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Dear Grant Applicants:

This letter is to announce the release of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Request for Proposals (RFP) # R-04-06-0118, for the purpose of obtaining up to twelve non-profit organizations for the purpose of providing statewide Child Care Resource and Referral Services to twelve service delivery areas (SDAs) as specified in the RFP. To be eligible for funding under this RFP, applicants must be community-based, non-profit organizations which do not provide child care. The goal of ODJFS for this project is to make child care resource and referral services available to all families in the state regardless of income, as well as to all child care providers, employers and the community, by establishing and/or maintaining a coordinated system of locally-based Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) Service Organizations. Appropriately qualified agencies may apply for an award of a CCR&R grant by submitting proposals which comply with the requirements established in this RFP and which address the development of resource and referral services for the improvement of the quality and availability of child care.

The grant agreements resulting from this RFP will be for a two-year period commencing July 1, 2003 (or upon notification of all grant and funding approvals) and ending June 30, 2005 with the option to renew the grant agreements for up to two more years (SFY 06 and SFY 07). Funds to be awarded under this grant have been made available through the Child Care Development Fund. Proposals must address the delivery of services for all counties in the SDA.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for this important project, please obtain the RFP through the ODJFS web site at <http://www.state.oh.us/odjfs/rfp>. If you would prefer that a paper copy be mailed or FAXED to you, please send your request via FAX to:

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Responses must be prepared and submitted in strict accordance with the requirements and time frames given in the RFP. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Hayes  
Director