

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS FOR
A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT**

CONTRACT NO.: DCRL-2016-C-0083
CAPTION: Therapeutic emergency care and treatment
CONTRACTOR: Community Alternatives, VA (Kids in Focus)
PROGRAM AGENCY: Child and Family Services Agency

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

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

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Government of the District of Columbia, Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA), is seeking to continue the utilization of the services of Community Alternatives, VA (Kids in Focus), to provide therapeutic treatment care that includes intensive specialized services.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

\$250,000.00

4. FACTORS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

A clinical assessment of various youth in care has resulted in a need for 24/7 therapeutic care as well as a treatment program. Wards of CFSA have displayed self-injurious behaviors that include head banging against walls, floor and glass windows as well as suffering in school and lack of sleep at night which contribute to the behavioral issues in school that lead up to school suspensions. CFSA identified four facilities that specialize in the services needed for these youth, but they were found not to be appropriate for these wards due to restrictive facilities, age requirements and availability of services.

Therefore Community Alternatives, VA (Kids in Focus) was the best match for the youths' needs as the secure 24/7 therapeutic facility will allow the proper diagnostic for behavioral issues and will provide a full clinical assessment of the child. It is in the best interest of the District to proceed with continuing the services from the above referenced provider, as needed. Failure to secure this care poses an imminent threat to the health, safety and welfare of CFSA's wards.

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. 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.

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