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AMENDMENT TWO



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DATE AMENDMENT ISSUED: October 9, 2020

RFP TITLE: Primary Prevention Research and Evaluation Technical Assistance

PROPOSAL DEADLINE DATE IS NOT CHANGED: October 26, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m. local Alaska time

NOTE: It is the offeror's responsibility to review and accept all amendments to this solicitation.

This amendment is being issued to:

- 1) Recognize the corrected Submittal Form E – Cost Proposal (attached separately). An offeror's failure to use the corrected Submittal Form E shall cause their proposal to be considered non-responsive and rejected.

Questions submitted by potential offerors and answers from the state

Question 1: What worked well about the previous contractor's services and what would you like to be different moving forward?

Answer: What worked well: The partnership with the incumbent contractor has worked well due to their provision of:

- Grounded knowledge and expertise with primary prevention programming specific to Intimate Partner Violence and/or Sexual Assault at the National and State level;
- Data (development of common indicators, collection, analysis, trend reporting)
- Practice of Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) directed by data analysis of sub-grantee program reports, along with research findings at the State and National levels.
- Training and Facilitation Skills;
- Responsiveness to CDVSA staff in relationship to contract deliverables;
- Communication with prevention grantees; ANDVSA, and other state level planning and implementation partners.
- Resource development specific to the field;
- Coalition and/or partnership engagement and approach to prevention

Moving Forward: We are seeking the same or similar types of professional experience and service provision from the successful offeror throughout the span of the contract. In addition, CDVSA will be seeking support from the successful offeror to analyze existing community and state level data sets as they relate to the primary prevention of intimate partner violence (IPV)/dating violence (DV) and/or sexual violence (SA). Over the past 10-years, Alaska has gathered multiple data sets related to these areas of work. The goal of the analysis is to assist CDVSA staff best meet their statutory obligation to move forward with long-term planning, program development, coordination and evaluation at the state and local levels. In relationship to community programming specifically, our goal is to build on what we know through the past decade of work and data collection to best inform the development and tangible action items that will be outlined in a new RFP for community prevention in the spring of 2021.

Question 2: What 12 indicators are the grantees already measuring? Would you like additional evaluation components to assess the impact or implementation of the grant, or just a continuation of what is being done now?

Answer: This amendment recognizes the change to Sec 3.01, Community (page 9) - indicators measured include 5 organizational assessment elements and 8 common indicators. In total, there are 13 measures being monitored across all 12 grantees. Prevention indicators currently tracked under the CDVSA community prevention program grants include components of organizational assessment along with common indicators. To learn more about the community measures that are currently monitored please review the year two

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annual prevention program report located: <https://dps.alaska.gov/getmedia/c80c250d-4dee-4171-8617-c899f3739a80/FY19-Prevention-Evaluation-Report.pdf>.

Question 3: Are you interested in training and technical assistance related to evaluation, prevention or both?

Answer: Both.

Question 4: On the bottom of P.7 and top of P. 8, it states "They will also work with CDVSA at the state level to review state prevention plans and priorities across multiple fields to highlight common risk and protective factors, as well as develop project initiatives to help CDVSA staff better coordinate and integrate prevention initiatives across related fields." Could you explain more about what this entails? For example, what do you mean by develop project initiatives? Also, about how many state prevention plans and priorities will be involved?

Answer: Over the past five to seven years, research at the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention, has resulted in a number of technical assistance packages for prevention which includes highlighting the common risk and protective factors across multiple forms of violence at individual, relationship, community and societal levels of the social ecology. Research continues to evolve at the National level and the work helps those of us working in prevention to "Coordinate and integrate responses to violence in a way that recognizes these connections and considers the individual in the context of their home environment, neighborhood, and larger community."

Over the past three-year funding cycle, Alaska's primary prevention efforts in IPV/SA are shifting from a topic specific approach to primary prevention to one that considers shared risk and protective factors across multiple forms of violence, public health concerns and social justice work. The goal here is to assist communities and the state coordinate prevention efforts (where it makes sense to do so as not all risk and protective factors impact IPV/SA prevention).

CDVSA's previous contractor conducted a comparison of state prevention plans (with identified goals and outcomes for IPV/DV/and/or SA) in 2018 and then again in SFY20. The cross walk of plans identified common goal areas for IPV/DV and/or SA prevention across multiple stakeholders. Again, this information, assists CDVSA staff meet statutory obligations to move forward long term planning, program development, coordination and evaluation with state level stakeholders, in related fields, thus creating space to leverage resources and prioritize programming whose outcomes address risk and/or protective factors shared across multiple arenas.

Specifically, by developing project initiatives, the contractor will identify opportunities among state level coalitions/workgroups and other stakeholders to coordinate and/or implement programming that would benefit all our priority areas. As state-level coalitions and workgroups continue to organize and national, state and local research continues to evolve in the IPV/DV/SA violence prevention arenas, it is envisioned that the successful offeror will work with CDVSA staff and key stakeholders such as the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, to review research, compare prevention planning goals in related fields, review data and make recommendations that can connect the dots across our multiple efforts and inform and/or prioritize program implementation.

Important Note to Offerors: You must sign and return this page of the amendment document with your proposal. Failure to do so may result in the rejection of your proposal. Only the RFP terms and conditions referenced in this amendment are being changed. All other terms and conditions of the RFP remain the same.

COMPANY SUBMITTING PROPOSAL

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

DATE

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