To: Youth Serving Agencies

From: JoEllen Bailey, Chair
Dryden Youth Commission
Town of Dryden, Village of Dryden, Village of Freeville

Re: 2008 Funding Applications

Date: July 26, 2007

The Dryden Youth Commission is issuing a Request for Proposals for calendar year 2008. The Commission is committed to offering a wide variety of youth programs in the community to complement and balance the services offered by the school and other community organizations. To the maximum extent possible, programs should have clear goals and should involve young people in planning, implementing and evaluating the programs offered.

Priority in 2008 will go to:

- Programs that address one or more of the needs identified in the attached 2006 Dryden Youth Needs and Trends.

- Community based programs provided during non-school hours that encourage healthy personal development and promote community involvement for middle-school youth.

- Programs that increase youth employment opportunities and/or build employment skills with a focus on youth who are 14-18 years of age and are first time job seekers.

Completed applications are due by September 4. Please send 8 copies of your application to Kris Bennett, Tompkins County Youth Services Dept., 320 W. State St., Ithaca, NY 14850. If you have questions please contact JoEllen Bailey (844-3569) or Kris Bennett (274-5310). If you would like the enclosed application, budget and needs assessment emailed to you, please contact Kris Bennett at kmbennett@tompkins-co.org