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## **Evaluation and Learning Partner & Peer Research and Peer Network for the PRU / AP Mentoring Programme**

Violence Reduction Unit

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Violence Reduction Unit

169 Union Street

LONDON

SE1 0LL

#### **Email**

[vruprocurement@london.gov.uk](mailto:vruprocurement@london.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI - London

### **Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.london.gov.uk/programmes-strategies/communities-and-social-justice/londons-violence-reduction-unit>

### **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/5643CQY423](http://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/5643CQY423)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

### **I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Evaluation and Learning Partner & Peer Research and Peer Network for the PRU / AP Mentoring Programme

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Requirement:

As an evidence-based organisation, the VRU uses research and analysis to help inform our decisions and work. This involves conducting or commissioning research and evaluation to help understand how commissioned services are working, and whether services are delivering the results we expect.

The VRU are seeking one or multiple partners to deliver Lot 1: Evaluation and Learning Partner and Lot 2: Peer Research and Pilot Young People Peer Network for the VRU PRU / AP Mentoring Programme. Prospective providers may bid for only one Lot, or both.

Summary of Lots:

- Lot 1: Evaluation and Learning Partner- Evaluating the reach and impact of the PRU/ AP Mentoring Programme, what works, sharing good practice and fostering collaboration.
- Lot 2: Peer Research and Pilot Young People Peer Network - Training young people as Peer Researchers and supporting them to conduct research with their peers in London PRUs and APs, amplifying the voices of young people in PRUs/APs and testing a peer network model.

If two separate providers are appointed to Lot 1 and Lot 2, they will need to work together to incorporate youth voice within the Lot 1 evaluation process.

## Background:

VRU's Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) / Alternative Provision (AP) Mentoring Programme provides one-to-one support for young people aged 11-18 who have been excluded from secondary school or are at risk of exclusion. The programme is intended to support children and young people who:

- Are studying in PRUs/APs in London
- Are transitioning between PRU/AP and mainstream settings
- Are transitioning from PRU/AP to further education and training (e.g. during their first year of FE college)
- Are at risk of permanent exclusion (if in mainstream school)
- Are in secondary education - aged 11-18 years

The programme can also mentor the families of these children and young people. 2,200 young people in all 32 boroughs at just over 40 settings will receive mentoring support during September 2024-August 2026. We are looking for an Evaluation and Learning Partner and a Peer Research and Pilot Young People Peer Network for the programme.

## How to Apply:

The maximum budget over 21 months is £160,000 excl VAT for Lot 1 and £70,000 excl VAT for Lot 2

Further information can be found in the bidder pack for this tender. You can access and download a copy of the bidder pack from the Delta esourcing portal by following this link [www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/5643CQY423](http://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/5643CQY423)

An information session will be held on 6th Aug at 2-3.30pm via Microsoft Teams. You can sign up to attend via Eventbrite here. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/vru-pru-ap-learning-partner-and-peer-research-information-session-tickets-943464025297?aff=oddtcreator>

Please submit all clarification questions via the Delta esourcing portal. The clarification deadline is 23rd August by 4pm

Please submit your response via the Delta esourcing portal. The submission deadline for this tender is 6th September 2024 at 12pm

## **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £230,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Evaluation and Learning Partner

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Evaluating the reach and impact of the PRU/ AP Mentoring Programme, what works, sharing good practice and fostering collaboration.

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £160,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Peer Research and Pilot Young People Peer Network

Lot No

2

## **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

## **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

## **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Training young people as Peer Researchers and supporting them to conduct research with their peers in London PRUs and APs, amplifying the voices of young people in PRUs/APs and testing a peer network model.

## **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £70,000

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# **Section IV. Procedure**

## **IV.1) Description**

### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

## **IV.2) Administrative information**

### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

6 September 2024

Local time

12:00pm

### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English