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MS. WHITE: Good morning,
everyone. On behalf of Commissioner Bill
Chong, I would like to welcome you to the
Department of Youth and Community
Development's Pre-Proposal Conference for
COMPASS Elementary Programs Public Schools
Pin No. 26018I0006 and SONYC Programs
Public Schools Pin No. 26018I0007.

My name is Zenaida Marie White,
I'm the Assistant Deputy Agency Chief
Contracting Officer and today I will be
reviewing with you to start off our
mission statement at DYCD.

Our mission: The New York City

Department of Youth and Community

Development DYCD invests in a network of community-based organizations and programs to alleviate the effects of poverty and provide opportunities for New Yorkers and communities to flourish.

Our vision: DYCD strives to improve the quality of life of New Yorkers by collaborating with local organizations and investing in the talents and assets of

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communities to help them develop, grow and thrive.

We have an exciting agenda for you today. We have our welcome and timeline, Proposal expectations and instructions, Pre-qualifications and proposal submission, anticipated total funding and price per participant, program background and expectations, post-award requirements, and the question and answer session, which I know you're so eagerly awaiting for.

So let's just begin by
introducing to you our dynamic panel for
this morning. We have from the Department
of Education, we have Michael Hickey. We
have Tracy Caldron, she's our Assistant
Commissioner of COMPASS. We have our
Deputy Commissioner of Youth Services,
Susan Haskell. We have our Director of
Research and Program Development, Robert
Frenzel-Berra, he'll be on hand with
questions. And our very own beloved
Agency Chief Contracting Officer, Dana

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So before we hear from our panel,

I want to go over some very important
information beginning with the RFP
timeline.

You'll hear me refer to this date and time a lot throughout this conference. July 10th, 2018 the proposals are due to be submitted by 2:00 p.m. in the HHS Accelerator System. Anticipated award announcements are scheduled for late Fall 2018. We have an anticipated contract term of July 1st, 2019 through June 30th, 2023 with an option to renew for up to an additional two years.

If you have any questions that you would like to submit once this conference is over, please make sure you e-mail your questions to RFPquestions@dycd.nyc.gov.

All questions -- in order to ensure that you receive a timely response, we're asking that the questions be submitted no later than July 2nd, 2018.

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So we're going to now review the anticipated total funding price per participant.

COMPASS Elementary: For the full contract term total funding is anticipated to be \$231,822,428; price per participant is \$3,516.

For COMPASS Middle School: The full contract term total funding is \$130,730,936; price per participant is \$3,792.

So now we want to make sure that we highlight the proposal expectation and instructions.

Required documents. Please
ensure that in your submission you have:
Your proposal; community partnerships;
signed, again, I want to say signed School
Partnership Agreement; organizational
chart; job descriptions or résumés, if
available, for key staff positions;
budget; doing business data form; summer
activity schedule; school year activity
schedule.

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The major sections of RFP and how the points will be allocated is as follows: Organizational experience, a maximum of 20 points will be allocated.

Program approach, a maximum of 10 points will be allocated. Community partnerships, a maximum of 10 points will be allocated. Program design, a maximum of 30 points will be allocated. Staffing, a maximum of 25 points will be allocated.

And for budget management, a maximum of 5 points will be allocated.

Okay. Now we want to go over the proposal submission pre-qualification requirements, and this is going to -- how many of you are familiar with the HHS Accelerator System? Let me see your hands.

Great, that's the majority of you.

So I'll be doing just a real quick overview of the pre-qualification proposal submission, but I want to draw your attention to the back of the room to

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Derrick and Maryanne, they are here from MOCS and they will be on hand if you have any additional questions about the HHS Accelerator System. You can see them right after the conference ends, okay.

The HHS Accelerator System was launched to simplify and improve the competitive contract process for Health and Human Service providers. Agencies publish all request for proposals, RFP, documents in the HHS Accelerator System.

Again, we cannot stress how important it is that you are pre-qualified in the HHS Accelerator System and that you submit your proposals through the HHS Accelerator System. Please do not come with big giant packets of paper, that will not be accepted. You have to submit them electronically through the HHS Accelerator System.

Pre-qualified providers approved for relevant services are eligible to propose and can submit proposals after RFPs are released. Providers must submit

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proposals through the HHS Accelerator System by the proposal due date, which is July 10th and by 2:00 p.m.

