PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Trumbull County Department of Job and Family Services (TCDJFS) will be soliciting proposals from educational institutions, agencies and organizations interested in developing new and innovative programs for in-school and out-of school, low income Trumbull County youth for a tentative program period of September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015.

Proposed programming will be expected to include outreach, education, training, development, and supportive services for Trumbull County youth at or below 70% of the lower living standard who possess barriers to employment or academic achievement as defined under Workforce Investment Act (WIA) program requirements.

In an attempt to ensure a responsive solicitation process and to clarify the Request for Proposal (RFP), a Bidders' Conference/Technical Assistance Session will be provided on Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Trumbull County Department of Job and Family Services located at 280 North Park Avenue, Suite 1, Warren, Ohio 44481-1109. Proposal packets will be distributed beginning at the above-noted Bidders' Conference. Prospective bidders who do not attend the Bidders' Conference may obtain a proposal packet AFTER the Bidders' Conference is completed by contacting Judith Williams at TCDJFS between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday by calling (330) 675-7707 or by accessing the packet on the worldwide web found at <u>www.hs.co.trumbull.oh.us</u> and choosing the link indicating "News and Events."

Awarding of contracts under this solicitation will be contingent upon the appropriate allocation of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funding for the designated program period, and may be for any combination of the above-named services determined by TCDJFS for any time during the twelve (12) month period beginning September 1, 2014 and ending August 31, 2015, at the sole discretion of TCDJFS.

Completed proposals must be submitted to the Trumbull County Department of Job and Family Services, 280 North Park Avenue, Suite 1, Warren, Ohio 44481, no later than the **DEADLINE DATE OF 3:30 P.M. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2014**. Proposal responses received in person or by mail on or after this date and time will not be considered. All submitted proposals must be completed strictly according to the specifications and provisions outlined in the RFP packet in order to be considered.

The attention of the bidder is directed to the requirement that upon award of a contract, the bidder must duly sign a Non-Collusion Affidavit, a Personal Property Tax Affidavit, required by Section 5719.042 of the Ohio Revised Code, and a "Sign-Off Sheet" in agreement that the terms of the "New" Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy adopted by Trumbull County on 07/21/04 also apply to any contractors directly paid or reimbursed for services through Trumbull County.

Attention is also directed to all bidders that pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Sections 307.86 and 307.87, effective September 26, 2003, this notice of bid is required to be published only one time not less than two (2) consecutive weeks preceding the day of the opening of bids in a newspaper of general circulation within the county as the notice meets all other requirements defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 307.87(A) and will also be will be distributed by electronic means, with the posting of this notice on the TCDJFS' internet site on the worldwide web and found at <u>www.hs.co.trumbull.oh.us</u> and can be accessed by choosing the link indicating "News & Events." This notice may also be found on the local Tri-County OhioMeansJobs website at <u>www.onestopohio.org</u> and can be accessed by choosing the link indicating "Latest News." TCDJFS shall also post and maintain a copy of this notice on its public bulletin board in the TCDJFS' main lobby beginning with the date of the Bidders' Conference through the duration of the proposal acceptance period.

Publish One (2) Times: Tribune Chronicle; <u>Sunday, July 20, 2014 & Wednesday, July 23, 2014</u> The Youngstown Vindicator; <u>Saturday, July 19, 2014 & Wednesday, July 23, 2014</u> TCDJFS' Lobby Posting: Glass Wall Case for duration of solicitation period