



September 8, 2017

ADDENDUM

Contra Costa County's 2017 Request For Qualifications:

#1708-239 Program Evaluation Services

for the Proposition 47 "CoCo LEAD+" Project

Q & A from Questions Received



Written Questions: RFQ #1708-239

1. What is the role of Further the Work as part of the evaluation process??

There is no specified role for Further The Work in the evaluation process. Further The Work was retained to assist with the development of the County's Proposition 47 RFP response and with the launch of the project. The contract with Further The Work ends on December 31, 2017.

2. Who funds the HR 360 clients services? Contra Costa County?

Once enrolled into CoCo LEAD+, clients will meet with a Diversion Navigator to create an Individual Action Plan, drawing on an integrated array of public, private, and project specific resources. These services include County AB 109 funded community-based resources; County SB 678 funding for facilitated cognitive behavioral groups (CBT) and restorative justice circles; Prop. 47 funded transitional housing; HUD funded Section 8 vouchers; Medi-Cal funded residential, outpatient, and intensive outpatient SUD services. Of \$5,984,047 in awarded Prop 47 funds, \$4,702,767 (79%) will be passed through to HealthRIGHT 360, of which \$2,023,599 will be distributed via RFP to implement the project's housing, employment, restorative circles, and cognitive behavioral health services. The project provides \$3,088,205 (52%) as leverage, including HUD funds, Drug Med-Cal services, SB 678 funds, and AB 109 funds.

3. Listed in Attachment "A": "As the identified Evaluation partner, Impact Justice will obtain all necessary IRB approvals and data sharing agreements" as well as other evaluation services. Has Impact Justice already been identified as the evaluator for the Prop 47 project?

No, this procurement process will determine the evaluator for the CoCo LEAD+ project.

4. I'm developing our proposed budget following the BSCC grant guidelines. Do you know if there are any additional restrictions or guidelines from the County that we should be following as well?

There are no additional restrictions or guidelines from Contra Costa County.

5. What is the role of Impact Justice in this RFQ? What is the anticipated nature of the relationship the evaluator selected under this RFQ would have with Impact Justice, if any?

Impact Justice was identified as the proposed partner during the development of the grant application. However, subsequent to the grant award, and consistent with advice and guidance provided by the Board of State and Community Corrections, the County determined that the most



appropriate course of action for use of these public funds was to deploy a Request for Qualifications process in order to invite proposals from multiple qualified candidates. Impact Justice is eligible to submit a response to the RFQ.

6. Was Impact Justice involved in the development of the initial Proposition 47 proposal? Will Impact Justice be eligible to bid on this RFQ?

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7. Does the county have an Institutional Review Board (IRB) that will review and approve the evaluation design and data collection?

No, the County does not have an established IRB.

8. Are data available that will allow the contractor to track the progression of specific individuals through the system?

No. The successful proposer will develop project-specific program data protocols, which will include identification of appropriate data-management infrastructure, training partners on data-input protocols and agreements, and reviewing data-process integrity no less than quarterly. In addition to the funds available for use by the contracted evaluation partner, the project also allocates funds for a 0.5 FTE Planner/Evaluator within Behavioral Health, as well as a 1.0 FTE Data Analyst through the service contract with HealthRIGHT 360. Finally, the service contract with HealthRIGHT 360 also includes a total of \$160,000 (over the life of the grant) to support contracted data-system design and implementation support.

9. Is there a unique identifier assigned to individuals that can be used to link data across different agencies (e.g., arrest data to court data)?

Not at this time.

10. Is the department under which is project falls the same or different than the Reentry Council, and what, if any relationship, will there be between the two?

Contra Costa County does not have a Reentry Council established; we have an established Community Corrections Partnership, which includes the Director of the Behavioral Health Division. The Behavioral Health Division is a unit of the Health Services Department.