If you have any additional questions, you can please e-mail help@mocs.nyc.gov.

And without further delay, I'd like to introduce once again Michael Hickey from the Department of Education, he's going to come up now to the podium.

MR. HICKEY: Thank you so much.

Good morning, everybody. It's a really
lovely day to be here. I don't know about
you, but I had a really invigorating
30-second walk from the Tweed office
building over here to join you today, but
it's really great to be outside on such a
beautiful day. And we're excited about
this, it's a major program for us and all
of you.

So I'm here -- I'm the Director of Strategy and Partnerships for the Office of Community Schools. Again, my name is Michael Hickey. I want to

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acknowledge quickly my colleague Odium
Tilihun (phonetic), she's a member of my
team. You also might have met Michelle
Rosa, also a member of my team. Both have
been instrumental as we prepare for the
RFP.

If you're not familiar with community schools, like broad brush, there are 227 community schools here in New York City, they service all grades, we work with about 117,000 students. I think the most important thing for you to know about them is that each one of these schools is matched with a lead CBO partner. Many of them are organizations you've heard, many of them are here in the room. I see some familiar faces in room.

Each one of those nonprofit

partners works with those schools to do

four things, primarily. One is ensure

that there's additional enrichment time

every school day, an extra hour. Two, to

support family engagement, so they are

actively working with parents to help them

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feel more connected to the school. Three is to drive attendance improvement strategies, so ways they are helping students overcome absence. And four is health supports and health initiatives, everything from vision screening to mental health support.

I think the most important thing for you all is to know who that lead CBO partner is in any school you're approaching. They're another important partner for you in the application process because they're going to have a lot of insight into what's happening in the school, the other nonprofit partnerships that are in the school, the orientation of the principal toward enrichment programing. They can be very helpful allies. If you'd like to get information, you can just go to communityschools.nyc. And you can find that's our web page, you'll actually see there's an "About Community Schools" and get a full list of our schools, including the nonprofit

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partners connected to the school.

If there's any questions, come grab me or Odium during or after the presentation. I'm also, you know, I'm happy to take a few questions as we go through, if you have any questions at any point, just feel free to shout out.

Okay. So School Partnership

Agreements. Is there anybody who this is
the first time they are hearing what a

School Partnership Agreement is?

(Indication from audience.)

MR. HICKEY: Okay. This is new -- okay, all right. We've got at least one audience member this is the first time.

So it's an agreement between you as an applicant and the school that you're willing to work together to develop a program here. So over the course of this planning period, before you make your application, you're actually encouraged to go out and meet with schools and to negotiate enough about what you might do

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with them that the school agrees to sign a School Partnership Agreement with you.

Every school -- every school that you reach out to is required to meet with you. They have an obligation, they have to say yes. If they are a community school and you reach out to them and you're just getting crickets, you can reach back to my office and we'll help you get connected. You can also check out to see who that lead CBO partner is in the school, they may be able to help you navigate to make sure you get a response.

Principals need to sign them.

Okay. So you actually have to have that agreement as part of your submission to the application, you get points for it, so you don't want to leave it off.

And is it a formal requirement to have an SPA or just bad point-wise if you don't?

Formal requirement. Okay, great.

Just so you know, after they do

their interview with you, they are going

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to tell us that they did the interview with you. That's how we keep track of you all getting a chance to meet with them.

Now a principal of a school can sign as many School Partnership Agreements during the application process as they want. Some of them are only going to want to sign one. They'll sign one with your organization because that's who they want to work with and they don't want anybody else competing for that slot. Some principals are going to sign five, in which case your application may be one of several and you'll have to see how you compete.

Any questions on that? This is old news for most of you.

So this is just some more language talking to you about what I just said. One thing that's really important, right, the whole point of this, in many ways, is to really improve the collaboration between you as the lead CBO partner and the school.

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And we strongly encourage you in these early conversations with the school to really talk about how your program is going to integrate, not just with the after-school program but the whole school day.

If you're talking about social and emotional learning components for, you know, second graders and third graders, it would be great to know that not only is it happening in the after-school program but during the instructional day teachers are reinforcing that content.

Again, in a community school environment you might want to list that lead CBO partner as one of the folks that's helping you strengthen that message throughout the school day.

