

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

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Dear Potential Proposer:

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Support and Implement Los Angeles County Home Visitation, Prevention, and Other Related Activities

The Los Angeles County Office of Child Protection (OCP) is issuing this Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit proposals for a contract to provide a consultant or consultant team to help support and implement a multi-year countywide prevention plan to coordinate and expand existing prevention-focused networks to further strengthen families, prevent child maltreatment, and reduce unnecessary burdens on the child welfare system. This plan also includes efforts to implement a universal home visitation system to connect expecting and new parents to critical supports, including parenting information, coaching, and connection to key services. It is envisioned that this consultant or consultant team will 1) facilitate Los Angeles County Home Visitation workgroups that are working to coordinate and expand home visitation efforts across the County, such as the Los Angeles County Home Visiting Collaborative Leadership Council; 2) help to identify additional funding for home visiting supports; 3) provide leadership and expertise to the key prevention initiatives being implemented in Los Angeles County that are all working towards connecting families early on to positive supports to reduce the number of children and families touched by the child welfare system, as well as the length and time for children and families already in the system; 4) lead other prevention efforts the OCP is involved in; and, 5) provide support for other related activities.

The required format for proposals is provided in *Attachment A* – *Format of the Proposal*. The Contractor shall be expected to implement the requirements outlined in *Attachment B* - *Statement of Work (SOW)*. The Contractor shall also be expected to implement the requirements outlined in *Attachment C* - *Sample Contract*. The contract is anticipated to commence on **December 1, 2021**. The contract term will be for a period of one (1) year, for a maximum sum of \$125,000, but may be extended, at the sole discretion of OCP, for an additional two (2) years for a total term of three (3) years.

#### I. Timetable

The timetable for this RFP is as follows:

Release of RFP	. 09/08/2021
Written Questions Due	. 09/15/2021

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Questions and Answers Released	. 09/22/2021
Proposals Due by (5:00 pm Pacific Standard Time)	. 09/29/2021

## II. Minimum Requirements

The proposer must be an business entity that can provide a consultant/consultant team with a history of, or expansive knowledge of, managing and implementing multi-agency prevention initiatives. The proposer must be capable of completing the work outlined in *Attachment B*–SOW within the specified timeframe. The minimum requirements for proposers responding to the RFP are:

- Minimum of 3 years managing prevention programs;
- Minimum of 3 years implementing and managing multi-agency prevention systems-level initiatives;
- Minimum of 15 years of experience in the area of child well-being and/or social services with at least 10 of those years working specifically in the home visiting arena in Los Angeles County; and,
- Minimum of 1 year experience with Family First Prevention Services Act implementation

#### **III. Proposer Questions**

This solicitation does not include a formal question and answer component. Questions the solicitation process may be submitted about by email to blundqvist@ocp.lacounty.gov. All questions must be received by 12:00 pm Pacific Time on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. When submitting questions, please specify which section of the RFP you are referencing and quote the language that prompted the question. County reserves the right to group similar questions when providing answers. Questions may address concerns that the application of minimum requirements, evaluation criteria and/or business requirements would unfairly disadvantage proposers or, due to unclear instructions, may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from proposer.

#### IV. Proposal Submission

Final proposals must be submitted, as directed below, by 5:00 pm Pacific Time on Wednesday, September 29, 2021.

#### ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION:

The final proposal shall be in a PDF format (less than 20 MB in size), emailed, with the subject line indicating:

## "PROPOSAL TO SUPPORT & IMPLEMENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOME VISITATION, PREVENTION, AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES"

The body of the email must include <u>contact information</u> in case there are issues with opening the attachment. Final proposals shall be emailed to:

## **Evelyn Hughes**

#### ehughes@ocp.lacounty.gov

#### FOR ALL PROPOSALS:

It is the sole responsibility of the submitting proposer to ensure that its proposal is received before the submission deadline. Submitting proposers shall bear all risks associated with delays in delivery by any person or entity. Any proposals received after the scheduled closing date and time for receipt of proposals will not be accepted and a letter will be sent to the proposer notifying them that their proposal will not be opened.

A link to the proposer's or another entity's website or referring the evaluator to another section of the packet will not be accepted as a substitute for any of the requested information and may disqualify the proposer. The proposer should not merely attest that its firm or organization will comply with the requirements of this RFP.

#### V. Proposal Evaluation and Criteria

Upon the closing of the time period to submit proposals, a review of the responses will be made by the OCP. The OCP will review the qualification package to determine if the proposer meet the Minimum Requirements listed in this RFP. False, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with a proposal shall be sufficient cause for rejection of the proposal.

All proposers will be notified at the conclusion of the evaluation process.

Upon notification by the OCP, proposers deemed unqualified may request an informal debriefing from OCP regarding their scoring via e-mail within five (5) calendar days of OCP's notification. Send the requests to Barbara Lundqvist at <u>blundqvist@ocp.lacounty.gov</u>.

After the debriefing, the proposer may file a protest in writing to have a secondary review of their qualifications by County staff not involved with the solicitation process, no later than five (5) calendar days following the debriefing. The results of the secondary review will be final, and there will be no additional appeal or protest process.

All proposals shall be firm and final offers and may not be withdrawn for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days following the final proposal submission date.

Proposals that are deemed to meet the minimum requirements, as set forth in Section II, Minimum Requirements, above, will then be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Proposer's Qualifications (50%)
  - Proposer will be evaluated on their experience and capacity as a corporation or other entity to perform the required services based on qualifications and information provided in the proposal.
  - Proposer will be evaluated on the verification of references of the proposal. In addition to the references provided, a review will include the County's Contract

Database and Contractor Alert Reporting Database, if applicable, reflecting past performance history on County or other contracts. This review may result in point deductions up to one hundred percent (100%) of the total points awarded in this evaluation category. Additionally, a review of terminated contracts will be conducted which may result in point deductions.

- Proposer's Approach to Providing Required Services (40%)
  - The proposer will be evaluated on its description of the methodology to be used to meet the County's requirements based on information provided in the proposal.
  - Identify any exceptions to Terms and Conditions of Sample Contract and/or Requirements of the SOW

Proposer will be evaluated on their willingness to accept the Terms and Conditions and the SOW. The County may deduct rating points or disqualify the proposal in its entirety if the exceptions are material enough to deem the proposal non-responsive.

Proposers are further notified that the County may disqualify any proposer with whom the County cannot satisfactorily negotiate a contract.

Cost Proposal Evaluation Criteria (10%)

The maximum number of possible points will be awarded to the lowest cost proposal. All other proposals will be compared to the lowest cost and points awarded accordingly.

However, should a proposer request and be granted a program preference (as described in Attachment A), the cost component points will be determined as follows:

Fifteen percent (15%) of the lowest cost proposed will be calculated, not to exceed \$15,000, and that amount will be deducted from the cost submitted by all proposers who requested and were granted the preference. In no case shall any preference be combined to exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the lowest responsible bid meeting specifications.

## VI. Selection Process

The County reserves the sole right to judge the contents of the proposals submitted pursuant to this RFP and to review, evaluate, and select the successful proposal(s). The evaluation and selection process will begin with closing of the submission period at 5:00 pm Pacific Time on Wednesday, September 29, 2021.

Evaluation of the proposals will be made by an Evaluation Committee selected by the County. The Committee will evaluate the proposals and will use the informed averaging methodology to select a prospective contractor. All proposals will be evaluated based on

the criteria listed above in Section 5, Proposal Evaluation and Criteria. All proposals will be scored and ranked in numerical sequence from high to low.

After a prospective contractor(s) has been selected, the County and the prospective contractor will negotiate a contract for execution by the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors. If a satisfactory contract cannot be negotiated, the County may, at its sole discretion, begin contract negotiations with the next qualified proposer who submitted a proposal, as determined by the County.

The County retains the right to select a proposal other than the proposal receiving the highest number of points if County determines, in its sole discretion, another proposal is the most overall qualified, cost-effective, responsive, responsible and/or in the best interests of the County. After the contract has been executed with the selected proposer, all other proposers will be notified.

