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Dear Supervisors:

# **ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

22 August 1, 2017

LORI GLASGOW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WORKER EDUCATION AND RESOURCE CENTER, INC.

TO PROVIDE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

(ALL DISTRICTS)

(3 VOTES)

### **SUBJECT**

Approval of the recommended actions will authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an agreement with the Worker Education and Resource Center, Inc. to provide workforce development services for the County of Los Angeles.

### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or her designee, to execute a Delegated Authority Agreement with the Worker Education and Resource Center, Inc. for a not-to-exceed total fee of \$705,000 through June 30, 2018. The agreement will be substantially similar to Attachment A, and has been approved as to form by the Office of the County Counsel.
- 2. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or her designee, to amend the agreement, including the statement of work and term of the agreement, as needed with approval as to form by the Office of the County Counsel.

### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will enable the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to work with the Worker Education and Resources Center, Inc. (WERC or Contractor) to develop a strategic plan for excellence in workforce development services focused on current and prospective County

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employees. The plan will include the design and execution of critical pilot programs to address occupational shortages, improve equity and cultural competency, and improve County service delivery, while aligning opportunities with targeted workers facing barriers to employment.

With the County's increased focus on economic development, and notably, workforce development, the CEO must centralize the strategic focus of the County's job training and recruitment programs by leveraging the work currently being done across departments. Approval of the agreement (Agreement) between the County and WERC is complementary to the Board's ongoing objective to identify and promote career paths for workers in the private sector. Under the direction of the CEO, WERC will seek to establish similar workforce objectives for career opportunities in the County. To the extent that workforce development strategies can be applied towards both private sector and County objectives, WERC will seek to identify and foster such opportunities. The objective is to build a more dynamic workforce that provides meaningful assistance to those individuals facing the greatest barriers to economic success.

The CEO has identified WERC as the appropriate party for this assignment given its proven record of assisting the County in addressing workforce shortages in critical occupations such as nursing, medical record coding, medical assistants, MRI technicians, and other essential health care positions. WERC was founded in 2001 to operate as a labor-management intermediary to plan and provide workforce development educational programs for employees of the County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services represented by the Service Employees International Union. WERC is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended actions support County Strategic Plan Strategy II.1 (Driving Economic and Workforce Development in the County) Objective 3, Coordinate Workforce Development, by developing an implementation plan to enhance workforce development programs in the County.

# **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Approval of the Agreement will not result in any increase to net County cost in Fiscal Year 2017-18. The Agreement with WERC will be set at a contract sum not to exceed \$705,000, and will be paid with funding approved by the Board in the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Adopted Budget. Options to extend the Agreement will only be executed if funding is available in future budgets approved by the Board. Further, to the extent that additional funding is available through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program, such monies may be utilized, where appropriate, to offset net County cost expenditures.

# FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In October 2015, the Board approved the creation of an Economic Development Trust Fund to encourage business growth and create job opportunities in the County. This action spurred the County's strategic investment in economic development, and initiated a new effort to secure the vitality of the local economy and support high-growth industries. To that end, the CEO established an Economic Development Unit to coordinate and execute the strategic initiatives of both the Board and the newly-formed Economic Development Policy Committee.

The CEO's Economic Development Unit has prioritized the need for expertise in analyzing and making recommendations to improve the County's workforce development programs, small business incentives, and public-private partnerships. To date, efforts surrounding workforce development

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have largely focused on programs designed to aid the external County workforce. Approval of this Agreement will demonstrate a like effort to improve the efficacy and equity of job training and recruitment programs specific to the County workforce. Consistent with Board initiatives, such as the Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy, the Agreement with WERC will also seek to align County employment opportunities for in-demand occupations with targeted workers experiencing ongoing barriers to employment.

The Agreement with WERC will serve to fund a staff of several workforce development professionals who will initially be tasked with completing an environmental scan of current workforce development programs focused on County occupations and career paths. Additional deliverables will include a labor market analysis, equity audit, contracts audit, pre-employment training services, and the development of pilot programs for enhanced workforce development services. The objective with each of these deliverables is to better prepare the County for its future workforce demands, and to do so through a program that emphasizes equity and enhanced opportunity for targeted workers. The oversight responsibility for the WERC agreement will reside with the CEO's Economic Development Unit. WERC staff will, however, be provided with the flexibility to engage and work directly with County departments as they complete their deliverables.