Obviously, the idea behind the School Partnership Agreement is also to make sure there's an agreement about who is responsible for what, who has rules and responsibilities. The school is there to make sure you have space, access to

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students, access to staff. The primary objective of the program is, of course, up to you and your organization.

So I think actually Tracy, I'm handing off to you? All right, come on up, please.

MS. WHITE: Hi. Just before

Tracy comes, I want to let you know that

your questions, please, we welcome them.

Just please save your questions, make note

of them for after the presentation, okay,

and we'll get right to them once we're

done with our presentations.

Again, a warm welcome for Tracy Caldron.

MS. CALDRON: Thank you. Welcome everybody. I'm really excited to be here this morning.

Can you hear me? Is the mic working?

So yeah, I'd like to welcome you and I'm really excited to be here. I see a lot of friendly faces in the audience so that's helping.

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Before I get started, I wanted to acknowledge my directors, Paddy Waters,
Keith Hicks, Roseanna Hersch, Anita Bailey and Regina Dillard Ladder. We're all here to answer and support you during this process and we look forward to working with you.

Let's review our COMPASS mission before we get started. So our mission is to help young people build knowledge, skills and self-confidence and nurture aspirations through a variety of high-quality enrichment opportunities. And in partnership with community-based organizations through funding, capacity building, evaluation and advocacy, COMPASS strives to enhance and expand a sustainable network of out-of-school time programs for youth and families and communities.

DYCD is seeking qualified organizations to operate year-round COMPASS Elementary -- sorry. How's that?

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nonprofit organizations to operate year-round programs, COMPASS Elementary and Middle School, serving students in grades K through 5 and 6 through 8, both in public and Charter schools.

An overview of our elementary programs: Promote youth -- positive youth development, encourage youth leadership, foster social and emotional skills, and support the expansion of knowledge and mastery of skills.

Our middle school programs or SONYC: Encourage youth to experience the joy of learning outside the classroom while fostering social, emotional and cognitive skills with activity options that allow for youth choice and voice.

Our goals: Foster academic, social and emotional competencies and physical well-being in a safe and nurturing environment.

Two: Provide opportunities for youth to explore their interests and creativity.

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Three: Build skills that support academic achievement and raise participant expectations and confidence.

Four: Cultivate youth leadership and community engagement.

And lastly, engage parents and other caretakers to support the other goals.

Okay. Our expectations for our programs. We expect our organizations to have at least three years successful experience within the last five years providing comprehensive services, after-school services.

Our philosophy believes in asset-based approaches, focus on positive youth development, social and emotional learning and youth leadership, and family engagement.

We expect a minimum of three community partnerships with external organizations that can provide additional services. We -- partnerships with units within your own organizations do not

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count. So we want these to be external support services.

Enhance program for the benefit of participants and help foster effective provider networks at a local level. So, again, there's a minimum of three of the community partnerships.

Target population. Serve
students in grades K through 5 and 6
through 8 for Middle School SONYC
programs. Recruit and tailor programs
designed to meet the needs of a wide range
of participants including English language
learners, students with special needs,
children in foster care and children
living in homeless shelters, in addition
to students identifying as lesbian, gay,
bisexual, transgender, queer and
questioning.

Readiness to begin operations.

We expect you to provide and be ready to provide required summer and school year program components throughout the contract period and establish start dates with

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cleared staff.

This is really important. We have worked really hard to get the RFP ready and are really, really advanced, I'm told, unlike any other before. So we've been working really, really hard because we recognize the need to do this early on. And so we have high expectations that programs are going to start on time, ready, with staffing cleared and all the startup that's required to get programs up and running once we declare the start date.

Okay. Let's look at the required hours now for the programs.

For Elementary, the service days are Monday through Friday, three hours per day, with total operating hours for the year 1,020. And that breaks down to 540 hours during the school year, that's 15 hours per week times 36 weeks; 130 hours for holiday programs, so that's 10 hours a day for 13 separate holidays; 350 hours during the summer, so 50 hours

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during seven weeks during the summer time.

Required program components for both school year and summer include homework help, academic support, two hours per week of STEM or literacy enrichment activities scheduled for at least one semester at a time.

