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### **Corrections seeks proposals for operating DUI treatment program**

The Adult Community Corrections Division of the Montana Department of Corrections has issued a request for proposals on August 3, 2009, for continued operation of the department's felony drunken driving treatment program.

The program has been in operation since February 2002 when it began as a 140-bed treatment center for both male and female offenders, who had been sentenced for their fourth or subsequent felony drunken driving offense.

The original program, located at Warm Springs, was expanded in 2005 to include a second facility in Glendive at the site of the former Eastmont facility. The Glendive center began as a 40-bed treatment facility primarily for female DUI offenders and for male DUI offenders from eastern Montana. Currently 115 offenders participate at the Warm Springs program and 50 offenders are in the Glendive program. The Felony DUI program is a six-month residential intensive treatment program.

Community, Counseling and Correctional Services Inc., a Butte-based nonprofit corporation, has operated the program since its inception under contract with the department. That seven-year contract expires this year.

The department is requesting interested bidders to submit their proposals by Oct. 2, 2009, with a contract award planned for December.

The request for proposals and related information can be found on the department's Web site at <http://cor/mt.gov> under "Issues."

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