The Agreement to be executed with WERC will utilize the standard CEO contract template and contain terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including, but not limited to: 1) Child Support Compliance Program; 2) Contractor Responsibility and Debarment; 3)Contractor Employee Jury Service Program; 4) Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program; 5) County's Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) and General Relief Opportunities (GROW) Programs; 6) Report of Improper Solicitations; 7) Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers; and 8) Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law).

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the recommended actions will provide for enhanced coordination and alignment of existing workforce development programs, and foster the creation of new programs to address the occupational needs and priorities of the County. There will be no disruption to any ongoing services provided by WERC to County departments.

### **CONCLUSION**

Upon approval of the recommended policy, please provide an adopted copy to the Chief Executive Office, Economic Development/Affordable Housing Unit, Room 754 of the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration.

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Respectfully submitted,

SACHI A. HAMAI

Chief Executive Officer

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Enclosures

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors County Counsel Auditor-Controller



# DELEGATED AUTHORITY AGREEMENT FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CONSULTING SERVICES

BETWEEN

THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

AND

WORKER EDUCATION AND RESOURCES CENTER, INC.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY AGREEMENT CONTRACT NUMBER: AO-18-002

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# CONTRACT BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### AND

# WORKER EDUCATION AND RESOURCES CENTER, INC.

# **FOR**

### WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CONSULTING SERVICES

This CONTRACT is entered into this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2017, by and between the County of Los Angeles (hereafter "COUNTY") and Worker Education and Resources Center, Inc. (hereafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR" or "CONSULTANT"), to provide COUNTY with consulting services.

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR desires to provide, and COUNTY desires to acquire from CONTRACTOR, services as a consultant.

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR is a firm of recognized professionals with extensive experience and training in their specialized field. In rendering these services, CONTRACTOR shall at a minimum, exercise the ordinary care and skill expected from the average practitioner in CONTRACTOR's profession acting under similar circumstances.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has authorized the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Government Code Sections 23005 and 31000, to enter into contracts for such specialized consulting services.

NOW, THEREFORE, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

### 1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, and G 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 Contract and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority.

#### Standard Exhibits:

1.1	EVUIDIT A	Statement of Work
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1.2	EXHIBIT B -	Pricing Schedule
1.3	EXHIBIT C -	Contractor's EEO Certification
1.4	EXHIBIT D -	Consultant Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality
		Agreement
1.5	EXHIBIT E -	Invitation For Bid/Request For Proposals Grounds For
		Rejection
1.6	EXHIBIT F -	Safely Surrendered Baby Law

# 1.7 EXHIBIT G - Consultant Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement

This Contract and the Exhibits hereto constitute 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 sub-paragraph 8.1 - Amendments and signed by both parties.

#### 2.0 DEFINITIONS

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 "Agreement or Contract" shall mean a contract executed between COUNTY and CONTRACTOR. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of the Exhibit A Statement of Work.
- 2.2 "CONTRACTOR" or "CONSULTANT" shall mean the sole proprietor, partnership, or corporation that has entered into a contract with the COUNTY to perform or execute the work covered by the Exhibit A Statement of Work.
- 2.3 "Day(s)" shall mean calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.4 **"Fiscal Year"** shall mean the twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.

### 3.0 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 Exhibit A Statement of Work.
- 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.

### 4.0 TERM OF CONTRACT

4.1 The term of this Contract shall commence upon the date of execution by COUNTY and shall expire on June 30, 2018, subject to COUNTY's right to terminate earlier for convenience, non-appropriation of funds, default of CONTRACTOR, substandard performance of CONTRACTOR, non-responsibility of CONTRACTOR, improper consideration given/offered to COUNTY with respect to the award of this Contract, and breach of warranty to maintain compliance with COUNTY's Child Support Compliance Program.