#### **VII. Additional Information**

This RFP is a solicitation for proposals only and is not intended as an offer to enter into a contract or as a promise to engage in any formal competitive bidding or negotiations. The County may, at its sole discretion, reject any or all proposals submitted in response to this RFP or may, in its sole discretion, reject all proposals and cancel this RFP in its entirety. This RFP will not be considered failed if only one proposal is received. The County shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the proposer in connection with the preparation and submission of any proposal. The County reserves the right to waive inconsequential disparities in a submitted proposal. The County has the right to amend the RFP by written addendum. The County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in the solicitation document and any authorized written addenda. Such addendum shall be made available to each person or organization which County records indicate has received this RFP. Should such addendum require additional information not previously requested, failure to address the requirements of such addendum may result in the proposal being found non-responsive and not being considered, as determined in the sole discretion of the County. The County is not responsible for and shall not be bound by any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

Responses to this solicitation shall become the exclusive property of the County. The recommended proposer's proposal will become a matter of public record when contract negotiations are complete and OCP receives a letter from the recommended proposer's authorized officer that the negotiated contract is the firm offer of the recommended proposer. All proposals will become a matter of public record when an agreement is executed by the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors. Exceptions to disclosure are those parts or portions of all proposals that are justifiably defined as business or trade secrets, and plainly marked by the proposer as "Trade Secret", "Confidential", or "Proprietary". The County shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such record or any parts thereof, if disclosure is required or permitted under the California Public Records Act or otherwise by law. In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "Confidential", "Trade Secrets", or "Proprietary", proposer agrees to defend and indemnify County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with any action, proceedings, or liability arising in connection with the Public

Records Act request.

Prior to a contract award, all potential contractors must register in the County's WebVen. contains the vendor's business profile and identifies the goods/services the business provides. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County's home page at:

#### http://camisvr.co.la.ca.us/webven/

Unless otherwise specified herein, all contact regarding this RFP or any matter relating thereto must be in writing and emailed as follows:

Barbara Lundqvist blundqvist@ocp.lacounty.gov

If it is discovered that proposer contacted and received information from any County personnel, other than the person specified above, regarding this solicitation, County, in its sole determination, may disqualify their proposal from further consideration.

Thank you for your interest in doing business with the County of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

Minsun Meeker Acting Assistant Executive Director Office of Child Protection Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles

ATTACHMENTS Attachment A – Format of the Proposal Attachment B – Statement of Work Attachment C – Sample Contract Attachment D – Prospective Contractor References Attachment E – Prospective Contractor List of Contracts

Attachment F – Prospective Contractor List of Contracts

# ATTACHMENT A FORMAT OF THE PROPOSAL

Proposals must include all of the sections listed below:

## COVER PAGE

#### "PROPOSAL TO SUPPORT & IMPLEMENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOME VISITATION, PREVENTION, AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES"

#### I. Minimum Requirements

Demonstrate that the minimum requirements are met for this RFP. Provide background information including a resume or curriculum vitae for each required position.

- Minimum of 3 year managing prevention programs;
- Minimum of 3 years implementing and managing multi-agency prevention systems-level initiatives;
- Minimum of 15 years of experience in the area of child well-being and/or social services with at least 10 of those years working specifically in the home visiting arena in Los Angeles County; and,
- Minimum of 1 year experience with Family First Prevention Services Act
  Implementation

#### II. Executive Summary (maximum of 5 pages)

Condense and highlight the contents of the proposal to provide the OCP with a broad understanding of the proposer's qualifications, experience, staffing, and approach.

#### **III. Proposer's Qualifications**

Demonstrate that the proposer's organization has the experience and capability to perform the required services. The following sections must be included:

- A. Proposer's Background and Experience
  - 1. Information provided under Section 1, Minimum Requirements will be included under this section.
  - 2. Provide a summary of relevant background information to demonstrate that the proposer has the capability to perform the required services as a corporation or other entity. Provide specific information about projects of similar scope and scale to the creation of these plans.
  - 3. Provide background information including a resume or curriculum vitae for each key staff member that would be assigned to the project. Describe their roles on the project and the previous education and experience they have that would prepare them for these roles.
  - 4. Also include information on:
    - a. Established relationships with key stakeholders in the prevention and home visitation field (i.e., employment, contractual relationship(s));
    - b. Experience in developing strategies to implement prevention initiatives that have been implemented at a local level;

- c. Solid understanding of strategies to create more effective partnerships among public child welfare agencies, community-based prevention efforts, and informal support systems; and,
- d. Proven experience in facilitation, strategic planning, project management, financial analysis and program funding expansion.
- B. Proposer's References

Please provide three (3) client references for work performed in the past five years that is **similar in scope and in scale**. Information must include: Contact name and business, phone number and email, brief description of services provided, service dates, service value/cost.

It is the proposer's sole responsibility to ensure that the firm's name, and point of contact's name, title and phone number for each reference is accurate. The same references may be listed on both *Attachment D - Prospective Contractor References* and *Attachment E - Prospective Contractor List of Contracts*.

- 1. County may disqualify a proposer as non-responsive and/or non-responsible if:
  - a) References fail to substantiate proposer's description of the services provided; or
  - b) References fail to support that proposer has a continuing pattern of providing capable, productive and skilled personnel; or
  - c) The County is unable to reach the point of contact with reasonable effort. It is the proposer's responsibility to inform the point of contact of normal working hours.
- 2. The proposer must complete and include the following Required Forms:
  - a) Attachment D Prospective Contractor References. Proposer must provide three (3) references where the same or similar scope of services was provided.
  - b) Attachment E Prospective Contractor List of Contracts. The listing must include all Public Entities contracts for the last three (3) years. Use additional sheets if necessary.
  - c) Attachment F Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts. Listing must include contracts terminated within the past three (3) years with a reason for termination.

#### IV. Proposer's Approach to Provide Required Services (maximum of 20 pages)

A. Present a description of the methodology the proposer will use to meet contract work requirements. Describe in detail how the services will be performed, include any

entities/agencies the proposer will partner with to meet the intent of the Statement of Work (Attachment B).

B. Acceptance of/or Exceptions to Terms and Conditions in the Sample Contract, and Requirements of the SOW:

It is the duty of every proposer to thoroughly review the Sample Contract and SOW to ensure compliance with all terms, conditions and requirements. It is the County's expectation that in submitting a proposal the proposers will accept, as stated, the County's terms and conditions in the Sample Contract and the County's requirements in the SOW. However, the proposers are provided the opportunity to take exceptions to the County's terms, conditions, and requirements.

This section of proposer's response must include:

- 1. A statement offering the proposer's acceptance of or exceptions to all terms and conditions listed in *Attachment C Sample Contract*.
- 2. A statement offering the proposer's acceptance of or exceptions to all requirements listed in *Attachment B SOW.*
- 3. For each exception, the proposer shall provide:
  - a) An explanation of the reason(s) for the exception;
  - b) The proposed alternative language; and
  - c) A description of the impact, if any, to the proposer's price.

Indicate all exceptions to the Sample Contract and/or the SOW by providing a 'red-lined' version of the language in question. The County relies on this procedure and any proposer who fails to make timely exceptions as required herein, may be barred, at the County's sole discretion, from later making such exceptions.

- 4. The County reserves the right to determine if proposers' exceptions are material enough to deem the proposal non-responsive and not subject to further evaluation.
- 5. The County reserves the right to make changes to the Sample Contract and its appendices and exhibits at its sole discretion. The County reserves the right to make changes to the SOW during negotiations with the selected proposer.

## V. Cost Proposal

A total of \$125,000 is available to hire one contractor for this project. Proposers shall submit the number of hours needed and hourly rate to determine the total price to complete all of the work and deliverables within the specified timeframe in the Statement of Work.

The pricing model for this solicitation is based on a fixed hourly rate that will be paid at

the completion of the identified deliverables/milestones. The fixed rate must include all of the proposer's costs. All of proposer's expenses, including but not limited to travel, telephone, clerical support, video and audio supplies, mileage, etc., must be included in the fixed hourly rate cost. Any costs incurred to complete this project in excess of the total fixed cost shall be borne by the proposer.

