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To: Bureau of Developmental Disability Services Providers

From: Nicole Norvell, Director, Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services

Re: Request for Funds Date: March 27, 2015

The Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services' (DDRS) Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services (BDDS) is pleased to announce the release of a Request for Funds (RFF) opportunity to award grant funds for sheltered workshop transition services.

These funds are available for eligible BDDS waiver providers to support the transformation of their organizational structures and service delivery models from a facility-based to a community-based service delivery model with a focus on community-based employment. The intended outcome, during the contracted period, is that a targeted number of adults with intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) obtain individual integrated community-based employment for at least minimum wage or engage in self-employment with the same income level expectation.

In general, respondents to this RFF will propose to transform their governance, organizational structure, business/fiscal models, and programmatic practices to increase the delivery of integrated employment services and reduce the use of facility-based services while creating roadmaps for other BDDS providers to do the same.

A pre-proposal conference is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Indiana Government Center South 402 West Washington Street Indianapolis, IN 46204 Conference Room W451. Proposals are due on May 7, 2015 with the target award date of June 24, 2015

A list of eligibility requirements and all RFF documents can be found on the <u>BDDS Request for</u> Funds webpage.

All inquiries related to the RFF are to be submitted electronically to Pashun Smith at <a href="mailto:pashun.smith@fssa.in.gov">pashun.smith@fssa.in.gov</a> and are not to be directed to any other staff member of FSSA.