### 5.0 CONTRACT SUM

- 5.1 The Amount of this Contract shall be \$704,704 for the term of this Contract as set forth Paragraph 4.0 Term of Contract, above. The CONTRACTOR has agreed to provide the services consistent with Exhibit A, SOW, of the Agreement, free of charge with no financial cost to COUNTY. Any costs incurred to complete this project in excess of the maximum not-to-exceed cost will be borne by the CONTRACTOR.
- 5.2 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 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 occur only with the COUNTY's express prior written approval.

### 6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - COUNTY

COUNTY Project Manager – The COUNTY Project Manager shall be responsible for monitoring and evaluating CONTRACTOR's performance in the daily operation of the Contract and provide direction to CONTRACTOR in the areas relating to policy, procedures and other matters within the purview of this Contract. The COUNTY Project Manager for this Contract shall be Caroline Torosis, or designee. All work performed under this Contract shall be subject to the approval of the COUNTY Project Manager or designee.

### 7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - CONTRACTOR

### 7.1 CONTRACTOR Project Manager

- 7.1.1 The CONTRACTOR Project Manager shall be responsible for the CONTRACTOR's day-to-day activities as related to this Contract and shall coordinate with COUNTY Project Manager on a regular basis. The CONTRACTOR Project Manager for this Contract shall be Diane Factor.
- 7.1.2 The CONTRACTOR shall notify the COUNTY in writing of any change in the name or address of the CONTRACTOR Project Manager.

### 7.2 Approval of CONTRACTOR's Staff

CONSULTANT shall provide qualified personnel to perform work and provide "work products" (deliverables) as indicated in the Agreement. 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 Project Manager.

### 7.3 Background and Security Investigations

- 7.3.1 At any time prior to or during term of this Contract, the COUNTY may require that all CONTRACTOR's staff performing work under this Contract undergo and pass, to the satisfaction of COUNTY, a background investigation, as a condition of beginning and continuing to work under this Contract. COUNTY shall use its discretion in determining the method of background clearance to be used, up to and including a COUNTY performed fingerprint security clearance. The fees associated with obtaining the background information shall be at the expense of the CONTRACTOR, regardless if the CONTRACTOR's staff passes or fails the background clearance investigation.
- 7.3.2 COUNTY may request that the CONTRACTOR's staff be immediately removed from working on the County Contract at any time during the term of this Contract. COUNTY will not provide to the CONTRACTOR nor to the CONTRACTOR's staff any information obtained through the COUNTY conducted background clearance.
- 7.3.3 COUNTY may immediately, at the sole discretion of the COUNTY, deny or terminate facility access to the CONTRACTOR's staff that do not pass such investigation(s) to the satisfaction of the COUNTY whose background or conduct is incompatible with COUNTY facility access.
- 7.3.4 Disqualification, if any, of the CONTRACTOR's staff, pursuant to this subparagraph 7.3, shall not relieve the CONTRACTOR of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

### 8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 8.1 AMENDMENTS

- 8.1.1 Any amendment to this Contract, including as set forth in Paragraph 4.0 Term of Contract, shall be at the mutual consent of the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR and shall be executed by the Chief Executive Officer, Auditor-Controller, and Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors, and approved as to form by County Counsel.
- 8.1.2 For any change which does not materially affect the scope of work or any other term or condition included under this Contract, a Change Notice shall be prepared and signed by the COUNTY Project Manager and CONTRACTOR Project Manager.
- 8.1.3 For any change affecting CONTRACTOR's project personnel, CONTRACTOR shall submit written notification and request to effect the change to the COUNTY Project Manager; the COUNTY Project Manager or designee may accept or reject CONTRACTOR's written notification and request.

### 8.2 ASSIGNMENTS AND DELEGATION

- 8.2.1 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, which is in its sole discretion to grant or not. Any attempted assignment or delegation without such written consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this sub-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 delegate 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.
- 8.2.2 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 an Amendment in accordance with all applicable provisions of this Contract, including the need for an Amendment.
- 8.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the CONTRACTOR's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any 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

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

COUNTY retains the right to renegotiate the terms, conditions and fees during the period of the Agreement if such renegotiation is necessitated by budget shortfalls and reductions.