So we're expecting that, you know, you do activities for a length of time, at least a semester, so you can really get into the topic matter and kids can really explore that subject.

Ninety minutes of physical activity per week per participant with a target enrollment of kindergarten through fifth grade students.

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Activities, again, academic support,
enrichment, physical activity. And those
categories include a wide range of
activities. Academic support could be
homework help, small group tutoring, book
clubs. Enrichment would be STEM or
literacy. And physical activity:

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Organized supports, dance, martial arts.

And instructed by knowledgeable staff in those areas.

In Elementary Optional Content
Areas: Art focus, enrichment activities,
leadership activities, healthy living.

So we encourage healthy living that -- lesson plans that teach relationship between physical activity and good nutrition, healthy lifestyles.

Leadership activities should inspire students to take responsibility and lead and feel empowered to make change.

And art focus activities, of course, anything in the creative arts; performing theatre. I love dance, any time I can see dance, I love.

Middle School. So the required hours for Middle School SONYC: Monday through Friday, 15 hours per week, 9 hours must be structured and operate at least 1.5 hours a day for 36 weeks, September through June.

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Total hours of 648, that splits up to 540 hours during the school hours and 108 during the summer months.

A minimum of 324 structured hours for 36 weeks, and then the summer hours, again, 108 hours of programming over a minimum of four weeks.

The required components. The school year schedule must include a minimum of two hours per week of structured literacy or STEM, two hours of structured leadership development, structured academic support and physical or healthy living activities.

The summer schedule must include at least two hours per week either of STEM or literacy, at least two hours of leadership development and physical or healthy living activities.

And this slide just, again, reiterates the required content areas:

Academic support, enrichment, physical activity/healthy living and leadership development.

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Okay, staffing. So we expect all of our staff to be familiar with the neighborhood, have the necessary language skills to effectively communicate and serve non-English speaking participants, be sensitive to diverse cultures, traditions, lifestyles, family structures, sexual orientation and gender identities. Possess linguistic and communication skills to be able to reach out and interact with newcomers to the City in positive ways to respond effectively to their needs.

There are staffing requirements.

As you know, we require a 1 to 10 for

Elementary programs and 1 to 15 for Middle

School or SONYC programs.

Key program staff areas include the program director, who should have at least a Bachelor's with a minimum of three years of experience in a supervisory position or capacity, and be responsible for program operations and supervision.

An education specialist provides

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on-site observations, evaluates activities weekly while providing feedback, reviews lesson plans and ensures activities are designed with learning goals or skill gains, helps to adapt curriculum to fit program goals.

Activity specialist leads program activities in the areas that require specific expertise and experience such as STEM, literacy, dance, art or organized sports.

Group leaders are responsible for supervising or leading group activities and creating and implementing activities.

Programs with 90 or more

participants, the program director must be

full-time, at least 35 hours per week.

The position of education specialist may

be part-time on the condition that he or

she provides at least nine hours of

support per week to each program for a

maximum of three programs.

Programs with fewer than 90 participants, the program director may be

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part-time, less than 35 hours per week, but he or she must be present during all program operational hours for a minimum of five days per week.

The program director, whether full-time or part-time, cannot be the education specialist.

Performance targets. Full enrollment is expected during the school year by mid-October in each contract year and maintain 100 percent enrollment throughout the school year period for the duration of the contract.

For elementary, we expect an -- at least an 80 percent rate of participation and for COMPASS. Middle school, at least 75 percent ROP for the structured hours, the 324 structured hours.

So after the release of the RFP, we recognized that there needed to be some addendum items and so we're listing them here individually for each of the RFPs.

So for Elementary we're adding

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P.S. 91K in Brooklyn to the eligible school list and we are including the following statement: Required activities and weekly hours for summer program include two hours of STEM or literacy, academic support, 90 minutes of physical activity per participant.

For Middle School the addendum items are: Removing the School For Human Rights from the eligibility list for middle schools. We're going to add off-site activity language which is allowed for middle school. And add the word "structured" to language for summer required activities. So all activities for summer, the structured activities will be added. The word "structured" activities will be added.

