

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Child and Family Services Agency



CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATION

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
for
SINGLE AVAILABLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Agency: Child and Family Services Agency
Caption: Court-Ordered Monitoring of LaShawn A. v. Gray
Implementation and Exit Plan
Contractor: Center for the Study of Social Policy (CSSP)
Contract No.: DCRL-2013-C-0014

FINDINGS

1. **AUTHORIZATION:**

D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04 and 27 DCMR § 1702

2. **MINIMUM NEED:**

The Government of the District of Columbia, Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA), has the need for a contractor to provide Court-Ordered Monitoring of LaShawn A. v. Gray Amended 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, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

3. **ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

\$546,099.00

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.

CSSP was appointed as the court monitor by U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia in 1992, and is the only entity capable of meeting the District's minimum need

during the proposed period of performance with no mobilization time and has the necessary experience, and has demonstrated sufficient 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 youth serviced; possibly cause the District to violate the guidelines of the *LaShawn A. v. Gray* Amended Implementation and Exit Plan; and possibly cause the District to violate standing Court Orders restricting the placement of the youth serviced.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

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

Date

Brenda Donald
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.

Date

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 § 2-354.02). 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.

Date

Tara Sigamoni
Agency Chief Contracting Officer

