



## **2008-2009 Choose Life License Plate Initiative**

Miami-Dade County is announcing the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the "FY 2008-2009 Choose Life License Plate Initiative." Through a competitive process, organizations may apply for "annual use fees," distributed to Miami-Dade County by the State of Florida. Miami-Dade County's Office of Grants Coordination, is releasing the RFP to solicit proposals from organizations that are qualified to administer funds generated within Miami-Dade County by the "Choose Life" License Plate, issued by the State of Florida in accordance with Florida Statute subsections 320.08056, 320.08058(29) and 320.08062.

Revenue from the purchase of the "Choose Life" license plate will be awarded to eligible non-profit entities. As defined in Florida Statute subsection 320.08058(29)(b), organizations eligible to receive these funds are non-governmental, not-for-profit agencies within the county, which agencies' services are limited to counseling and meeting the physical needs of pregnant women who are committed to placing their children for adoption. The law further states that Choose Life License Plate funds may not be distributed to any agency that is involved or associated with abortion activities, including counseling for (or referrals to) abortion clinics, providing medical abortion-related procedures, or pro-abortion advertising. In addition, funds may not be awarded to any agency that charges women for services received. Applicants must demonstrate that they meet the eligibility requirements and will comply with allowable use of funds requirements, as described in the RFP, which were established by state statute, and upheld by the Courts.

Approximately \$41,174 is available to support one or more applications funded via this RFP for a 12-month budget period. The RFP will be available for pickup on October 30, 2009, after 12:00 noon, at the Office of Grants Coordination (19<sup>th</sup> Floor), 111 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Miami, Florida 33128.

Applicants are required to attend a mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference, on November 5, 2009, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm, in the 19<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room, at the Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Miami 33128. The deadline for submission of the proposal is no later than Friday, November 13, 2008, before 2:00 pm, at the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 17-202, Miami, Florida 33128. The contact person for the "FY 2008-2009 Choose Life License Plate Initiative," Daniel T. Wall, Director, Office of Grants Coordination, may be reached at (305) 375-4742.

Miami-Dade County is not liable for any cost incurred by the applicant in responding to this RFP, and it reserves the right to modify or amend the deadline schedule for the RFP if it is deemed necessary and is in the best interest of Miami-Dade County. The County also reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive any minor technicalities or irregularities, and to award grants in the best interest of Miami-Dade County. This RFP is subject to the Cone of Silence Ordinance 02-3.

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