In addition for Middle School,
the following statement will be added:
Programs are expected to operate a minimum
of 15 hours a week, of which a minimum of
9 hours are structured and programs are
offered for a minimum of 1.5 hours each

29 1 Proceedings 2 weekday. So now we're going to go over the 3 4 post-award requirements. 5 MS. WHITE: Thank you, Tracy. 6 Okay. 7 So just some additional items before we get into the question/answer 8 9 segment. 10 For post-award requirements, there is a Public Assistance Hiring 11 12 Commitment Rider which you should have 13 received a handout when you came in. The Public Assistance Hiring 14 Commitment is an initiative administered 15 16 by the Human Resources Administration, 17 HRA, through its Business Link Program. 18 The FAQ regarding this requirement has been provided to you once you signed in. 19 Notice for Proposer Subcontractor 20 21 Compliance. Please be advised that there is a requirement to utilized Payee 22 23 Informational Portal, PIP, to identify all 24 subcontractors and to enter all 25 subcontractor payment information and

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other related information during the contract term.

Responsibility determination. In the post-award -- there is a post-award phase once the awards are made. We want to draw your attention to some of those requirements in the post-award phase:

Responsibility determination.

Please be advised that it is a requirement for all contractors to be determined responsible in the post-award phase; therefore, please make sure your Charities filings are current and ensure that any outstanding liens or adverse information has been resolved. Unresolved issues often cause significant delays -- tell your neighbor, significant delays -- in this post-award process. So please make sure that you address those items.

New York City Liability Insurance
Requirement. Commercial General
Liability; Motor Vehicle Liability, if
applicable; Workers' Compensation; an
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the City of New York together with its officials and employees as an additional insured.

DYCD will not be able to proceed with processing any awarded contract until it has proof of the necessary insurance coverage.

MWBE participation. Again, DYCD encourages MWBE participation and recommends the utilization of certified MWBEs.

And lastly, the transcript, presentation and attendance rosters will be posted to DYCD's website for your viewing. So this lovely PowerPoint that you see before you, you will be able to access that along with the transcript after it is posted to our website.

And now, we begin the question and answer session. And before we do that, I just want to let you know that you can come up and ask your questions.

You're going to come up here to this microphone and ask your questions. You

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may ask as many questions as you would like; however, every time you come to the microphone, make sure you state your name and your organization, and where applicable, as much you can, please let us know where in the RFP you're asking. And we have two RFPs, so if it's specific to one of them, please make sure you highlight that for our panel as well.

So our panel is ready and we ask you now, don't be shy come up and ask your questions. The presentation is not over, this is the question session and then I'll close out and officially let you know when it's been concluded.

MS. LINDBERG: Thank you. My name is Jane Lindberg, I'm with Boys and Girls Harbor and I have two questions.

One, I note that the QA responses must be submitted by July 2nd. I'm -- I believe the proposals are due on July 10th. That seems to me a short period of time by which one can find out if there are any results from the Q and A.

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Can someone explain if I have the dates wrong or what your reasoning is?

MS. CANTELMI: Hi. So we typically give one week prior to the due date of the RFP. If we do get a question that we feel it's a significant change to the RFP, we will look to do an addendum to extend the due day.

MS. LINDBERG: Thank you.

And my second question is to you, Mr. Hickey. You said that a school may sign as many partnership agreements as it pleases, it may decide it only wishes to sign one.

So assuming that the school signs only one for ABC CBO, but ABC CBO doesn't get their proposal, is not accepted, what happens to the kids? Do they lose out on the after-school program?

MS. HASKELL: If I understand your question correctly. If a school only receives one proposal that meets the minimum qualification of having a School Partnership Agreement and for some reason

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that proposal is not found viable, would the school go without services? The answer is no.

We have, in rare circumstances, run into that situation and we will make -- take every measure to make sure that there's no disruption in services. For example, one example might be -- I'm not making a decision on this right now -- but we could reissue an RFP for that site and we could extend the current services for longer. We have mechanisms to make sure that young people don't go without services.

MS. LINDBERG: That's great news. Thank you.

MR. BROWN: Good morning. Dwayne Brown St. Nick's Alliance.

This question is a general COMPASS question. I want to know how DYCD and the Department of Education is working together to facilitate a more open competition with this process?

I've seen -- and I've been around

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for a while, and a lot of principals sometimes they want another provider but not necessarily have the information or they don't respond to e-mails in the timely manner. So how are we doing -- what mechanisms are in place to make sure this competition is an open competition and maybe help better facilitate that process?

