

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
NON-COMPETITIVE SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

CONTRACT NO: DCJZ-2016-H-0033

CAPTION: Family Unification Homes (Awaiting Placement)

PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Center City Corporation

PROGRAM AGENCY: Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304, 1700 and 1701

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The District of Columbia (District), Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP), on behalf of the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) has the need to place youth who have been identified as having varying degrees of emotional, behavioral and psychosocial needs to be in awaiting placement family facilities while pending placement in a Family Unification Program.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

Total Estimated Reasonable Price is \$331.00 per day for a total estimated amount not to exceed \$178,740.00 from January 31, 2016 through March 15, 2016.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

The Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) is the District agency responsible for appropriating funds for delivery of services to youth placed in Awaiting Placement facilities while pending placement at Family Unification Programs. These youth have been identified as having varying degrees of emotional, behavioral, and psychosocial needs. The youth are supervised by Court Social Services (CSS), DC Juvenile Probation Division, and have been court ordered into Family Reunification Homes (FRH) residential alternatives to

secure detention. The target population are medium to high-risk non-violent youth, placed for the protection of the youth or community. They include pre-adjudicated and pre-disposition youth ordered by the D.C. Superior/Family Court and youth whose social factors indicate their permanent home is temporarily untenable for his/her return; and/or youth for whom no parent, immediate family member, or extended family member is identified or available. District of Columbia agencies involved in expediting family reunification efforts include: DYRS, Courts and Social Services (CSS), Child and Family Services Administration (CFSA)

The Awaiting Placement model allows DYRS to take a preventative approach, averting youth from further penetrating the juvenile justice system to most restrictive levels and being placed out of their homes. Under this treatment model, the DYRS will be able to fill the “middle” treatment gap prior to placement at a Family Reunification program. Agency needs analysis shows that the DYRS currently houses pre-trial detention youth as well as youth processed through the detention portal that will benefit from this service in the immediate future. The Awaiting Placement Services will not allow identified youth to languish in the community with poorly attuned interventions that underserve them. Implementing this program allows DYRS to immediately fill gaps in services. Lastly, this treatment model will allow the DYRS to align with the extant juvenile justice research on short-term evidence-based intervention modalities with minimal disruption to youth or their families while balancing the public safety mandate.

Effective February 1, 2016 twelve detained (12) youth, court ordered to community based residential programs, will require placement at a Family Reunification Home. DYRS does not have sufficient Family Reunification Homes to comply with youth court orders and therefore has a need to place youth at a secured facility pending placement at a Family Reunification Home to avoid the following:

- DYRS violating youth court.
- The increase in population will potentially cause overcrowding at the YSC, a violation of the Jerry M Decree.

The award of a sole source contract to Center City Corporation is the most expeditious and advantageous procurement process to engage at this time to ensure the youths receive immediate care and the proper rehabilitation and is in the best interest of the District of Columbia and the youth.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

Date

Clinton Lacey
Director
Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services

6. CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER:

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. Also, I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Date

Yvette Henry
Contracting Officer
Office of Contracting and Procurement

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 solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

George A. Schutter III
Chief Procurement Officer
Office of Contracting and Procurement