## VI. Preference Programs

The County of Los Angeles has three preference programs: The Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE), Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise (DVBE), and Social Enterprise (SE). The Board of Supervisors encourages business participation in the County's contracting process by continually streamlining and simplifying our selection process and expanding opportunities for these businesses to compete for County opportunities. The Preference Programs (LSBE, DVBE, and SE) requires that a business must complete certification prior to requesting a preference in a solicitation.

Proposers must indicate in this section if they qualify for the benefits of one of the County's Preference Programs (LSBE, DVBE, and SE).

In no case shall the Preference Programs (LSBE, DVBE, and SE) price or scoring preference be combined with any other county preference program to exceed fifteen percent (15%) in response to any County solicitation. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a business that knowingly, and with intent to defraud, seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a certified LSBE, DVBE, or SE when not qualified.

Until the proposal submission deadline, errors in proposals may be corrected by a request in writing to withdraw the proposal and by submission of another set of proposals with the mistakes corrected. Corrections will not be accepted once the deadline for submission of proposals has passed.

# ATTACHMENT B STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)

## Background

The consultant/consultant team will mainly focus on two areas of work, home visitation and prevention. Home Visitation is a multi-disciplinary, family-centered support strategy with services delivered by trained professionals in the home to expecting and new parents and is designed to empower parents to have healthy pregnancies, optimal infant/child development, school readiness, and prevention of adverse childhood experiences. Home Visiting programs provide a comprehensive array of holistic, strength-based services that promote parent and child physical and mental health, bonding and attachment, confidence and self-sufficiency, and optimizes infant/child development by building positive, empathetic, and supportive relationships with families and reinforcing nurturing relationships between parents and children. Prevention efforts ensure that families are provided with an array of upfront supports within their own communities in order to minimize their chances of entering the child welfare system and/or limit their involvement with the system once they are known to it as well as maximizes the chances of families and children living healthy and stable lives.

## Area 1: Home Visitation

There have been numerous research projects done to illustrate the impact of home visiting models in supporting outcomes in:

- improving family safety and parenting;
- decreasing criminal activity;
- increasing child and maternal health;
- improving mental health outcomes;
- improving child cognitive and social development; and,
- decreasing reliance on public assistance.

Within Los Angeles County, there is a strong base of quality home visiting programs funded through five local governmental entities and direct federal funding to local non-profit organizations. These funding streams enable 55 local non-profit organizations to provide home visiting services to young Los Angeles County families, including the capacity to provide intensive services to approximately 9,500 high-risk families per year, with a collective total capacity to help approximately 24,500 families per year.

However, recent budget cuts and fiscal constraints have led to significant program cuts to home visiting programs. For example, recent cuts to the Department of Public Health (DPH) funding in June 2021 will result in the loss of home visiting services to over 900 families in Los Angeles County. There is a Los Angeles County Home Visiting Collaborative Leadership Council that meets regularly to determine the best ways for coordinating home visiting supports. It is currently focused on trying to identify other funding streams to restore these vital services to families.

## Area 2: Prevention for Children and Families

Research suggests that child welfare systems experience pressure because families are not getting the support they need early enough, and as a result, some families are referred back to the system over and over again.

- One-third of the children in Los Angeles County's Department of Children and Family Services system are age four and under. A recent national study estimates that 37.4 percent of all children will have a protective services investigation by age 18.3.<sup>1</sup>
- Of all the babies born in Los Angeles County during 2006 and 2007, 14.6 percent were reported to child protective services before age five, although the majority of these referrals were not serious enough to warrant opening a case. This suggests that people may not know what to do, whom to trust, or where to find help when they suspect a problem is developing.<sup>2</sup>

On June 25, 2013, the Board of Supervisors (Board) established the Los Angeles County Blue Ribbon Commission on Child Protection (BRCCP) to review previous child welfare system reform efforts, barriers to effective systemic performance, and policies and practices within the system. One of the BRCCP's recommendations within their final report was to "develop a comprehensive prevention plan to reduce child abuse and neglect." In order to implement this recommendation, the OCP formed a Prevention Workgroup—including representatives from the Chief Executive Office, the departments of Child Support Services, Children and Family Services, Public Library, Mental Health, Parks and Recreation, Probation, Public Health, Public Social Services, and Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services, First 5 LA, the California Youth Connection, the Commission for Children and Families, the Children's Data Network, the Community Child Welfare Coalition, Casey Family Programs, the Inter-Agency Council on Child Abuse and Neglect, philanthropy, education, and other children's rights and legal advocacy organizations. The OCP also convened several community providers to better understand what is working in current prevention efforts, and what can be improved upon. In June 2017, the OCP released the LA County Prevention Plan "Paving the Road to Safety for our Children: A Prevention Plan for Los Angeles County" which laid out strategies to connect families early on to supports to reduce the number of children and families touched by the child welfare system, as well as decrease the length and intensity of interactions of those already in the system.

In 2017, the OCP and key partners moved forward with implementation of the prevention strategies. By 2020, the OCP and partners had made such good progress in elevating the need for primary prevention strategies to prevent entry into child welfare that several new initiatives had begun. A few key initiatives include:

<u>Invest LA</u>—This is DCFS's newly released strategic plan over the next five years that includes ensuring families at risk of being involved with the child welfare system receive

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Kim, H., Wildeman, C., Johnson-Reid, M., & Drake, B. (2017). "Lifetime prevalence of investigating child maltreatment among U.S. children." *American Journal of Public Health*, 107 (2), pp. 274–280.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> McGrath Tierney, M. "From Family Data to Neighborhood Outcomes." Stanford Social Innovation Review, November 29, 2016.

proper community based supports. Efforts will include identifying and expanding community based supports that can help these families.

<u>Thriving Families, Safer Children</u>—TFSC, is a public/private partnership at the local, state, and national level focused on strengthening child and family well-being over the next three years. The Los Angeles County team recently finalized a community co-creation plan for Los Angeles County. The plan was developed by members of the TFSC team with lived experience in the child-welfare and juvenile-justice systems, along with partners from philanthropy and government. The plan's first phase will be to conduct "visioning sessions" throughout the county during the fall of 2021 with residents and grass-roots community-based organizations to understand their aspirations and strategies for improving child and family well-being. This input will be used to align, invest in, and amplify community co-designed initiatives at the local, state, and national levels to create systems change in Los Angeles County and beyond.

<u>Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA)</u>—In response to new federal legislation that goes into effect on October 1, 2021, California released an updated FFPSA Prevention Plan. The revised state plan widened its eligibility criteria, making it possible for Los Angeles County to use FFPSA funds to maintain and further build community pathways to prevention services so that families do not need to reach the "crisis level" of a DCFS child abuse/neglect investigation to access crucial mental health, substanceabuse, and parenting resources. This change also opens further opportunities to divert families referred to the Child Protection Hotline into community-based programs instead of court-mandated intervention. The state similarly expanded the number of evidencedbased programs that can be used, helping the County to preserve crucial supports home-visiting services for expecting and parenting youth, Partnerships for Families, Alternative Response Services, and prevention and aftercare options, etc.—as well as draw down more federal funding for administrative and training costs.

In June and July, DCFS, in partnership with Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago, the OCP and others launched six implementation workgroups to delve deeply into the key fiscal, practice, technology, continuous quality improvement (CQI), training, and communications questions that are paramount to the successful maximization of the FFPSA funding stream.

These three initiatives align with and further move forward the values, principles, and recommendations outlined in the Los Angeles County Prevention Plan and will help ensure it gets implemented on a wider scale.