MS. CALDRON: Okay. Well we've done some sessions with principals, we've done a webinar to inform principals about the process, we just did that last week. We've e-mailed them information about the School Partnership Agreements and given them guidance on interviewing CBOs. We've encouraged them to sign with as many good-fit partners as possible. And we've informed them, also, the possibility of just, you know, what happened if you just sign one partnership, agreement which, you know, if it -- if it's not deemed viable, what that would mean.

And so we've encouraged them --

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they have to interview every one and we have encouraged them to sign with as many good-fit partners. So we've done some work on our end as well.

MR. BROWN: I do have one suggestion, as well, maybe borough meetings with principals and CBOs that are, you know, concentrated in a certain borough that they can really get a chance to meet the principals.

MR. HICKEY: Dwayne, I think that's a really compelling suggestion.

I also, just from the DOE's perspective, we do have, again, for community schools, that lead nonprofit partner that, I think, can help facilitate in cases where you're not getting prompt response from the principal.

In general, you can't escalate through our team with the Department of Education and we'll make sure you get a response. Principals have five firehoses aimed at them and we understand that they are under a lot of time pressure, but we

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understand that you want to make this program as competitive as possible and all have access to the principals and schools you're engaging.

Susan is just prompting me. And this is a good process if you have difficulty accessing a school, you can e-mail RFP questions through the RFP and DYCD will forward them to us so we can escalate them appropriately.

MR. BROWN: Thank you.

MS. JONES: Hi, good morning.

Dominique Jones from Boys and Girls Club

of Harlem.

Can I ask several questions or should I go back in the line 'cause I have several? Okay, I'll roll through them.

This is just kind of an origin question. How are schools selected? What is the criteria? I believe some of them have been renewed, but it would be important to understand kind of what the criteria was for selection of those schools.

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MR. HICKEY: We're going to take it one at a time here, right?

MS. CALDRON: Well, the schools on the eligible school list are from the 2011 RFP. So those are the same schools, they have not been changed. So we want continuity of services and so that's why we kept the list the same.

MS. JONES: So the origin question of what was the criteria for selecting those schools initially, particularly for new folks that are applying?

MR. FRENZEL-BERRA: Just -- I can't recount all the factors, but we considered multiple factors in identifying the schools in certain locations and certain parts of the city.

MS. JONES: Okay. Well that's helpful.

Then I guess the second question is: You mention that community schools are in some of the schools. Are they all community schools or are they -- are all

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the schools on the list community schools that would actually have this type of community school sponsor?

MS. HASKELL: No.

MS. JONES: And then are community school sponsors, are they allow to apply as after-school providers as well?

MS. HASKELL: Yes.

MS. JONES: Okay. Next question.

Are there a maximum number of students per site or is this governed by OCFS SAC requirements? 'Cause they set the ceiling, so is there -- do you have any -- is there a cap on the dollar? Is there a cap on the number of students?

MS. HASKELL: We did not note a cap per site. You would be restricted by SAC requirements.

And I think it's worth noting that there is not additional funding for additional seats or schools in this RFP. It really is an RFP for continuity of services.

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MS. JONES: So you would need to know the number of students currently allocated for that program?

MS. HASKELL: We're not being rigid about the amount per school, but I think as a proposer, it's important context that we don't have funding to add seats to all of the proposed schools.

MS. CANTELMI: And I also want to note as part of the discussions that you're all having with the principals, really talk to them about how many slots are needed for the school, but be mindful that DYCD does have the right to award less than what you're asking for.

MS. JONES: So then the question is, if you are able to award an amount and those slots are underutilized, is it possible for sites that have co-located schools for those children to be eligible to enter into that particular COMPASS site?

MS. HASKELL: That's not prohibited.

