**Addendum #1**

**North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services**

**Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Use Services**

**RFA Questions and Answers**

**RFA #:** DMH24-002

**RFA Title:** Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)

**Addendum Number**: 1

**Questions Received Until Date**: January 17, 2024

**Questions and Responses**

1. **Question:** *I have two locations and I wanted to get a sense of which location I should apply under.  One of my locations is in Gaston County which is not in one of the cities listed.  My other location is located in Charlotte, but most of my collaborations are in Gaston County.*

**Answer:**

The PATH RFA provides at page 4:

Eligible applicants must be a private non-profit community agency or a political subdivision of the state and located in Asheville, Charlotte, Durham, Fayetteville, Raleigh, Greensboro, and Wilmington. Organizations located outside of these cities may apply under the following conditions:

* The Organization provides another service in the city and demonstrates collaboration and partnerships with community mental health providers and/or homeless service providers.
* The Organization has the infrastructure to implement PATH in the city applying for and provides documentation to demonstrate ability to implement a successful PATH Program.

The Organization must have experience providing services, such as street outreach and connecting individuals to community mental health, who are living outdoors with a serious mental illness.

The State specified seven cities based upon the concentration of homeless living in those communities. The State will accept applications for other North Carolina geographic areas. The applicant should provide the information specified above and in the remainder of the RFA and include a specific description of the geographic area proposed for PATH outreach coverage.

**Addendum #2**

**North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services**

**Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Use Services**

**RFA Questions and Answers**

**RFA #:** DMH24-002

**RFA Title:** Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)

**Addendum Number**: 2

**Questions Received Until Date**: January 17, 2024

**Questions and Responses**

1. **Question:** *Are applications accepted that are higher than the proposed budget. Just want to confirm that we can apply for an amount higher than the proposed budget for this RFA. We would like to submit a proposed budget that would maintain our current staff of six (1-Team Lead, 3-case managers, 1-Peer Support Specialist, 1-Data Specialist/SOAR Benefit Specialist).*

**Answer:** Applicants can submit applications for budgets in excess of the Funding specified in Section I of the RFA. The applicant should provide sufficient details and justification for their proposed budget.

1. **Question:** *For the Matching portion how do we determine what will be made available in state matching funds?*

**Answer:**  In the fifth column of the funding chart set forth in Section I of the PATH RFA, the proposed use of the State match is provided. A final determination of the allocation of State match funds will be made upon review of all applications and the selection of applicants to be awarded contracts.

1. **Question:** *Is it a requirement that organizations must operate in the identified cities in RFP? Do we need to operate in all these locations or the selected regions we choose?*

**Answer:** Applicants do not have to operate in all of the cities identified in the PATH RFA. The cities set forth in the PATH RFA were selected due to the concentrations of homeless individuals located in their areas. Applicants can submit applications for one or more of the identified cities. Also, as indicated above, the State will accept applications for other North Carolina geographic areas. The applicant should provide the information specified above and in the RFA and include a specific description of the geographic area proposed for PATH outreach coverage.

1. **Question:** *Does each city/location require its own budget form (excel sheet)- should it be submitted as one excel or as separate documents?*

**Answer:** The State would prefer if the Applicant provide a budget form for each city/location.

**Application Process Summary Dates:**

~~01/03/2024: Request for Applications released to eligible applicants.~~

~~01/17/2024: End of Q&A period. All questions due in writing by 5pm.~~

~~01/24/2024: Answers to Questions released to all applicants, as an addendum to the RFA.~~

~~01/25/2024: Notice of Intent due (non-binding).~~

**02/13/2024: Applications due by 5pm.**

**02/23/2024: Successful applicants will be notified.**

**07/01/2024: Proposed Contract begins.**