# **Purpose and Objectives:**

The consultant or consultant team will: 1) facilitate Los Angeles County Home Visitation workgroups that are working to coordinate and expand home visitation efforts across the County, such as the Los Angeles County Home Visiting Collaborative Leadership Council; 2) help to identify additional funding for home visiting supports; 3) provide leadership and expertise to the key prevention initiatives being implemented in Los Angeles County that

are all working towards connecting families early on to positive supports to reduce the number of children and families touched by the child welfare system, as well as the length and time for children and families already in the system; 4) lead other prevention efforts the OCP is involved in and, 5) provide support for other related activities.

Implementation will require collaboration with other internal and external stakeholders and partners.

## **General Statement of Work**

Specific objectives and activities to be accomplished by the selected consultant or consultant team include the following:

	Objectives	Activities	Timeline/ Deliverables
whe	udes who, what, when, ere, how, and how much for sh objective.	Indicates the activities and subtasks leading to the fulfillment of the objective. Includes benchmarks or milestones in chronological order. Includes the appropriate quantity or frequency of the associated activities or subtasks	Indicates Date Due.
1.	Lead the Los Angeles County Home Visiting Collaborative Leadership Council and help to identify additional funding to support home visiting	<ul> <li>Convene and facilitate Los Angeles County Home Visitation workgroups that are working to coordinate and expand home visitation efforts across the County, such as the Los Angeles County Home Visiting Collaborative Leadership Council and/or other relevant home visitation workgroups as needed to move collaboration forward</li> <li>Work with relevant partners to help identify additional funding streams to support home visiting services</li> <li>Work with DPH, First 5 LA, and other key partners to identify strategies and pathways for capitalizing on identified additional funding</li> <li>Facilitate and troubleshoot any issues related to DPH Home Visitation expansion efforts; problem solve with partners to resolve challenges that arise</li> <li>Develop strategies and project manage to resolve issues when identified actions fall behind set timelines</li> <li>Conduct data analysis on home visiting capacity, utilization, community need, and other topics as needed, in collaboration with key partners, such as the Home Visitation Consortium, DPH, and First 5 LA, and with input from OCP</li> <li>Research best practices and capacity/need data (see above) of home visiting, as needed</li> <li>Produce home visiting-related report, updates, documents, and summaries as needed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide support for the identification of funding and the expansion of County Home Visitation Capacity, across all models <ul> <li>Provide monthly status updates to OCP</li> </ul> </li> <li>Collaborate with First 5 LA, DPH, and others to develop a governance structure for Home Visitation <ul> <li>Draft governance structure by July 30, 2022</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
2.	Lead and Support Implementation of Key Prevention Efforts	<ul> <li>Participate in key prevention initiatives occurring in LA County including the Thriving Families, Safer Children (TFSC) Initiative; Invest LA; Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA)</li> </ul>	Align the work of the OCP Prevention Plan with key prevention initiatives and each other

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	<ul> <li>implementation; the proposed Reimagining Health and Human Services recommendations including centralizing prevention services; and others as they arise</li> <li>Provide additional leadership and facilitation to FFPSA implementation, as needed</li> <li>Facilitate listening sessions, community engagement, and plan development support to Thriving Families, Safer Children, as needed</li> <li>Work with partners to address identified systemic barriers, as they get identified</li> <li>Provide meeting facilitation and agenda preparation for related committees and workgroups across all key initiatives, as needed</li> <li>Provide project management support across all key initiatives, as needed, to ensure the projects meet specified deliverables and timelines</li> <li>Propose recommendations for sharing expertise and aligning efforts across related key prevention initiatives, including relevant County departments and other stakeholders</li> <li>Conduct data analysis regarding prevention needs, outcomes, domains, or finances, as needed</li> <li>Research best practices regarding prevention programming and community engagement, as needed</li> <li>Produce reports, MOUs, updates, and summaries, as needed (see below)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide monthly status updates to the OCP</li> <li>Identify and propose solutions to systemic barriers that hinder access to prevention supports at all levels of government</li> <li>Draft recommendations - July 30, 2022</li> <li>Develop a project dashboard on how to move the FFPSA implementation forward and monitor implementation progress</li> <li>Provide monthly status update on progress of strategic plan/dashboards to OCP</li> </ul>
3. Written Reports	<ul> <li>Drafting Reports, MOUs, updates, and summaries as needed, including:</li> <li>Collaborate with and solicit input from OCP, County Departments, and other key stakeholders to strategize on the approach and inform the content of reports</li> <li>Conduct and compile research as needed (see below)</li> <li>Develop written content, including supporting documentation</li> <li>Provide interim drafts, if appropriate</li> <li>Incorporate feedback and complete revisions to draft reports</li> <li>Complete final report and updates</li> </ul>	Deliverables and due dates to be determined by OCP.
4. Research	Research related to best practices, service gaps, coordination of services, referrals, funding, leveraging opportunities and/or other topics, in collaboration with OCP, key stakeholders, County Departments, and prevention leads as appropriate	Deliverables and due dates will be determined by OCP.

		<ul> <li>Miscellaneous research as may be required to support the Home Visitation and/or Prevention Plans</li> </ul>	
5.	Meetings and Presentations	<ul> <li>Participate and strategize in meetings, conference calls, and individual consultations related to the preparation of the report and supporting documentation.</li> <li>Present at meetings, convenings, and conferences as needed to educate and update stakeholders and the Board of Supervisors on progress of the Home Visitation and Prevention Plans</li> <li>Develop and draft supporting material as needed for meetings, convenings, and conferences and collaborate with OCP and key stakeholders to develop content</li> <li>Communicate with OCP, County Departments, and key stakeholders regarding progress and reporting, as needed</li> </ul>	Meeting dates and deliverables to be determined by OCP.
6.	Facilitative Support	5 7 1	Deliverables and due dates will be determined by OCP.

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# SAMPLE RFP CONTRACT



# **CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN**

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

AND

(CONTRACTOR)

FOR

**CONSULTANT SERVICES** 

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## Sample Contract

# CONTRACT BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## AND

## FOR

## **CONSULTANT SERVICES**

This Contract ("Contract") made and entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as County and \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as "Contractor".

\_\_\_\_ is located at \_\_\_\_

## **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the County may contract with private businesses for Consulting Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing consulting services with an expertise in Home Visitation and Prevention Services as well as other services to prevent children and families from entering the child welfare system; and

WHEREAS, on August 10, 2021 the Board of Supervisors delegated authority to the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, or her designee, to negotiate, execute, and amend contracts to assist the Office of Child Protection with implementing the Countywide Child Protection Strategic Plan and other key initiatives.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

## 1 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I are attached to and form a part of this Contract. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Contract and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the terms and conditions of the Contract and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority.

## Standard Exhibits:

- 1.1 Exhibit A Statement of Work
- 1.2 Exhibit B Pricing Schedule
- 1.3 Exhibit C Contractor's EEO Certification
- 1.4 Exhibit D County's Administration
- 1.5 Exhibit E Contractor's Administration
- 1.6 Exhibit F Forms Required at the Time of Contract Execution
- 1.7 Exhibit G Jury Service Ordinance

- 1.8 Exhibit H Safely Surrendered Baby Law
- 1.9 Exhibit I- Contractor's Certification of Exemption from Workers Compensation Insurance

This Contract constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties, and supersedes all previous contracts, written and oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Contract. No change to this Contract shall be valid unless prepared pursuant to Paragraph 8.1 (Amendments) and signed by both parties.

## 2 **DEFINITIONS**

## 2.1 Standard Definitions:

- **2.1.1** The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.
  - 2.1.1.1 **Contract:** This agreement executed between County and Contractor. Included are all supplemental agreements amending or extending the service to be performed. The Contract sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of all tasks, deliverables, services and other work.
  - 2.1.1.2 **Contractor**: The person or persons, sole proprietor, partnership, joint venture, corporation or other legal entity who has entered into an agreement with the County to perform or execute the work covered by this contract.
  - 2.1.1.3 **Statement of Work:** The directions, provisions, and requirements provided herein and special provisions pertaining to the method, frequency, manner and place of performing the contract services.
  - 2.1.1.4 **Subcontract:** An agreement by the contractor to employ a subcontractor to provide services to fulfill this contract.

