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SUBRECIPIENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) is soliciting proposals for professional services.

1. **PROJECT INFORMATION:**

- 1.1. **Project Title:** Suicide Prevention for Adult Males Solicitation
- 1.2. **Solicitation Posting Date:** Wednesday, September 3, 2025
- 1.3. **Inquiry Start Date:** Wednesday, September 3, 2025
- 1.4. **Inquiry End Date:** Wednesday, September 16, 2025, by 3 p.m. All questions must be submitted via email to Procurement@odh.ohio.gov and include "DOH58122 Inquiry" in the subject line. Questions received after this date will not receive a response.
- 1.5. **Solicitation End Date:** Wednesday, September 24, 2025, by 3 p.m. All required application components must be received by **September 24, 2025, at 3 p.m.** Applications should be submitted and emailed to Procurement@odh.ohio.gov and include "DOH58122 Proposals" in the subject line. Each application component (Technical and Cost Proposals) must be clearly labeled.
- 1.6. **Project Background:** Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Violence and Injury Prevention Section (VIPS) is seeking support to both further suicide prevention efforts for males 25 – 59 in Ohio, while prioritizing high burden counties; and to simultaneously fulfill our requirements for the CDC-RFA-CE22-2204 Expansion and Growth of Comprehensive Suicide Prevention (CDC-CSP) agreement. ODH proposed utilizing the existing state suicide prevention plans and partnerships to implement targeted strategies that fill gaps for prevention efforts resulting in a comprehensive approach to suicide prevention utilizing the public health approach to address the male adult population.
- 1.7. **Project Objective:** The project objective is to increase suicide prevention programming statewide, with priority given to high burden areas, for adult males, ages 24-59.
- 1.8. **Projected Estimated Budget:** \$200,000.00 Not to Exceed for each project period.
- 1.9. **Project Award:** One (1) Award.
- 1.10. **Project Period:** 10/15/2025 – 6/30/2027

ODH reserves the right to execute multiple agreements with awarded provider to fulfill the entire project period, subject to and contingent on the discretionary decision of the Ohio General Assembly to appropriate funds (if needed) for the biennium, satisfactory performance of the awarded providers and the needs of the Ohio Department of Health.



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- 1.11. Agreement Term: 10/15/2025 – 6/30/2027 with up to two (2) years of additional Renewal Terms may not exceed after 6/30/2029.
- 1.12. Renewal Terms: 24-months optional renewal period(s) dependent upon the receipt and approval of funds to ODH for this project, this agreement may be renewed into two (2) 12-month terms.
 - Renewal Optional Year 1: 7/1/2027 -6/30/2028.
 - Renewal Optional Year 2: 7/1/2028 – 6/30/2029.

At the sole option of ODH, ODH may extend this Contract past the initial Agreement Term for a period of ninety (90) days. Renewal terms may be exercised by mutual agreement between the Subrecipient and ODH. The cumulative time of all mutual renewals may not exceed four (4) additional years and are subject to and are contingent upon the discretionary decision of the Ohio General Assembly to appropriate funds for this project in each new biennium. If any renewal is exercised, a new contract will be issued at the beginning of the new biennium. ODH may evaluate whether a renewal is appropriate considering the satisfactory performance of the Subrecipient and the future and continuing needs of ODH's Programs.

2. **PROJECT REQUIREMENTS**: Offeror(s) must meet the following mandatory requirements to be considered for evaluation.

- 2.1. Subrecipient Experience Requirement:

- 2.1.1. Offeror(s) must have a letter of support from Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (OHMAS) to support these activities. The offeror must work to reduce the stigma of suicide, promote evidence-based prevention strategies, and connect all Ohioans with community-based resources and raise awareness across the state of Ohio.

- 2.2. Candidate Expertise Requirement:

- 2.2.1. Offeror(s) must have previous experience in the field of suicide prevention, and previous experience working with stakeholders and state partners, including Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (OHMAS); and hold a valid Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist Assistant license.

- 2.3. Notice of Award Requirements: Eligible organizations may include State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments, institutions of higher education, non-profit organizations (including faith-based, community-based, and tribal organizations), and hospitals. Specific eligibility requirements are found in the program specific Solicitation.