### 8.5 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW

- 8.5.1 The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and directives, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 8.5.2 The CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees, arising from or related to any violation on the part of the CONTRACTOR or its employees, agents, or subcontractors of any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, or directives.

### 8.6 COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS

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.

### 8.7 COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

8.7.1 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.

- 8.7.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy
  - 8.7.2.1 Unless CONTRACTOR has demonstrated 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.

- 8.7.2.2 For purposes of this sub-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 \$50,000 or more in any 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 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 long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 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 sub-paragraph. The provisions of this subparagraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract Agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the Agreement.
- 8.7.2.3 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.
- 8.7.2.4 CONTRACTOR's violation of this sub-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.

#### 8.8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

8.8.1 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.

8.8.2 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 sub-paragraph shall be a material breach of this Contract.

# 8.9 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF/OR RE-EMPLOYMENT LIST

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.

### 8.10 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

- 8.10.1 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 qualified 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 to obtain a list of qualified GAIN/GROW job candidates.
- 8.10.2 In the event that both laid-off COUNTY employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, COUNTY employees shall be given first priority.

### 8.11 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

### 8.11.1 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.

### 8.11.2 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 years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Contracts the CONTRACTOR may have with the COUNTY.

## 8.11.3 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.

### 8.11.4 Contractor Hearing Board

- 8.11.4.1 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.
- 8.11.4.2 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.
- 8.11.4.3 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.
- 8.11.4.4 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.
- 8.11.4.5 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, and includes 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.
- 8.11.4.6 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.

### 8.11.4.7 Subcontractors of CONTRACTOR

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of COUNTY CONTRACTORS.

# 8.12 CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

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 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 in the Subcontractor's place of business. The COUNTY's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the CONTRACTOR with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at <a href="https://www.babysafela.org">www.babysafela.org</a>.

# 8.13 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

- 8.13.1 The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the COUNTY has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the COUNTY through Contract 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.
- 8.13.2 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).

# 8.14 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

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.

### 8.15 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

COUNTY or its agent will evaluate CONTRACTOR's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing CONTRACTOR's compliance with all Contract terms and performance standards. CONTRACTOR deficiencies which COUNTY determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Contract in jeopardy if not corrected, will be reported to the Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvements/corrective action measures taken by COUNTY and CONTRACTOR. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, COUNTY may terminate this Contract or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

# 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 FACSIMILE REPRESENTATIONS

The COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR hereby agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to subparagraph 8.1, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Contract, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

### 8.19 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

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 sub-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 sub-paragraph, 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 subparagraph 8.35 - Confidentiality.

### 8.23 INDEMNIFICATION

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 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

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 Sections 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.

### 8.24.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to COUNTY

A 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.

Renewal Certificates shall be provided to COUNTY not less than 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 Subcontractor insurance policies at any time.

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 (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any COUNTY required endorsement forms.

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.

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

County of Los Angeles Chief Sustainability Officer Service Integration Branch Attention: Gary Gero 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

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.

### 8.24.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its 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.

### 8.24.3 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.

### 8.24.4 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'S, deduct the premium cost from sums due to CONTRACTOR or pursue CONTRACTOR reimbursement.

### 8.24.5 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.

### 8.24.6 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.

### 8.24.7 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.

### 8.24.8 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.

### 8.24.9 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.

### 8.24.10 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.

8.24.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage:

CONTRACTOR 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.

### 8.24.12 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.

### 8.24.13 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.

8.24.14 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 REQUIREMENTS

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, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that COUNTY will receive not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation of this coverage provision. 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.

- 8.25.4 Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions Insurance covering CONTRACTOR's liability arising from or related to this Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate. Further, CONTRACTOR understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.
- 8.25.5 Privacy/Network Security (Cyber) Liability Insurance coverage providing protection against liability for (1) privacy breaches (liability arising from the loss or disclosure of confidential information no matter how it occurs); (2) system breach; (3) denial or loss of service; (4) introduction, implantation, or spread of malicious software code; (5) unauthorized access to or use of computer systems with limits of not less than \$10 million. No exclusion/restriction for unencrypted portable devices/media may be on the policy.

