service and/or working with justice-involved youth? History of implementing a prescribed curriculum?	25
Quality of Proposed Budget	How realistic and accurate is the budget? Align with the program? 15% match? Operating budget of more than \$500,000?	20
Leverage	What is being leveraged in terms of exiting fund? Linkages and relationships with other providers?	10
Special Considerations	Any special/specific skills towards serving specifics geography or juvenile offenders?	10
Overall Responsiveness	Is the submission complete?	10

### Additional potential criteria included in the RFP

## **Application Process & Timeline**

Proposal Release Date	November 12, 2014
Bidders Conferences	November 21, 2014
Proposal Due	December 8, 2014 (5:00 PM)
Anticipated Contract Start Date	January 1, 2014

All submissions via Cyber Grants. Application can be accessed via http://tinyurl.com/riseapplication

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS NEEDED TO LOGIN.

DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!!!