

UNION COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

**RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Union County Improvement Authority is conducting a competitive procurement process to solicit qualifications and proposals from firms interested in purchasing or leasing all or part of the property and/or operations of the Runnells Specialized Hospital in Berkley Heights, New Jersey. The County of Union presently owns and operates Runnells, which contains a 300-bed Licensed Long Term Care Unit, a 44-bed Licensed Adult Psychiatric Care Unit, and room for expansion.

The procurement process and schedule are explained fully in a Request for Qualifications/Request for Proposals, which may be obtained on the Union County Improvement Authority's website, <http://ucimprovementauthority.org>. The RFQ/RFP describes the alternative ownership and operations options the County and the Authority, through a shared services agreement, wish to explore. These include purchase of the Runnells property and operations, in whole or in part; lease of the Runnells property and operations, in whole or in part; and purchase of the Runnells property only.

Proposals are due on December 10, 2013. Pre-Proposal Conferences and Site Visits will be conducted on October 9 and October 23, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at Runnells, and require advance registration, as explained in the RFQ/RFP. Please submit any requests for accommodation of persons with disabilities to the Union County Improvement Authority (908) 820-9710.

It is the goal of the County of Union and the Authority to select a proposer and a plan for Runnells that will be the most beneficial to the patients and to the County and its residents. Only firms that possess the experience and financial stability to carry out one of the options described in the RFQ/RFP will be considered.

The RFQ/RFP process is being undertaken in accordance with the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play" Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 *et seq.*

Union County Improvement Authority
Union County, New Jersey

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