### 8.26 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- 8.26.1 If, in the judgment of the Department Head, or his/her designee, the CONTRACTOR is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Department Head, or his/her designee, at his/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 Department Head, or his/her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.
- If the Department Head, or his/her designee, determines that there are 8.26.2 deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the Department Head, or his/her designee, deems are correctable by the CONTRACTOR over a certain time span, the Department Head, or his/her designee, will provide a written notice to the CONTRACTOR to correct the deficiency within Should the CONTRACTOR fail to correct specified time frames. deficiencies within said time frame, the Department Head, or his/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 The parties hereby agree that under the current time frame.

circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is \$100 per day per infraction 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 sub-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 sub-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 Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) or sub-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 APPROVAL OF WORK

All tasks, "work products" (deliverables), services or other work performed by CONTRACTOR are subject to the written approval of the COUNTY Project Manager or designee. COUNTY shall review and comment on the deliverables required under Exhibit A, Statement of Work, of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall take all of COUNTY'S comments under consideration and address accordingly prior to COUNTY'S approval of the deliverables. COUNTY may review the deliverables for confidential information and request that such confidential information be removed prior to completion of deliverables and publication. Approval or rejection of deliverable(s) will not be unreasonably withheld by 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 sub-paragraph 8.28 when so requested by the COUNTY.
- 8.28.7 If the COUNTY finds that any provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.28 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 Practices 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

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

#### 8.30 NOTICE OF DELAYS

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

The CONTRACTOR shall bring to the attention of the COUNTY Project Manager any dispute between the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the COUNTY Project Manager is not able to resolve the dispute, the Department Head, or designee shall resolve it.

# 8.32 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT

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

The CONTRACTOR shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles COUNTY, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit F of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at <a href="https://www.babysafela.org">www.babysafela.org</a> for printing purposes.

### 8.34 NOTICES

8.34.1 Notices required or permitted to be given under the terms of this Contract or by any law now or hereafter in effect may, at the option of the party giving notice, be given by personal delivery or by enclosing the same in a sealed envelope addressed to the party for whom intended and by depositing such envelope with postage prepaid in the United States Post Office or substation thereof, or any public mail box.

The notices and envelopes containing same to COUNTY shall be addressed to:

County of Los Angeles Chief Sustainability Officer Service Integration Branch Attention: Gary Gero 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 The notices and envelopes containing same to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

Worker Education & Resource Center Attn: Diane Factor 1545 Wilshire Blvd., 5th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90017

8.34.2. In the event of suspension or termination of this Agreement, notices may also be given upon personal delivery to any person whose actual knowledge of such suspension or termination would be sufficient notice to CONTRACTOR.

### 8.35 CONFIDENTIALITY AND SECURITY

CONTRACTOR shall maintain the confidentiality of all its records, 8.35.1 including but not limited to billing, COUNTY records, case records and patient records, materials, documents, data, and/or other information received, obtained, transmitted, and/or produced under the provisions of this Contract ("COUNTY's Confidential Information") in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, regulations, ordinances and directives relating to confidentiality, including without limitation, COUNTY policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information. CONTRACTOR shall not disclose to any person or entity any information identifying, characterizing, or relating to any trait, feature, function, risk, threat, vulnerability, weakness, or problem regarding any data or system security in COUNTY'S computer system(s) nor any safeguard, counter-measure, contingency plan, policy, or procedure for any data or system security contemplated or implemented by COUNTY, without COUNTY'S prior written approval. CONTRACTOR shall comply with applicable security policies, procedures and requirements as set forth in this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall inform all of its officers, employees, and agents providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract. As a condition of employment, all employees of CONTRACTOR must sign and adhere to the attached Consultant Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement (Exhibit D). Further, CONTRACTOR shall cause each nonemployee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of the Consultant Non-Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement (Exhibit G). These Confidentiality Agreements shall be filed in CONTRACTOR's personnel records for the employees and agents and CONTRACTOR shall provide a copy to COUNTY upon request.

### 8.35.2 Information Security Requirements

a. Data Encryption. CONTRACTOR and any approved Subcontractors that electronically transmit or store personal information ("PI"), protected health information ("PHI") and/or medical information ("MI") shall comply with the encryption standards set forth below. PI is defined in California Civil Code Section 1798.29(g). PHI is defined in Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), and implementing regulations. MI is defined in California Civil Code Section 56.05(j).

