

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
NON-COMPETITIVE SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

CONTRACT NO: DCJZ-2016-H-0101

CAPTION: Residential Services at the Kenbridge Youth Academy

PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: MBH of Kenbridge, LLC

PROGRAM AGENCY: Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

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

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The District of Columbia (District), Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP) on behalf of the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) requires the services of a contractor to provide “gender specific” Trauma Informed Residential Treatment Services at a secured facility for a youth that has been adjudicated in the District of Columbia’s juvenile justice system and thus committed to the DYRS’s care and custody.

The period of performance shall be nine months from date of award.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

Total Estimated Reasonable Price is \$337.59 a day for a total estimated amount of \$94,525.00.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

The Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) seeks multiple Providers to provide residential treatment services and educational services for male and female youth who have been adjudicated in the District of Columbia’s juvenile justice system and committed to the agency’s care and custody. Each youth’s typical length of stay may range from 30 to 365 days with an average length of stay between six and nine months

A youth who is committed at the DYRS Youth Services Center who was recently expelled from a residential placement treatment center and has been denied admission to all DYRS contracted staff secured facilities that provide "gender specific" trauma informed residential treatment services. The youth has been court involved since the age of nine with an extended history of unsuccessful placements to include foster care, group home, and psychiatric residential treatment facilities. Placement of the youth at the DYRS Youth Center disrupts clinical progress, creates undue strain and regress the youth's psychiatric growth.

The youth that requires placement at the "gender specific" Trauma Informed Residential Treat Center has experienced traumatic events due to abuse and neglect in the home from a young age. The youth's aggressive behavior toward others, self-harming behavior, cognitive deficit, medication noncompliance, engagement in a domestic violence relationship and history of abscondence makes the youth highly vulnerable to exploitation and mistreatment when placed in the community. The youth has a history of sexual promiscuity and assessed to be at extremely high risk for sex trafficking. Additionally, the youth has a full time out of general education IEP and is classified as emotionally disturbed.

The DYRS has identified a need for a residential intervention service that serves as an alternative to the use of judicial commitment dispositional outcomes. The residential treatment center provides evidence-based services for youth ages 12-19 as well as the youth's identified family within the community

The placement of the youth at the MBH of Kenbridge, LLC, Kenbridge Youth Academy (Kenbridge) is imperative for the youth's safety and well-being. The location is Kenbridge, Maryland. The program specializes in providing therapeutic services to youth with mental health instability and lengthy trauma histories. The staff secured facility has a full time psychiatrist on staff, 24 hours, seven (7) days a week nursing care to address psychological and physical needs. The youth meets the criteria for a person with an intellectual disability (IQ below 70), and has significant mental health issues, such as bipolar disorder. The youth requires specialized therapeutic treatment and education to accommodate her emotional disturbance, physical aggression and mental health needs. The agency provides individualized treatment and one to one staff support to meet her educational and therapeutic needs. Kenbridge is the only staff secured agency that has agreed to accept the youth and will to provide the level of intensive treatment required for the youth.

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5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

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

Date

Clinton Lacey
Director
Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services

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

Date

Yvette Henry
Contracting Officer
Office of Contracting and Procurement

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.

Date

George A. Schutter
Chief Procurement Officer
Office of Contracting and Procurement