

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

**CONTRACT NO: DCRL-2017-C-0062**

**CAPTION: Individual Therapy**

**PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: PEER BRIDGES, 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 in providing Dyadic Developmental Psychotherapy as a treatment modality for a CFSA client to aid the healing of past trauma and to achieve safety within current relationships for the child; the caregiver develops healthy patterns of relating and communicating with the child.

**3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

**\$13,440.00**

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

Peer Bridge, LLC was chosen to provide therapeutic services for a CFSA client who has spent over two (2) years in a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF) and who is in need of continued specialized treatment services to address issues of complex trauma and attachment. Due to his trauma and attachment issues, it is challenging for him to feel safe and secure with caregivers. The client is due to discharge from the PRTF and will be placed with his pre-adopted parents who have moved from Missouri to DC for the sole purpose of adopting him. Dyadic Developmental Psychotherapy was the primary treatment modality used to help begin the process of healing from trauma and to build a secure relationship with his pre-adoptive parents. His clinical team at the PRTF feel that it is vital to continue this treatment if he is to be successful in the community.

Dr. Cobb from Peer Bridges, LLC was found after contacting the Dyadic Developmental Psychotherapy and the Theraplay Association to get a list of the trained/certified clinicians in the DC Metro area. After the, the child's clinicians at the facility contacted each appropriate candidate to determine who would be the best qualified. The Gil Institute was the preferred provider but they had no availability and Dr. Cobb was trained and worked for Gil Institute in VA. The clinicians at the PRTF felt that Dr. Cobb was the best fit.

Dr. Cobb was chosen due to her training in Dyadic Developmental Psychotherapy and Theraplay. The services are needed as soon as possible to ensure continued progress in the treatment. At this time, the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) does not have any therapists who are trained in Dyadic Developmental Psychotherapy and Theraplay and CFSA does not have an existing provider who is trained in these modalities.

Peer Bridges, LLC who was chosen to provide the Dyadic Developmental Psychotherapy services based on unique and extensive experience providing the highest theraplay training and specialties including Autism, Adoption/Foster, Attachment and Trauma in the Washington Metropolitan Area.

**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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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 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