

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-2014-R-0082
CAPTION: Mental Health Services
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Abraxas RTC
PROGRAM AGENCY: Child and Family Services Agency

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 Mental Health Services.
- (b) CFSA has an urgent need for intensive in-house mental health services in order to assist CFSA in maintaining its compliance with the LaShawn A. v. Gray Implementation Plan

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

\$34,000

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 of complex mental health and behavioral issues that includes high risk behaviors, multiple psychiatric

hospitalizations and required 24 hours a day of one to one intervention before his placement at Abraxas. It is essential to preserve the clinical and medical relationship the client have had with their current provider due to the great progress made at Abraxas. The client has been engaged in the therapeutic process; however, he still requires more clinical intervention to fully function in the community and successfully reach permanency.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

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

Date

Director
Brenda Donald

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 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 Procurement 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 Procurement Officer