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ANNOUNCEMENT

THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES (DHR) WILL RELEASE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR TRANSITIONAL LIVING/INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAMS ON THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2014.

The ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, (hereinafter referred to as “the Department”) seeks qualified vendors to provide statewide *Transitional Living and Independent Living* services to children in the custody of the state. *Transitional Living Programs (TLP)* will provide sixty-four (64) slots of transitional living services in a residential setting or in an alternative setting, such a specialized foster home care. *Independent Living Programs (ILP)* will provide sixty-four (64) slots of independent living programs in an alternative living arrangement whereby youth live in community-based housing rather than in a foster home or a group home setting. A more complete description of the services sought for this project is provided in *Section 3, Scope of Project*. Proposals submitted in response to this solicitation must comply with the instructions and procedures described in the procurement document.

An electronic copy of the RFP will be available by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, *May 22, 2014*, To access the RFP by the close of business on *Thursday, May 22, 2014* go to www.dhr.alabama.gov. Click on the RFP link entitled *Transitional Living/Independent Living Programs* under ANNOUNCEMENTS, which will take you directly to the RFP or click on Requests for Proposals under QUICK LINKS, then click on the RFP link *Transitional Living/Independent Living Programs*.

The initial contract terms will be for a period of **two (2)** years beginning *October 01, 2014* and ending *September 30, 2016*. Renewals of the contract, as agreed upon by both parties, may be made at one **(1)** year intervals, or any interval that is advantageous to the Department, not to exceed a total of three **(3)** years, at the option of the Department. *Selected vendors must be fully operational on October 01, 2014.*

If you are unable to access the RFP after its release using the above-mentioned web address, notify Starr Stewart (starr.stewart@dhr.alabama.gov) immediately via email.