41 1 Proceedings 2 MS. JONES: That's it. MS. WATTS: Hi. My name is 3 Rachel Watts, I'm from Arts Connection. 4 5 My -- I have a similar question 'cause one of questions I had was where is 6 7 the list of eligible schools? I wasn't sure where to find that. 8 9 And part of that, hearing the 10 answer about eligible schools being schools previously. Is this about 11 12 principals wanting to change their vendor 13 because they -- it sounds now like they 14 already have programming and so it's 15 really about one either reapplying with the current or changing their vendor? 16 17 MR. FRENZEL-BERRA: The school 18 list is Attachment C in the RFP. 19 MS. WATTS: So my question about that is if they already have DYCD 20 21 programming, this is really about changing 22 the vendor? 23 MS. CANTELMI: It's not. It's 24 about making sure that we have a contract 25 in place to continue services for the

42 1 Proceedings 2 students. The principals, it's up to them. 3 They are going to interview whoever 4 5 reaches out to them, but it's not about the vendor. 6 7 MS. WATTS: Okay. Addendum C? 8 Attachment. 9 Then in terms of year round, is 10 it required to have summer programming? 11 MS. CALDRON: Yes. 12 MS. WATTS: Okay. 13 Does the educational specialist have to be a certified teacher? 14 15 MS. CALDRON: No. MS. WATTS: Okay. That's it. 16 17 Thank you. 18 MR. SCHAFFER: Good morning, 19 everyone. My name is Matt Schaffer from 20 City Year New York. 21 First, I want to say thank you for releasing the RFP over a year before 22 23 the program beginning. I think -- we 24 appreciate it, and I think everyone in the 25 room does also. So thank you very much.

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Just two questions really quickly. My understanding is that the RFPs have a maximum amount, a limit for how much can be subcontractor contracted, and we're asking respectfully that you consider relaxing that requirement.

And I'll just motivate it a little bit in the case of COMPASS, City Year is unable to provide summer programming, we're an Americorps program, Americorps serve for about ten months, we can't provide summer programming.

There are also limits to how much holiday programming we can provide. If you add up the hours of holiday programming and the summer, it exceeds the 35 percent which is the maximum for subcontracting. So we're asking that you consider relaxing that. So it was a request more than a question, but I just want to throw it out there.

And then a question is in terms of the COMPASS programming, is it a necessary condition that a program serves

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all grades K through 5 or can a program serve a subset of those grades?

MS. CALDRON: We'd like for all grades to be serviced in the school. If there's a particular reason why a grade can't be serviced or serviced in another capacity, we would consider it. But it's our expectation that all grades in the school are serviced.

MR. SCHAFFER: And then just one more note. That information ties back into the first question.

So City Year also serves third through fifth grade primarily, but we work with a number of other CBO partners who serve the younger grades. So we're interested in a collective impact model where a number of CBOs can come together and provide a proposal that's responsive and serves all the students, but to do that we would need to have fair revenue sharing, we'd need for that 30 percent limit to be raised. Thank you.

MS. TURULA: Good morning. My

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name is Anna, I'm with North Brooklyn

Development Corporation. I have question

regarding the number of participants.

participants, we're required to have an educational specialist. Let's say we apply for 87 seats and we use our 20 percent over enrollment, which will bring us up to almost 100 students, are we still required to have educational specialist even though our 100 percent is 87?

MS. CALDRON: So an ed specialist is required no matter how many slots you have. Is that your question whether or not?

MS. TURULA: Let's say we apply for 87 seats, right. This is our contract for 87, so basically under 90 seats. We are not required to have educational specialist when the program serves above 90. And my question is --

MS. CALDRON: Okay so page 19, that's where we go over the requirements

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for the ed specialist and the program director. So it's required for 90 slots or less than 90 slots or higher. So you have to have an educational specialist.

MS. TURULA: I have to have. Okay.

And my second question,
partnership agreement. When we signed
them with the principals, the principal
agrees to secure space for our program for
the school year program and summer camp
program.

We are dealing with, I would say, effort from the principal not welcoming the program for the summer camp. How does that work? Should we demand from the principals to secure space in our neighborhood in a different school or at her school? How does that work? Because we do sign partnership agreement and memorandum of understanding where they sign — the principal sign that they come into secure space for us and then we always struggle to find room for the

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summer camp. Are they obligated to --

MS. CALDRON: Yeah, I mean,

summer -- there are challenges during the summer because that's when the DOE does a lot of construction and major projects in the school building.

My staff works really hard during the summertime to support CBOs with either relocations or requiring the right amount of space within the building.

So if we deem that there's too much going on in the school and it's just not enough space for a program, then we'll help to find you a suitable location that's close.

MS. TURULA: Okay, thank you.