- 2.1.1.5 **Subcontractor:** Any individual, person or persons, sole proprietor, firm, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity furnishing supplies, services of any nature, equipment, and/or materials to contractor in furtherance of contractor's performance of this contract, at any tier, under oral or written agreement.
- 2.1.1.6 **Board of Supervisors (Board):** The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles acting as governing body.
- 2.1.1.7 **County Project Manager:** Person designated by County's Project Director to manage the operations under this contract.
- 2.1.1.8 **County Contract Project Monitor:** Person with responsibility to oversee the day to day activities of this contract. Responsibility for inspections of any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work provided by the contractor.
- 2.1.1.9 **County Project Director:** Person designated by County with authority for County on contractual or administrative matters relating to this contract that cannot be resolved by the County's Project Manager.
- 2.1.1.10 **Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.1.1.11 **Contractor Project Manager:** The person designated by the Contractor to administer the Contract operations under this Contract
- 2.1.1.12 **Fiscal Year:** The twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.

# 3 WORK

- 3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Contract, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth in herein.
- 3.2 If the Contractor provides any tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work, other than as specified in this contract, the same shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of the contractor, and the contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against the County.

# 4 TERM OF CONTRACT

- 4.1 The term of this Contract shall be one (1) year commencing after execution by County's Board of Supervisors, unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Contract.
- 4.2 The County shall have the sole option to extend this Contract term for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods, for a maximum total Contract term of three (3) years. Each such extension option may be exercised at the sole discretion of the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors.

The County maintains a database that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into the database may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

4.3 The Contractor shall notify the Office of Child Protection when this Contract is within six (6) months of the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Office of Child Protection at the address herein provided in Exhibit D - County's Administration.

# 5 CONTRACT SUM

## 5.1 **Total Contract Sum**

5.1.1 The Maximum Amount of this Contract shall be \$125,000 for the term of this Contract as set forth in Paragraph 4, Term of Contract above.

## 5.2 Written Approval for Reimbursement

5.2.1 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any person or entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall not occur except with the County's express prior written approval.

## 5.3 Notification of 75% of Total Contract Sum

5.3.1 The Contractor shall maintain a system of record keeping that will allow the Contractor to determine when it has incurred seventy-five percent (75%) of the total contract sum under this Contract. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Office of Child Protection at the address herein provided in Exhibit D, County's Administration.

#### 5.4 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration-Termination of Contract

5.4.1 The Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should the Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration-termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from the Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

## 5.5 **Invoices and Payments**

- 5.5.1 The Contractor shall invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in Exhibit A Statement of Work and elsewhere hereunder. The Contractor shall prepare invoices, which shall include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor's payments shall be as provided in Exhibit B (Pricing Schedule) and the Contractor shall be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the County. If the County does not approve work in writing no payment shall be due to the Contractor for that work.
- 5.5.2 The Contractor's invoices shall be priced in accordance with Exhibit B (Pricing Schedule).
- 5.5.3 The Contractor's invoices shall contain the information set forth in Exhibit A (Statement of Work) describing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, work hours, and facility and/or other work for which payment is claimed.

- 5.5.4 The Contractor shall submit the monthly invoices to the County by the 15<sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.
- 5.5.5 All invoices under this Contract shall be submitted in two (2) copies to the following address:

County of Los Angeles Office of Child Protection Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 W. Temple St., Rm. 383 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Email: blundqvist@ocp.lacounty.gov

## 5.5.6 **County Approval of Invoices**

All invoices submitted by the Contractor for payment must have the written approval of the County's Project Manager prior to any payment thereof. In no event shall the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval. Approval for payment will not be unreasonably withheld.

# 5.5.7 Local Small Business Enterprises – Prompt Payment Program (if applicable)

Certified Local Small Business Enterprises (LSBEs) will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

## 5.6 Intentionally Omitted

## 5.7 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer

- 5.7.1 The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under an agreement/ contract with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).
- 5.7.2 The Contractor shall submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov

with banking and vendor information, and any other information that the A-C determines is reasonably necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.

- 5.7.3 Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.
- 5.7.4 At any time during the duration of the agreement/contract, a Contractor may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. Such request must be based on specific legal, business, or operational needs and explain why the payment method designated by the A-C is not feasible and an alternative is necessary. The A-C, in consultation with the contracting department(s), shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

## 6 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - COUNTY

## 6.1 County Administration

6.1.1 A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs are designated in Exhibit D (County's Administration). The County will notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

## 6.2 County's Project Director

- 6.2.1 The role of the County's Project Director may include:
  - 6.2.1.1 Coordinating with Contractor and ensuring Contractor's performance of the Contract; however, in no event shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby; and
  - 6.2.1.2 Upon request of the Contractor, providing direction to the Contractor, as appropriate in areas relating to County policy, information requirements, and procedural requirements; however, in no event, shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby.

## 6.3 County's Project Manager

- 6.3.1 The role of the County's Project Manager is authorized to include:
  - 6.3.1.1 Meeting with the Contractor's Project Manager on a regular basis; and
  - 6.3.1.2 Inspecting any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work provided by or on behalf of the Contractor; however, in no event shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby.

The County's Project Manager is not authorized to make any changes in any of the terms and conditions of this Contract and is not authorized to further obligate County in any respect whatsoever.

## 6.4 County's Contract Project Monitor

6.4.1 The role of the County's Project Monitor is to oversee the day-to-day administration of this Contract; however, in no event shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby. The Project Monitor reports to the County's Project Manager.

## 7 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - CONTRACTOR

## 7.1 Contractor Administration

A listing of all of Contractor's Administration referenced in the following paragraphs is designated in Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration). The Contractor will notify the County in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

## 7.2 Contractor's Project Manager

- 7.2.1 The Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration). The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Project Manager.
- 7.2.2 The Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for the Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Contract and shall meet and coordinate with County's

Project Manager and County's Contract Project Monitor on a regular basis.

## 7.3 Approval of Contractor's Staff

7.3.1 County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of the Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in the Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's Project Manager.

## 7.4 Contractor's Staff Identification

All of Contractor's employees assigned to County facilities are required to have a County Identification (ID) badge on their person and visible at all times. Contractor bears all expense of the badging.

- 7.4.1 Contractor is responsible to ensure that employees have obtained a County ID badge before they are assigned to work in a County facility. Contractor personnel may be asked by a County representative to leave a County facility if they do not have the proper County ID badge on their person and Contractor personnel must immediately comply with such request.
- 7.4.2 Contractor shall notify the County within one business day when staff is terminated from working under this Contract. Contractor shall retrieve and return an employee's County ID badge to the County on the next business day after the employee has terminated employment with the Contractor.
- 7.4.3 If County requests the removal of Contractor's staff, Contractor shall retrieve and return an employee's County ID badge to the County on the next business day after the employee has been removed from working on the County's Contract.

## 7.5 Background and Security Investigations

7.5.1 Each of Contractor's staff performing services under this Contract, who is in a designated sensitive position, as determined by County in County's sole discretion, shall undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Contract. Such background investigation must be obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice to include State, local, and federal-level review, which may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless of whether the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

If a member of Contractor's staff does not pass the background investigation, County may request that the member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Contract. Contractor shall comply with County's request at any time during the term of the Contract. County will not provide to Contractor or to Contractor's staff any information obtained through the County's background investigation.

- 7.5.2 County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of Contractor's staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with County facility access.
- 7.5.3 Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 7.5 shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

## 7.6 Confidentiality

- 7.6.1 Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.
- 7.6.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Paragraph 7.6, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to contractor's indemnification obligations under this

Paragraph 7.6 shall be conducted by contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

- 7.6.3 Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.
- 7.6.4 Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit F.

# 8 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## 8.1 Amendments

- 8.1.1 For any change which affects the scope of work, term, contract sum, payments, or any term or condition included under this Contract, an amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the contractor and by the Executive Director, Board of Supervisors or her designee. For non-material changes, a Change Notice shall be presented and signed by the County Project Manager or her designee.
- 8.1.2 The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Contract during the term of this Contract. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the contractor and by the County Project Director, or his designee.
- 8.1.3 The Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, or her designee, may at her sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 4, Term of Contract. The contractor

agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the contractor and by the County Project Director, or his designee.