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2.4. Mandatory Licenses &/or Certifications Required:

2.4.1. Offeror(s) must have a valid Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist Assistant (OCPSA) license.

3. SCOPE OF WORK AND DELIVERABLES:

3.1. Scope of Work:

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3.1.1	Offeror(s) must have the capacity to convene statewide partners to create a plan for adult males, ages 25-59, to facilitate evidence-based suicide prevention statewide with priority given to the high burden counties of Lucas, Lorain, Cuyahoga, Summit, Mahoning, Richland, Marion, Clark, Montgomery and Hamilton, and others identified by ODH.
3.1.2	Offeror(s) must have the ability to complete an environmental scan of the identified programs by ODH listed in the deliverable section.
3.1.3	Offeror(s) must have the experience and capacity to plan and execute a statewide suicide prevention conference and/or summit in coordination with ODH and other state agencies, as identified.
3.1.4	Offeror(s) must have the knowledge and experience to support the uptake of Suicide Fatality Review Committees in Ohio.

3.2. Deliverables and Due Dates:

DELIVERABLES		DUE DATE
3.2.1	Contractor must facilitate a statewide baseline environment scan with the assessment tool provided by ODH, as evidenced by submitting the results to ODH.	Within 30 days after awarded contract
3.2.2	Contractor must recruit members, to include partners identified in letters of commitments submitted to ODH, for participation in a multisector partnership workgroup to address suicide prevention with adult males, ages 25-59 in Ohio, as identified as submitting recruitment efforts to ODH. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Partners to be considered include local mental health boards, local health departments, health systems, local suicide coalitions from high burden counties, etc. with priority given to high burden counties.	Within 90 days after awarded contract.
3.2.3	Contractor must finalize the workgroup roster by submitting a list to ODH to include key multisector partners for approval.	Within 105 days after awarded contract.
3.2.4	Contractor must begin implementation of tier activities identified by ODH: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Tier 1-LifeSide Ohio.	Within 105 days after awarded contract.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tier 2-Question, Persuade and Refer for various healthcare professionals. • Tier 3-Man Therapy, with priority given to high burden counties identified by ODH. 	
3.2.5	Contractor must hold a kick-off in-person workgroup meeting with multi-sector partners to address this topic, as demonstrated by creating an agenda, hold a meeting and distributing meeting minutes to members.	Within 150 days after awarded contract.
3.2.6	Contractor must utilize the newly formed workgroup to create a draft of an action plan focused on males ages 25-59 with specific emphasis on the counties identified and state-level strategies to reduce suicide among males.	Within 150 days after awarded contract.
3.2.7	Contractor must support the uptake of Suicide Fatality Reviews (SFR) in counties without an operational SFR, with an emphasis on increasing uptake in the high-burden counties, as demonstrated by submitting a list of TA efforts and newly formed SFRs during contract, supporting distribution and access of the Suicide Fatality Review Manual; and summary of SFR Summit conducted.	Within 150 days after awarded contract.
3.2.8	Contractor must provide an update to the VIPS Contract Manager on the progress of meeting deliverables and providing technical assistance through participation in conference calls. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference calls to be determined. • Technical assistance calls with ODH will be scheduled monthly. 	Scheduled monthly throughout the contract term
3.2.9	Contractor must submit an updated environmental scan that will indicate if an activity was newly implemented or expanded across Ohio counties.	By the end of the contract period.

4. TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERION:

SUBRECIPIENT PROFILE		WEIGHT
4.1	Offeror(s) meets the requirement of providing a letter of support from Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (OHMAS) to support the activities.	20
4.2	Offeror(s) demonstrates experience in planning and executing statewide suicide prevention trainings, conferences, summits, etc.	20

STAFFING PLAN (PERSONNEL PROFILE)		WEIGHT
4.3	Offeror(s) ability to meet the requirement of one Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist Assistant on staff (certificate required) through Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board.	10



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4.4	Offeror(s) ability to meet the requirement of currently working with statewide partners, including Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (OHMAS).	10
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WORK PLAN		WEIGHT
4.8	Offeror(s) submits a workplan that demonstrates the capacity to reduce the stigma of suicide, promote ODH identified evidence-based prevention strategies, connect adult male Ohioans, ages 25-59, with community-based resources, raise awareness across the state of Ohio, and prioritize high burden counties.	20
4.9	Offeror(s) ability to meet the capacity to coordinate a male action group for Ohio.	20

TOTAL	100
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5. PROPOSAL SCORING

CRITERIA	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE POINTS
Technical Proposal	500
Cost Proposal	200
MBE Set -Aside	50
Total	750