

RFA: Mobile Vehicles for Addiction Treatment Services

OVERVIEW

On February 3rd, the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) released a Request for Applications (RFA) for funding to purchase a mobile treatment vehicle with the primary purpose of expanding access to addiction treatment services in underserved regions of New York State. OASAS will provide up to \$2.25 million in total funding through this RFA to eligible providers in each of the ten Economic Development Zones (EDZs) across New York State. Funding for this project is provided by the State Opioid Response Grant awarded to OASAS from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

The full RFP is available [here](#). Applications are due on February 24th.

FUNDING

Through this RFA, OASAS will provide one-time grants to organizations in each of the ten New York State EDZs (a list of EDZs is available in Attachment A of the RFA) for the cost of the vehicle and any associated vehicle costs, including insurance, maintenance, and gas. Maximum costs allowed for each selected vehicle type are as follows:

- Up to \$100,000 for a mobile treatment van, modified to allow for provision of telepractice as well as with space for individual and small group counseling; or
- Up to \$225,000 for a full mobile treatment clinic vehicle, modified to allow for provision of all outpatient services, including telepractice.

Applicants must identify which of these two vehicles they plan to purchase and why that vehicle will best serve the needs of the region. Funding may not be used for operational costs of mobile treatment services, including staffing.

The grant year for funding concludes on September 29th, at which point all funds must be expended. Applicants must provide an implementation plan identifying how mobile treatment vehicles will continue to be supported, including financial assistance for staffing and other operation costs.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Eligible applicants are OASAS outpatient programs operated by a not-for-profit voluntary agency, Local Government Unit, or for-profit organization. Outpatient rehabilitation programs are not eligible to apply.

APPLICATION

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Application Narrative (30 points)

- Implementation Plan (40 points)
- Budget and Justification (30 points)

Timeline

Applications are due on February 24th. Awards are expected to be announced on March 2nd.

Questions may be submitted to SOR@oasas.ny.gov by February 10th with “SOR – RFA Mobile Treatment Vehicle” in the subject line and a reference to the RFA section to which the question refers in the body of the email. Answers to questions will be posted on the OASAS website on February 18th.