## 8.2 Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions

- 8.2.1 The contractor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of its company unless otherwise legally prohibited from doing so. If the contractor is restricted from legally notifying the County of pending acquisitions/mergers, then it should notify the County of the actual acquisitions/mergers as soon as the law allows and provide to the County the legal framework that restricted it from notifying the County prior to the actual acquisitions/mergers.
- 8.2.2 The contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Contract, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent shall require a written Amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegatee or assignee on any claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the contractor may have against the County.
- 8.2.3 Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of the Contract, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.
- 8.2.4 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any person or entity other than the contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a

material breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by contractor.

## 8.3 Authorization Warranty

8.3.1 The contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract for the contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of the contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

## 8.4 Budget Reductions

8.4.1 In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County contracts, the County reserves the right to payment obligation under this reduce its Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the contractor under this Contract shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

## 8.5 Complaints

- 8.5.1 The contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.
- 8.5.2 Complaint Procedures
  - 8.5.2.1 Within 30 business days after the Contract effective date, the contractor shall provide the County with the contractor's policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.
- 8.5.2.2 The County will review the contractor's policy and provide the contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
- 8.5.2.3 If the County requests changes in the contractor's policy, the contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within 15 business days for County approval.
- 8.5.2.4 If, at any time, the contractor wishes to change the contractor's policy, the contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.
- 8.5.2.5 The contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Project Manager of the status of the investigation within 10 business days of receiving the complaint.
- 8.5.2.6 When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- 8.5.2.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County's Project Manager within 10 business days of mailing to the complainant.

#### 8.6 Compliance with Applicable Law

- 8.6.1 In the performance of this Contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 8.6.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to contractor's indemnification

obligations under Paragraph 8.6 (Compliance with Applicable Law) shall be conducted by contractor and performed by counsel selected by contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

## 8.7 Compliance with Civil Rights Laws

8.7.1 The contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. The contractor shall comply with Exhibit C (Contractor's EEO Certification).

## 8.8 Compliance with the County's Jury Service Program

## 8.8.1 Jury Service Program:

This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit G and incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract.

## 8.8.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy.

 Unless the contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the contractor is not a "contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

- 2. For purposes of this paragraph, "contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or more in any twelve (12) month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of the contractor. "Full-time" means forty (40) hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) contractor has a longstanding practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of ninety (90) days or less within a twelve (12) month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If the contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this paragraph. The provisions of this paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.
  - 3. If the contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, the contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the contractor shall immediately notify the County if the contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "contractor" or if the contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, the contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The

County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the contractor demonstrate, to the County's satisfaction that the contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "contractor" and/or that the contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

4. Contractor's violation of this paragraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract and/or bar the contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

## 8.9 Conflict of Interest

- 8.9.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing Contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of the contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.
- 8.9.2 The contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. The contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph shall be a material breach of this Contract.
- 8.10 Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoffs or are on a County Re-Employment List

8.10.1 Should the contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

## 8.11 Consideration of Hiring GAIN-GROW Participants

- 8.11.1 Should the contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the contractor will interview gualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN-GROW participants by job category to the contractor. Contractors shall report all job openings with job requirements to: GAINGROW@DPSS.LACOUNTY.GOV and BSERVICES@WDACS.LACOUNTY.GOV and DPSS will refer qualified GAIN/GROW job candidates.
- 8.11.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

#### 8.12 Contractor Responsibility and Debarment

#### 8.12.1 Responsible Contractor

A responsible contractor is a contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

## 8.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing contracts the contractor may have with the County.

#### 8.12.3 Non-responsible contractor

The County may debar a contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the contractor has done any of the following: 1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, 2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, 3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or 4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

## 8.12.4 Contractor Hearing Board

- 8.12.4.1 If there is evidence that the contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 8.12.4.2 The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The contractor and/or the contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the

tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

- 8.12.4.3 After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 8.12.4.4 If a contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: 1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; 2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; 3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or 4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
- 8.12.4.5 The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where 1) the contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; 2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and 3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment. includes and supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board

pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

8.12.4.6 The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

#### 8.12.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County contractors.

#### 8.13 Contractor's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to Safely Surrendered Baby Law

8.13.1 The contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster, in Exhibit H, in a prominent position at the contractor's place of business. The contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position and posters for printing are available at www.babysafela.org.

#### 8.14 Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program

- 8.14.1 The contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through contracts are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.
- 8.14.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the contractor warrants that it is

now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

## 8.15 County's Quality Assurance Plan

The County or its agent(s) will monitor the contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such monitoring will include assessing the contractor's compliance with all Contract terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are significant or continuing and that may place performance of the Contract in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors and listed in the appropriate contractor performance database. The report to the Board will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Contract or impose other penalties as specified in this Contract.

## 8.16 Damage to County Facilities, Buildings or Grounds

- 8.16.1 The contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the contractor or employees or agents of the contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after the contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.
- 8.16.2 If the contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the contractor by cash payment upon demand.

## 8.17 Employment Eligibility Verification

8.17.1 The contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

8.17.2 The contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Contract.

#### 8.18 Counterparts and Electronic Signatures and Representations

This Contract may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Contract. The facsimile, email or electronic signature of the Parties shall be deemed to constitute original signatures, and facsimile or electronic copies hereof shall be deemed to constitute duplicate originals.

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard electronic representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to Paragraph 8.1 (Amendments) and received via communications facilities (facsimile, email or electronic signature), as legally sufficient evidence that such legally binding signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Contract.

## 8.19 Fair Labor Standards

8.19.1 The contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the contractor's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

## 8.20 Force Majeure

- 8.20.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this paragraph as "force majeure events").
- 8.20.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this subparagraph, the term "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractors at any tier.
- 8.20.3 In the event contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

## 8.21 Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue

This Contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Contract and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

## 8.22 Independent Contractor Status

8.22.1 This Contract is by and between the County and the contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to

create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

- 8.22.2 The contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the contractor.
- 8.22.3 The contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the contractor and not employees of the County. The contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the contractor pursuant to this Contract.
- 8.22.4 The contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in Paragraph 7.6 (Confidentiality).

#### 8.23 Indemnification

8.23.1 The contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers (County Indemnitees) from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from and/or relating to this Contract, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County indemnitees.

## 8.24 General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage

8.24.1 Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Paragraphs 8.24 and 8.25 of this Contract. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.

#### 8.24.2 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- 8.24.2.1 Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.
- **8.24.2.2** Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than ten (10) days prior to contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required contractor and/or sub-contractor insurance policies at any time.
- 8.24.2.3 Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number. its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), and list any County required endorsement forms.
- **8.24.2.4** Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement,

or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

**8.24.2.5** Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to:

County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, Office of Child Protection Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Room 383, Los Angeles, CA 90012 Attention: Barbara Lundqvist, Senior Staff Analyst

8.24.2.6 Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to contractor. Contractor also shall promptly notify County of any third party claim or suit filed against contractor or any of its subcontractors which arises from or relates to this Contract and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against contractor and/or County.

## 8.24.3 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, it's Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, employees and volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) shall be provided additional insured status under contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

## 8.24.4 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance

Contractor shall provide County with, or contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

## 8.24.5 Failure to Maintain Insurance

Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to contractor or pursue contractor reimbursement.

## 8.24.6 Insurer Financial Ratings

Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by County.

## 8.24.7 **Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary**

Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Contract, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any contractor coverage.

