

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

**CONTRACT NO: DCRL-2016-C-0122**

**CAPTION: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING**

**PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: DAVID MANDEL & ASSOCIATES, LLC**

**PROGRAM AGENCY: Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA)**

**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) (the District) is seeking the services of a contractor with unique and extensive experience to provide domestic violence training, consultation and certification services to CFSA staff. The Contractor shall provide specific training to CPS staff, training and support to internal training staff (CWTA), training and consultation to Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) and Training of Trainer Certification Fee.

**3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

**\$35,000.00**

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

The Safe and Together Model is proprietary and trademarked to David Mandel & Associates, LLC. This model is only available through David Mandel & Associates, includes specific unique Practice Tools and is based on unique and extensive experience providing domestic violence training and consultation to child protection agency and courts around the country, and internationally. This has been supported by various methods including prior sole source contracts with other jurisdictions and recently a due diligence review by the Arizona Department of Child Safety that showed nothing comparable in the United States.

5. **CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:**

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

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Date

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Raymond Davidson, 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 the above Contractor is exempt from competition. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

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Date

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Tara Sigamoni  
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 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.

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Date

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Tara Sigamoni  
Chief Procurement Officer