

Peer Program Request for Proposals (RFP)

Background

Some people with a mental illness tend to isolate themselves because of their symptoms, or due to a fear of rejection, being hurt, speaking in groups or simply being with other people. Limited hours of centers restrict access for those working. It also leaves long stretches of time in evenings and on the weekends where community support is unavailable.

The CommUNITY Adult Mental Health Initiative (CAMHI) encompasses Benton, Sherburne, Stearns, and Wright Counties. The mission of CAMHI is to provide support for persons experiencing serious mental health problems to enhance their contributions to the community. The Initiative currently has up to \$46,000 in renewable funds available for this program. Provider(s) selected through this RFP. process may have funding renewed annually, pending availability, if the program meets the needs outlined in the attached RFP. Please note funding amount is subject to change and CAMHI cannot guarantee funding each year. Proposals are being sought from interested mental health providers for the delivery of a Peer Program to adults with serious and persistent mental illness (S.P.M.I.) who is a resident of one of the four counties. Preference given to funding requests specifically related to evidenced based practices.

Objective

The Peer Program(s) should encourage residents of Benton, Sherburne, Stearns and Wright County, who are coping with mental illness, to socialize with one another and to become more involved in the community.

Agency Responsibilities

- 1. Agency will need to recruit participants for the program and ensure adequate training, if necessary, is provided for each participant.
- 2. Agency will need to supervise participants of the program.
- 3. The agency shall comply with CAMHI's Board requests pertaining to ensure that all grant monitoring processes, reporting procedures, and other expectations as designated by Minnesota Department of Human Services are being followed.

Proposal Requirements

- 1. Detailed description of service to be provided
- 2. Program budget of expenditures
- 3. Define outcome measurements
- 4. Contact Information

Process and Timeline for submitting proposals

Completed proposals must be received no later than 4:30 P.M. on June 8, 2017. Proposals received after the deadline cannot be accepted. Proposals will be presented to the CAMHI Joint Powers Board at the first Board meeting following the deadline.

Please send proposals to:

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