#### 8.24.8 Waivers of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Contract. The contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

#### 8.24.9 Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each subcontractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each subcontractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each subcontractor name the County and contractor as additional insureds on the subcontractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any subcontractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

#### 8.24.10 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)

Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

#### 8.24.11 Claims Made Coverage

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Contract. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

## 8.24.12 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow form" over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

#### 8.24.13 Separation of Insureds

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

## 8.24.14 Alternative Risk Financing Programs

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, Contractor use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

#### 8.24.15 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

#### 8.25 Insurance Coverage

8.25.1 **Commercial General Liability** insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate:	\$2 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 million

8.25.2 **Automobile Liability** insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of

contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Contract, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

8.25.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified self- insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

## 8.26 Liquidated Damages

- 8.26.1 If, in the judgment of the Executive Officer, or her designee, the contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Executive Officer, or her designee, at her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the contractor by the Executive Officer, or her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.
- 8.26.2 If the Executive Officer, or her designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the Executive Officer, or her designee, deems are correctable by the contractor over a certain time span, the Executive Officer, or her designee, will provide a written notice to the contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Executive Officer, or her designee, may: (a) Deduct from the contractor's

payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is one hundred dollars (\$100) per day per infraction, or as specified in the Exhibit 2 (Performance Requirements Summary (PRS)) Chart Appendix B(Statement of Work Exhibits) hereunder, and that the contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the contractor; and/or (c) Upon giving five (5) days notice to the contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the contractor from the County, as determined by the County.

- 8.26.3 The action noted in Paragraph 8.26.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Contract.
- 8.26.4 This Paragraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Contract provided by law or as specified in the PRS or Paragraph 8.26.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Contract as agreed to herein.

## 8.27 Most Favored Public Entity

8.27.1 If the contractor's prices decline, or should the contractor at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

## 8.28 Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

8.28.1 The contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and

shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

- 8.28.2 The contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit C (Contractor's EEO Certification).
- 8.28.3 The contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- 8.28.4 The contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.
- 8.28.5 The contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.
- 8.28.6 The contractor shall allow County representatives access to the contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph 8.28 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) when so requested by the County.
- 8.28.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this Paragraph 8.28 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of

this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.

8.28.8 The parties agree that in the event the contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

#### 8.29 Non Exclusivity

8.29.1 Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the contractor. This Contract shall not restrict County from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

#### 8.30 Notice of Delays

8.30.1 Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

#### 8.31 Notice of Disputes

8.31.1 The contractor shall bring to the attention of the County's Project Manager and/or County's Project Director any dispute between the County and the contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County's Project Manager or County's Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, or her designee shall resolve it.

## 8.32 Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit

8.32.1 The contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

# 8.33 Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

8.33.1 The contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The information is set forth in Exhibit H, Safely Surrendered Baby Law of this Contract. Additional information is available at <u>www.babysafela.org</u>.

#### 8.34 Notices

8.34.1 All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits D (County's Administration) and E (Contractor's Administration). Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors or her designee shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Contract.

## 8.35 Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion

8.35.1 Notwithstanding the above, the contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Contract and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

#### 8.36 Public Records Act

8.36.1 Any documents submitted by the contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and

inspect the contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Paragraph 8.38 (Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement) of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

8.36.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary", the contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

#### 8.37 Publicity

- 8.37.1 The contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the contractor from publishing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:
  - 8.37.1.1 The contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
  - 8.37.1.2 During the term of this Contract, the contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County's Project Director. The Countv shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

8.37.2 The contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this Paragraph 8.37 (Publicity) shall apply.

## 8.38 Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement

- 8.38.1 The contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. The contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.
- 8.38.2 In the event that an audit of the contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the contractor or otherwise, then the contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, the County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s) 8.38.3. Failure on the part of the contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this subparagraph 8.38 shall constitute a material breach of this

Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract.

If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five 8.38.3 (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the contractor from the County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Contract.

## 8.39 Recycled Bond Paper

8.39.1 Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Contract.

## 8.40 Subcontracting

- 8.40.1 The requirements of this Contract may not be subcontracted by the contractor **without the advance approval of the County**. Any attempt by the contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Contract.
- 8.40.2 If the contractor desires to subcontract, the contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request:
  - 8.40.2.1 A description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor;
  - 8.40.2.2 A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and

- 8.40.2.3 Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.
- 8.40.3 The contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such subcontractor(s) were the contractor employees.
- 8.40.4 The contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the contractor's proposed subcontract.
- 8.40.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. The contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.
- 8.40.6 The County's Project Director is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.
- 8.40.7 The contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- 8.40.8 The contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved subcontractor. Before any subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder, contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to:

Board of Supervisors, Office of Child Protection Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Room 383, Los Angeles, CA 90012 Attention: Barbara Lundqvist, Senior Staff Analyst

#### 8.41 Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program

8.41.1 Failure of the contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.14 (Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program) shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of the contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Contract pursuant to Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) and pursue debarment of the contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

## 8.42 Termination for Convenience

- 8.42.1 This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to the contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.
- 8.42.2 After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the contractor shall:
  - 8.42.2.1 Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
  - 8.42.2.2 Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- 8.42.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the contractor under this Contract shall be maintained by the contractor in accordance with Paragraph 8.38 (Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement).

## 8.43 Termination for Default

- 8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of County's Project Director:
  - 8.43.1.1 Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or
  - 8.43.1.2 Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or
  - 8.43.1.3 Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.
- 8.43.2 In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in Paragraph 8.43.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this paragraph.
- 8.43.3 Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in Paragraph 8.43.2 if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires. floods. epidemics. quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the contractor shall not be liable for any such excess

costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this paragraph, the term "subcontractor(s)" means subcontractor(s) at any tier.

- 8.43.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) it is determined by the County that the contractor was not in default under the provisions of Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) or that the default was excusable under the provisions of subparagraph 8.43.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to Paragraph 8.42 (Termination for Convenience).
- 8.43.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

## 8.44 Termination for Improper Consideration

- 8.44.1 The County may, by written notice to the contractor, immediately terminate the right of the contractor to proceed under this Contract if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Contract or the making of any determinations with respect to the contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the contractor.
- 8.44.2 The contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

8.44.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

#### 8.45 Termination for Insolvency

- 8.45.1 The County may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
  - 8.45.1.1 Insolvency of the contractor. The contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
  - 8.45.1.2 The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
  - 8.45.1.3 The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the contractor; or
  - 8.45.1.4 The execution by the contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- 8.45.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.45 (Termination for Insolvency) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

## 8.46 Termination for Non-Adherence of County Lobbyist Ordinance

8.46.1 The contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

## 8.47 Termination for Non-Appropriation of Funds

8.47.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County shall not be obligated for the contractor's

performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Contract in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

#### 8.48 Validity

8.48.1 If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

#### 8.49 Waiver

8.49.1 No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this paragraph 8.49 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

#### 8.50 Warranty Against Contingent Fees

- 8.50.1 The contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon any Contract or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the contractor for the purpose of securing business.
- 8.50.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Contract and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.
- 8.51 Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

8.51.1 Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

Unless contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this contract will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206.

## 8.52 Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

8.52.1 Failure of contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.51 "Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" shall constitute default under this contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this contract, failure of contractor to cure such default within ten (10) days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this contract and/or pursue debarment of contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

#### 8.53 Time Off for Voting

8.53.1 The contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than ten (10) days before every statewide election, every contractor and subcontractors shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14000.

#### 8.54 Compliance with County's Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking

Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking prohibiting contractors from engaging in human trafficking. If a Contractor or member of Contractor's staff is convicted of a human trafficking offense, the County shall require that the Contractor or member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Contract. County will not be under any obligation to disclose confidential information regarding the offenses other than those required by law.

Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this paragraph shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

#### 8.55 Intentionally Omitted

## 8.56 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Practices

Contractor shall comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History. Contractor's violation of this paragraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract.

