

County Community Safety Investment Fund RFP
Frequently Asked Questions
10/24/2023 Update

Question: *Would a letter from the Board of County Commissioners suffice in demonstrating that the application received is intended to be the single application for the county?*

Answer: Yes, the ODMHSAS would consider a letter from the Board of County Commissioners indicating that the bid is intended to be the single proposal submitted on behalf of the eligible entity in response to the RFP as meeting the bid eligibility requirement.

Question: *I am with a treatment organization that is not ODMHSAS certified or ODMHSAS contracted, but we are CARF accredited. Are we still able to participate?*

Answer: Yes, a county can partner with multiple entities to carry out their proposed plan, but at least one of them has to meet the requirements of being either an ODMHSAS certified or ODMHSAS contracted entity. The others are not required to be. For example, if the county chooses, your agency is able to be a part of the proposal and partner with the county as an entity that is not contracted with or certified by ODMHSAS. However, the county must also include an entity that is contracted or certified with ODMHSAS as part of the plan as well.

Question: *I am not sure about what to include in an application. Are there any resources you would suggest for more information?*

Answer: There are many entities that publish examples of best practices for communities to review and consider. Below are examples of some of those resources:

[Bureau of Justice Assistance](#)

[Children and Family Futures](#)

[Counsel of State Governments](#)

[Crime and Justice Institute](#)

[GAINS Center for Behavioral Health and Justice Transformation](#)

[National Center for State Courts](#)

[National Institute of Corrections](#)

[National Institute on Drug Abuse](#)

[SAMHSA](#)