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**HCJFS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
CONNECTING THE DOTS FROM FOSTER CARE
TO EMPLOYMENT AND INDEPENDENT LIVING RFP#SC03-15R**

ADDENDUM 2

Q1. When will the budget template for this proposal be sent to Providers?

A: The budget is an attachment to this e-mail along with Addendum 2 and the Cover Sheet.

Q2. What is the page limit for this proposal?

A: We request proposals do not exceed 300 pages and numbered sequentially throughout the proposal, beginning with Cover Sheet. Please refer to Section 2.0 of the RFP for proposal format.

Q3. Can you define "closeout" as it appears at the bottom of Page 4? Will there be future funding?

A: Appropriately ending active youth services as outlined in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and providing WIOA follow-up services only to currently enrolled Connect the Dots youth.

Q4. There is no mention of Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Are they still connected to the project and is it a service we can continue to use?

A: Big Brothers/Big Sisters is still connected to the project and will continue to serve youth that have been matched with a mentor. No new matches can be made.

Q5. How many eligible youth are currently a part of and are being served by the Connect the Dots program?

A: Approximately 100 current or former foster youth.



Q6. In improving social functions in order to reduce rate of homelessness, are we being asked to provide housing for youth in this program; or will workshops/seminars on available resources satisfy this outcome?

A: If one of the current CTD youth becomes homeless, you would be expected to assist them in securing stable housing.

Q7. Are employment dollars available for youth through this program (i.e. internships)?

A: These funds may be used for internships as a part of one of the fourteen elements of WIOA, paid and unpaid work experience. Please review chapter 2, Youth Workforce Investment Activities, of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

Q8. Are OJT dollars available?

A: If a youth is 18 years of age or older they may be eligible for On-the-job (OJT) training funds through the OhioMeansJobs center of Cincinnati/Hamilton County.

Q9. With regards to equipment and facilities, is it allowable to pay for rental of equipment or facilities during the length of the program only (i.e. not a lease to purchase)?

A: Yes.

Q10. With regards to reducing rate of early motherhood/fatherhood, will workshops on abstinence, birth control, etc. satisfy this outcome?

A: Youth will attend Personal Responsibility and Education Program (PREP) training presented by Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Ohio.

Q11. Is the 2013-2014 Connect the Dots contract available for review?

A: Yes, through public records request.

Q12. What agency had the previous contract?

A: Cincinnati State Technical & Community College
Cincinnati Youth Collaborative
Easter Seals Tri-State
Lighthouse Youth Services
Santa Maria Community Services