## 8.57 Compliance with the County Policy of Equity

The contractor acknowledges that the County takes its commitment to preserving the dignity and professionalism of the workplace very seriously, as set forth in the County Policy of Equity (CPOE) (https://ceop.lacounty.gov/). The contractor further acknowledges that the County strives to provide a workplace free from discrimination, harassment, retaliation and inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, and which may violate the CPOE. The contractor, its employees and subcontractors acknowledge and certify receipt and understanding of the CPOE. Failure of the contractor, its employees or its subcontractors to uphold the County's expectations of a workplace free from harassment and discrimination, including inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, may subject the contractor to termination of contractual agreements as well as civil liability.

## 8.58 **Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)**

A Proposer, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Proposer/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Proposer/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision shall result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Proposer from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract. This provision shall survive the expiration, or other termination of this Agreement.

## 9 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## 9.1 Intentionally Omitted

# 9.2 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

- 9.2.1 Contractor expressly acknowledges and agrees that the provision of services under this Agreement does not require or permit access by Contractor or any of its officers, employees, or agents, to any patient medical records/patient information. Accordingly, Contractor shall instruct its officers, employees, and agents that they are not to pursue, or gain access to, patient medical records/patient information for any reason whatsoever.
- 9.2.2 Notwithstanding the forgoing, the parties acknowledge that in the course of the provision of services hereunder, Contractor or its officers, employees, and agents, may have inadvertent access to patient medical records/patient information. Contractor understands and agrees that neither it nor its officers, employees, or agents, are to take advantage of such access for any purpose whatsoever.
- 9.2.3 Additionally, in the event of such inadvertent access, Contractor and its officers, employees, and agents, shall maintain the confidentiality of any information obtained and shall notify Director that such access has been gained immediately, or upon the first reasonable opportunity to do so. In the event of any access, whether inadvertent or intentional, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to, actions, claims, costs, demands, expenses, and fees (including attorney and expert witness fees) arising from or connected with Contractor's or its officers', employees', or agents', access to patient medical records/patient information. Contractor agrees to provide appropriate training to its employees regarding their obligations as described hereinabove.

- 9.3 Intentionally Omitted
- 9.4 Intentionally Omitted
- 9.5 Intentionally Omitted
- 9.6 Intentionally Omitted
- 9.7 Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference Program (if applicable)
  - 9.7.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled LSBE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.
  - 9.7.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a LSBE.
  - 9.7.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a LSBE.
  - 9.7.4 If the Contractor has obtained certification as a LSBE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:
    - Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded;
    - In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than ten (10) percent of the amount of the contract; and
    - 3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

## 9.8 Social Enterprise (SE) Preference Program (if applicable)

- 9.8.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled SE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code.
- 9.8.2 Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a SE.
- 9.8.3 Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a SE.
- 9.8.4 If Contractor has obtained County certification as a SE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, Contractor shall:
  - 1. Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded;
  - 2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1) above, the Contractor will be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the contract; and
  - 3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).
The above penalties shall also apply to any entity that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

## 9.9 Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Preference Program (if applicable)

- 9.9.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled DVBE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.211 of the Los Angeles County Code.
- 9.9.2 Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a DVBE.
- 9.9.3 Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a DVBE.
- 9.9.4 If Contractor has obtained certification as a DVBE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, Contractor shall:
  - 1. Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded;
  - In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1) above, the Contractor will be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent of the amount of the contract; and
  - 4. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Nonresponsibility and Contractor Debarment).

Not withstanding any other remedies in this contract, the above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, contractor has executed this Contract, or caused it to be duly executed and the County of Los Angeles, by order of its Board of Supervisors has caused this Contract to be executed on its behalf by the Chair of said Board and attested by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors thereof, the day and year first above written.

CONTRACTO	R: () Name
Ву	Name
	Title
COUNTY OF	LOS ANGELES
	Zavala, Executive Officer of the of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RODRIGO A. CASTRO-SILVA County Counsel

By\_\_\_

Principal Deputy County Counsel

EXHIBIT A

# STATEMENT OF WORK

# NOT ATTACHED TO SAMPLE

**Pricing Schedule** 

# NOT ATTACHED TO SAMPLE

# **CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION**

### Contractor Name

### Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

### GENERAL CERTIFICATION

In accordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the County of Los Angeles, the contractor, supplier, or vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all antidiscrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

### CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFICATIONS

1.	The Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.	Yes □	No 🗆
2.	The Contractor periodically conducts a self analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.	Yes □	No 🗆
3.	The Contractor has a system for determining if Its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.	Yes □	No 🗆
4.	Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.	Yes 🗆	No 🗆

Authorized Official's Printed Name and Title

# **COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION**

CONTRACT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

## **COUNTY PROJECT DIRECTOR:**

Name:	
Title:	
A ddroool	
Telephone:	Facsimile:
E-Mail Addr	ess:
COUNTY PROJECT M	ANAGER:
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
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Telephone:	Facsimile:

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

# COUNTY CONTRACT PROJECT MONITOR:

Name:		
Title:		
Address:		
Telephone:		Facsimile:
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# CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION

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Notices to Contractor shall be sent to the following:

Name:			
Title:			
Address:			

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# CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

# FORMS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF CONTRACT EXECUTION

#### CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

#### EXHIBIT F

Contract

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

### CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractors (Contractor's Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor's sole responsibility. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff must rely exclusively upon Contractor for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable by virtue of Contractor's Staff's performance of work under the above-referenced contract.

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

### **CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

Contractor and Contractor's Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. Contractor and Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that Contractor and Contractor's Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreement as a condition of work to be provided by Contractor's Staff for the County.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract between Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to County's Project Manager.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to Contractor and Contractor's Staff under the above-referenced contract. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, Contractor and Contractor's Staff shall keep such information confidential.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by Contractor and Contractor's Staff and/or by any other person of whom Contractor and Contractor's Staff become aware.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject Contractor and Contractor's Staff to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

SIGNATURE:	DATE:	_/	/
PRINTED NAME:			
POSITION:			

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### Title 2 ADMINISTRATION Chapter 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE

### 2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
  - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
  - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
  - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
  - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
  - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
  - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or
  - 7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
  - 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

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- D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
  - 1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or
  - 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

- 1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
- 2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
  - 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
  - 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
  - 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

# SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW





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# Safely Surrendered Baby Law

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law? California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a baby, let her know there are other options. For three days (72 hours) after birth, a baby can be surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

### How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

# What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

# Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

#### Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

#### Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

#### What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

# What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

#### Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

# A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.



Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles

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# Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

### ¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

### ¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

# ¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

#### ¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan *si tienen custodia legal.* 

#### ¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

#### ¿Es necesario que el padre/ madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

#### ¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

#### ¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

#### ¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

# Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

### CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION OF EXEMPTION FROM WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE

I certify that in the performance of the Statement of Work (SOW) described in the County of Los Angeles (County) Contract for services \_\_\_\_\_\_, I shall not employ any person in any manner so as to become subject to State of federal Workers Compensation Laws.

I also certify that if in the future I should employ persons to perform the SOW described in the Contract, in a manner that makes me subject to State of federal Workers Compensation Laws, I shall immediately obtain Workers Compensation insurance coverage and provide the County a certificate of insurance as evidence that I am in compliance with State or federal Workers Compensation Laws and the terms and conditions of the Contract.

Contractor Name

Signature

Print Name

Title

Date

# ATTACHMENT D PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR REFERENCES

Contractor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Firm A	ddress of Firm C () ()	ontact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term	of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.	
2. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term	of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.	
3. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
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4. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
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Support and Implement Los Angeles County Home Visitation, Prevention, and Other Related Activities Request for Proposals Attachment D- Prospective Contractor References

# ATTACHMENT E PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF CONTRACTS

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List of all public entities for which the Contractor has provided service within the last three (3) years. Use additional sheets if necessary.							
Address of Firm () ()	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #				
# of Years / Term	of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.				
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# ATTACHMENT F PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS

List of all contracts that	it have been terminate	d within the last thre	e (3) years.		
1. Name of Firm	Address of Firm () ()	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Term	ination:			
2. Name of Firm	Address of Firm () ()	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Term	ination:			
3. Name of Firm	Address of Firm () ()	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Term	ination:			
4. Name of Firm	Address of Firm () ()	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Term	ination:			
5. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone #	Fax #	
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Term	ination:			

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