DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS FOR
A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT

Agency:	Child and Family Services Agency
Caption:	Court-Ordered Monitoring of LaShawn A. v. Bowser Final Order and Implementation Exit Plan
Contractor:	Center for the Study of Social Policy
Contract No.:	DCRL-2017-C-0001

FINDINGS

1. **AUTHORIZATION:**

D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04 and 27 DCMR § 1700.2

2. **MINIMUM NEED:**

The Government of the District of Columbia, Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA) has a continual need for the court appointed monitor to provide ongoing court-ordered monitoring of the LaShawn A. v. Bowser Implementation and Exit Plan. As these services are continually needed by the District, the time frame for performance of the necessary Court-Ordered services shall be October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

3. **ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

$660,000.00

4. **FACTORS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:**

On February 27, 2007, the US District for the District of Columbia approved an Amended Implementation Plan (AIP) that would guide the reform effort through June 2009. In July 2008, Children Rights filed a motion for a finding of contempt for the District failure in many key areas of reform. In December of 2010, after the court reviewed proposals from the District and Children's Rights, the court ordered the adoption of the Implementation and Exit Plan (IEP). The IEP sets forth the outcomes CFSA must maintain and achieve. It also requires the Court-appointed Monitor to produce regular monitoring reports. As of December 2013, CFSA had achieved a substantial percentage of the standards as delineated the IEP.

The proposed Contractor was appointed as the monitor by the court on November 18, 1993 and remains the only entity capable of meeting the District's minimum need during the proposed period of performance with no mobilization time. Secondly, the proposed Contractor is currently contracted with the District of Columbia for this service and has demonstrated the

necessary experience, capabilities, and financial soundness over the last few years which are necessary to provide said services.

Failure to meet the District's minimum need may result in the clinical disruptions and create undue strain for the children and youth served, resulting in the District violating the guidelines of the LaShawn A. v. Bowser Implementation and Exit Plan standing court orders.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

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Date

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Raymond Davidson
Director
Child and Family Services Agency

6. CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 1304 and that no response was received.

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Date

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Tara Sigamoni
Agency Chief Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive bidding process under Section 402 of the Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04). I further find that the contractor listed above is the only available sources that can meet the District's minimum needs. Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

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Date

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Tara Sigamoni
Agency Chief Contracting Officer