

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Wrap-Around Supportive Service Partner

Towards Employment has been awarded a DOL grant to provide integrated reentry services, serving a larger overall number of regional reentry clients through collaboration to ensure a more seamless coordination of services across two counties pre- and post-release. The Cuyahoga-Lorain Early Advancement to Reentry (CLEAR) program will provide job training focused on in-demand and reentry-accessible employment opportunities, with client-success services including career readiness training, career guidance and placement assistance that enables accessible pathways to post-release employment and/or continuing training and education. Additional wrap-around services will be tailored to each participant's unique needs to reduce barriers to reentry and employment, reduce recidivism, and support pre- and post-release success. As a career pathways model, CLEAR guides participants through career readiness and work experience opportunities for skill enhancement, job placement and advancement, with strong coaching and wraparound support.

The CLEAR program is seeking a partner thru this competitive procurement process to provide holistic support providing integrated services that address not only immediate needs but also long-term goals. This includes educational support, mental health services, and community resources. Effective wraparound services rely on collaboration among various stakeholders and communication and cooperation between families, service providers, and community organizations; ensuring that the support provided is sustainable

The CLEAR Program is seeking a partner to provide wrap around services to restored citizens immediately upon returning to Lorain County listed below:

- Childcare Assistance: Help with finding affordable quality childcare services.
- Transportation Services: Support for transportation to and from work or training programs, including subsidies or vouchers.
- Housing Assistance: Support for securing stable housing or addressing housing instability.
- Counseling Services: Access to mental health and substance abuse counseling, referral base to connect participants for services.
- Case Management Support: Coordinated support to address barriers and coordinate services.
- Life Skills Training: Training in areas such as budgeting, time management, and stress management.
- Performance Metrics: Tracking and evaluating the effectiveness of services and outcomes achieved.
- Feedback Mechanisms: Gathering feedback from participants and employers to improve services.

These components work together to provide a comprehensive support system that addresses various aspects of an individual's journey towards successful employment and career development.

DETAILS OF BID SUBMITTAL

Date due:Friday, October 25, 2024, no later than 5:00pm ESTStructure to submit:Submit completed Bid FormSubmit via email to:Joan Crosby jcrosby@towardsemployment.org

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PROPOSAL APPLICATION TO PROVIDE SERVICES UNDER THE TOWARDS EMPLOYMENT CUYAHOGA-LORAIN EARLY ADVANCEMENT TO REENTRY PROGRAM:

Dates of Service 1/1/2025 to 12/31/26

DATE:

Name of Submitting Organization:

Name of individual submitting:

Contact information (email and telephone):

Name and title of authorized person to sign contracts for your organization:

Service providing Quote for: Wrap-Around Supportive Service Partner

Provide details for the following:

- Brief description of the organization, including history, mission, and relevant experience.
- Details of prior experience in providing supportive services, including examples of similar projects.
- Information on the team members who will be involved, their qualifications, and their roles in the project.
- Explain how you will coordinate services with Towards Employment case managers.
- Describe tool to be used to track each participant's services, document milestones achieved and provide monthly reports on services provided.

Total Quote to Provide Services (please attach a budget summary page):

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Evaluation Criteria:

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Quality of the Proposed Support (30%)
- Relevant Experience and Expertise (20%)
- Alignment with program goals (20%)
- Cost-Effectiveness (20%)
- Past Performance (10%)

Confirm will comply with the bulleted items (initial on the provided line):

- Will share provision of participant information and data after obtaining appropriate participant consent.
- _____ Will meet regularly, at least monthly, with Towards Employment staff; and participate on the project's Leadership Committee

Authorized signature

Date

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