



State of New York County of Broome Government Offices

Parks, Recreation, & Youth Services

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Broome County Youth Bureau **To Award \$190,000 for Youth Programs** *Applications Now Available Online*

(BINGHAMTON, NY) –The Broome County Youth Bureau is pleased to announce the anticipated availability of New York State Office of Children & Family Services Youth Development Funds for calendar year 2019. These funds will be made available by Broome County to those serving the needs of youth in Broome County. Typical grants in the past ranged from \$100 to \$20,000. This year the Youth Bureau will be awarding up to \$190,000 in state aid.

This RFP is being released to solicit proposals from qualified non-profit organizations and municipalities interested in establishing or expanding or continuing programs that will provide services and positive youth development opportunities for youth in our community. Programs can target youth ages 0 – 21 years old. You can find the appropriate documents on the website, www.gobroomecounty.com/parks

The Youth Bureau is interested in Programs that address the New York State Touchstones. This year, programs must have measurable outcomes and address areas of need. Priorities will be placed on projects that are transformational and collaborative across the county.

As previously communicated, the State no longer will set aside Youth Development Funds specifically for municipalities. Municipalities who wish to be considered for these funds must respond to the RFP.

All grantees will be required to file various additional reports with the Youth Bureau and be visited by Youth Bureau staff and/or Youth Bureau Advisory Board members.

All applications must be received by the Broome County Youth Bureau no later than 4:00PM on Thursday, September 14, 2018. For more information on these Touchstones please visit their website. http://www.nyskwic.org/about_kwic/lifeareas.cfm

About Broome County Parks, Recreation, & Youth Services

Serving a population of over 200,000 people, Broome County Department of Parks, Recreation, and Youth Services oversees and maintains Nathaniel Cole Park, Dorchester Park, Greenwood Park; Grippen Park and Roundtop Picnic Area, Hawkins Pond Nature Area, Aqua Terra Wilderness Area, and Otsiningo Park. These facilities provide diverse, year-round recreational opportunities. Annually, over 2 million visitors enjoy three beaches, picnic areas and picnic shelters, play structures, a family campground, boating, miles of trails for walking, biking or cross-country skiing, and much more. The department also oversees the Broome County Youth Bureau to fund transformational and impactful youth programs in Broome County.