

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Child and Family Services Agency



CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATION

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS FOR
A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT

CONTRACT NO.: DCRL-2013-R-0093
CAPTION: Therapeutic Group Home
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Grafton School

FINDINGS

1. **AUTHORIZATION:**

D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304 and 1702

2. **MINIMUM NEED:**

The Government of the District of Columbia, Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA), has the following minimum need:

- (a) The Government of the District of Columbia, Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA) has a need to provide Therapeutic Group Home placement and services.
- (b) CFSA has an urgent need for intensive in-house counseling services in order to assist CFSA in maintaining its compliance with the LaShawn A. v. Gray Implementation Plan

3. **ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

\$75,769.32

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

- (a) The Child and Family Services Agency, as part of the ongoing *LaShawn A v. Gray* federal litigation, is required to provide services that will enable CFSA youth to successfully transition out of the child welfare system;

- (b) In view of the CFSA client's previous history with the current provider which as has been approximately three (3) years, their positive relationships with their therapists, medical care providers have helped the client increase self-autonomy, build healthy inter-dependencies, and increase positive behaviors. It is essential to preserve the clinical and medical relationship the clients have had with their current provider so as to ensure continuity of care, thereby promoting the best interest of the child.
- (c) The current vendor provides medical care coordination as well as therapeutic treatment services to children and youth between 12 and 21 years of age, that have a DSM-IV diagnosis as specified in an appropriate psychiatric evaluation recommending placement in a therapeutic group home. Some of the children and youth may also be medically fragile with developmental disabilities, multiple physical handicaps, cognitive impairments and behavioral problems that range from mild to profound in severity.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

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

Date

Brenda Donald
Director

CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER

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

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 either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practice 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

Tara Sigamoni
Agency Chief Contracting Officer