MS. GABHART: Hi. Lindsay

Gabhart, Sheltering Arms. We have four of your schools. Our current contract ends in 2019, but several others end in 2020.

Do we need to write for all of them?

MS. CALDRON: No, these are only for the schools that are eligible schools that are in the RFP Attachment C. So

48 1 Proceedings 2 we're only writing -- this RFP is only for those schools, and the contract period was 3 from 2011 which is extended through 4 5 another ten months and so it's only for those schools. 6 7 MS. GABHART: Okay. Thank you. 8 MR. BROWN: Dwayne Brown, 9 St. Nick's Alliance. 10 Again, in the spirit of competition, are the contractors that are 11 12 in Charter schools, are they eligible to 13 apply for their own contract? So instead 14 of getting an outside provider, they would --15 MS. CALDRON: If they are an 16 17 actual -- file 501(c) nonprofit, yes, they 18 can. 19 MR. CARDONA: Good morning, 20 everybody. Renard Cardona, Aspira of New 21 York. 22 For clarity, what's the cost per 23 child for the summer program for COMPASS? MS. CALDRON: We haven't broken 24

it down, it's a year-round fee. I know in

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49 1 Proceedings 2 the past we've determined an amount for the summer. But we have an actual cost 3 for the entire year. 5 MR. CARDONA: So when we do the 6 budget, we do the same cost during the 7 school year? 8 MS. CALDRON: Yeah, you allocate 9 within your summer and school year in that 10 amount of money. MR. CARDONA: In that same --11 12 MS. CALDRON: It's the same 13 budget. 14 MR. CARDONA: Another question. 15 As far as community partners, if you have subcontractors, they would they also be 16 17 considered as a community partner or do 18 they have to be partners that are 19 providing services free of charge? 20 MS. CALDRON: Yes, you can have a 21 subcontractor. 22 MR. CARDONA: And that could be 23 considered a community partner? 24 MS. CALDRON: Yes. 25 MR. CARDONA: Thank you.

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MR. NOEL: Good morning. Riga
Noel, Sports & Arts in Schools Foundation.

I just want to assume that the contracts that end in 2020 will be released one year from now? The RFP, I just want to make that assumption.

MS. CALDRON: We don't know right now.

MR. NOEL: Thank you.

MS. GORDAN: Hi, how are you? Leonie Gordan with Boys and Girls Harbor.

I have a question. As community-based organizations that provide after-school programming within our community center, how do we comport with working with those school partners if we do have a center where students come to for after-school programming headquartered somewhere else? How does that relate to the application process? That means we're not physically in that building, but they are going to be located within but we're partnered with the schools?

MS. CALDRON: So the center-based

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RFP is coming out soon. This is just for the schools, school-based programs right now. But we will have a center-based RFP coming out.

MS. GORDAN: Thank you.

MS. JONES: One last question around the cost sharing. We talked about -- our colleague from City Year talked about cost sharing.

Would that -- if you're partnered with someone, would that be considered -- could you co-apply 'cause we all have individual queues within HHS Accelerator?

Or would we have to be considered a subcontractor as a part of a cost-sharing agreement?

MS. CANTELMI: So I'm sorry, are you pre-qualified with your own?

MS. JONES: We're pre-qualified with our own. Another organization is pre-qualified, but they've come in and they have decided they want a partnership. There would have to be one that serves in a --

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MS. CANTELMI: So it's one organization applying to the proposal.

What you can do is if you're looking to subcontract, as long as you're within that current amount, then you could submit that with your proposal as well.

MS. JONES: Thank you.

MS. WHITE: I tried the dramatic pause just to make sure there wasn't anyone else with any questions.

Okay, last chance. And please note that once I say the conference is concluded, the panel is no longer available for questions. Okay.

All right. With that said, the question and answer session has been concluded. And we want to remind you that the due date and time for these RFPs is July 10th, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the HHS Accelerator System.

Please note that any addenda that would be issued for any of these RFPs, any of these two RFPs, will be issued via the HHS Accelerator System so make sure that

Proceedings any information you submit, such as your e-mail address, when you're pre-qualified, make sure it's correct and exact so you can receive the notifications. And that, ladies and gentlemen, concludes our pre-proposal conference. Thank you so much. Have a great rest of the day. (Time noted: 11:03 a.m.) 

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