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

Violence Reduction Unit

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-047ebd

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Violence Reduction Unit

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Email

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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>

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

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2024/S 000-022415](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1) Information to be changed or added

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

II.1.4

Instead of

Date

6 September 2024

Read

Date

20 September 2024

VII.2) Other additional information

We have extended the dates of this tender.

The clarification deadline is now 6th Sept 2024 by 4pm

The tender submission deadline is now 20th Sept 2024 by 12pm

It's expected the contract will start or be mobilised by mid Jan 2025.

This is to take into account the summer holiday / Christmas holiday periods.

The updated timeline is provided in the clarification log on the Delta portal.