

Brooklyn Bridge Park Community Dock

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ONE°15 Brooklyn Marina, LLC

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW:

ONE°15 Brooklyn Marina, Brooklyn's gateway to New York Harbor, is a new marina that offers recreational water access to the local Brooklyn community, New Yorkers, and boating enthusiasts from around the globe. Located just south of the Brooklyn Bridge between piers 4 and 5 in the Brooklyn Bridge Park, the Marina features a Sailing Club and School, 100+ berths for vessels up to 200ft and a "Community Dock" that supports community programs offering free and low cost waterfront and boating activities. The marina is open for the summer season between May 1- October 31 of each year weather permitting.

THE COMMUNITY DOCK:

The Community Dock is the largest ADA compliant dock in New York City that offers free and low-cost community boating, as well as a facility where these programs can thrive with a protected basin for safe and sheltered boating experiences.

Two percent of ONE15 marina's prior year's revenues will support these programs. Free and low-cost boating experiences will be coordinated by the marina through its not-for-profit Brooklyn Bridge Park Community Dock Corp., with its community partners which include Brooklyn Bridge Park Corporation and Brooklyn Bridge Park Conservancy. ONE15 Brooklyn Sail Club and School maintains a large fleet of sailboats – both for advanced and beginner sailing -- that offers adults and older youths an opportunity to learn fundamental boating skills in sailboat handling and safety.

The Community Dock has hosted programming for kayaks, small sailing vessels for children and paddle boarding as well as various fund raising events for the local not-for profit community. As the Community Dock will be fully operational for 2021 with direct access to the dock, the Community Dock seeks to expand its partners and grow the range of programming available and to find partners to help develop its mission to provide recreational access to NY Harbor at low or free cost and to educate and foster environmental stewardship of our waterfront.

This **Request For Proposals** seeks proposals from local community not-for-profits and other entities to develop free and/or low cost programs for the 2021 season (May 1- Oct 31) in the following areas:

- Non-motorized water activities, including but not limited to:
 - Small boat sailing programs for children and youths to learn to sail
 - Kayaks and kayaking instruction
 - Paddle boarding
 - Dragon boats

- Educational programs to enhance nautical skills, responsibility and other skills such as teamwork such as, but not limited to:
 - Water skills
 - Ecological and Environmental
 - Maritime and seafaring skills and history
- Other Programs which enhance water access to the New York Harbor

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

Proposals should address the following matters and selection will be based on finding the broadest range of programs which can utilize the Community Dock and adjacent basin to fulfill the programmatic vision of the Community Dock as set out above:

- 1) Description of program offered -- syllabi and other supporting documentation should be included
- 2) Proposed Staffing and description of leaderships' background
- 3) Safety measures used to ensure the well-being of participants
- 4) Description of community/ies served
- 5) Calendar of proposed program – programs need not be active throughout the 2021 season and can be short term. However, multiyear programming is also permitted and plans for development should be included (for those seeking multi-year programming, budgets and programming information should cover each year of the project lifespan)
- 6) Historical track record including past programs offered and locations of these projects – include links to any websites or online accounts
- 7) Annual budget of the NFP and budgetary needs, if any, for programming at the Community Dock – funding is extremely limited at this time so applicants should state their (1) desired and (2) minimum needs to be able to run their programming at the Community Dock. Budgets may not include costs for programming outside the Community Dock and should outline specific uses and timing of when funds will be needed.
- 8) Space needs – for storage, class work, materials, etc.
- 9) Other support need from Community dock (safety vessels, dock support, etc.)
- 10) References
- 11) COVID-19 safety plan
- 12) Contact information

As the Community Dock seeks to offer a range of programs, applications will be assessed to maximize a variety of purposes and communities served. Even if you have submitted in previous years, you must resubmit and be sure to provide your COVID safety plan both for staff and participants.

TIMELINE FOR RFP PROCESS:

- April 16 (EOB): Proposals must be submitted in writing
- April 17-23, 2021: Proposal submitters must be available for follow-up discussion
- April 26: Selection and notifications for 2021 Season will be made

POINT OF CONTACT:

All questions and submissions regarding this RFP should be submitted to communitydock@one15brooklynmarina.com and we will respond within 24 hours.