- i. Stored Data. CONTRACTOR's and Subcontractors' workstations and portable devices (e.g., mobile, wearables, tablets, thumb drives, external hard drives) require encryption (i.e. software and/or hardware) in accordance with: (a) Federal Information Processing Standard Publication (FIPS) 140-2; (b) National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication 800-57 Recommendation for Key Management Part 1: General (Revision 3); (c) NIST Special Publication 800-57 Recommendation for Key Management Part 2: Best Practices for Key Management Organization; and (d) NIST Special Publication 800-111 Guide to Storage Encryption Technologies for End User Devices. Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) with cipher strength of 256-bit is minimally required.
- ii. Transmitted Data. All transmitted (e.g. network) COUNTY PI, PHI and/or MI require encryption in accordance with: (a) NIST Special Publication 800-52 Guidelines for the Selection and Use of Transport Layer Security Implementations; and (b) NIST Special Publication 800-57 Recommendation for Key Management Part 3: Application-Specific Key Management Guidance. Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) is minimally required with minimum cipher strength of 128-bit.
- iii. Certification. COUNTY must receive within ten (10) business days of its request, a certification from CONTRACTOR (for itself and any Subcontractors) that certifies and validates compliance with the encryption standards set forth above. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall maintain a copy of any validation/attestation reports that its data encryption product(s) generate and such reports shall be subject to audit in accordance with the Contract. Failure on the part of the CONTRACTOR to comply with any of the provisions of this Sub-paragraph 8.35.2 (Data Encryption) shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the COUNTY may terminate or suspend this Contract.
- b. Security Incident. A "Security Incident" shall mean the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification or interference with system operations in an information system, as such term is defined in 45 C.F.R. § 164.304.
  - CONTRACTOR will promptly notify (but in no event more than twenty-four (24) hours after the detection of a Security Incident) the designated COUNTY security contact by telephone and subsequently via written letter of any potential or actual security attacks or Security Incidents.

- ii. The notice shall include the approximate date and time of the occurrence and a summary of the relevant facts, including a description of measures being taken to address the occurrence. A Security Incident includes instances in which internal personnel access systems in excess of their user rights or use the systems inappropriately.
- iii. CONTRACTOR will provide a monthly report of all Security Incidents noting the actions taken. This will be provided via a written letter to the COUNTY security representative on or before the first (1st) week of each calendar month. COUNTY or its third-party designee may, but is not obligated, perform audits and security tests of CONTRACTOR's environment that may include, but are not limited to, interviews of relevant personnel, review of documentation, or technical inspection of systems, as they relate to the receipt, maintenance, use, retention, and authorized destruction of PI and County Confidential Information.
- iv. COUNTY reserves the right to view, upon request, summary results (i.e., the number of high, medium and low vulnerabilities) and related corrective action schedule for which CONTRACTOR has undertaken on its behalf to assess CONTRACTOR's own network security. If requested, copies of these summary results and corrective action schedule will be sent to the COUNTY security contact.

#### 8.35.3 Return of Confidential Information

On COUNTY's written request or upon expiration or termination of this Contract for any reason, CONTRACTOR will promptly: (a) return or destroy, at COUNTY's option, all originals and copies of all documents and materials it has received containing COUNTY's Confidential Information; (b) if return or destruction is not permissible under applicable law, continue to protect such information in accordance with the terms of this Contract; and (c) deliver or destroy, at COUNTY's option, all originals and copies of all summaries, records, descriptions, modifications, negatives, drawings, adoptions and other documents or materials, whether in writing or in machine-readable form, prepared by CONTRACTOR or, prepared under its direction, or at its request, from the documents and materials referred to in Sub-paragraph 8.35.1, and provide a notarized written statement to COUNTY certifying that all documents and materials referred to in Subsection 8.35.1 have been delivered to COUNTY or destroyed, as requested by COUNTY.

### 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 sub-paragraph 8.38 - Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement of this Contract; as well as any documents which were required to be

submitted in response to a Request for Proposals (RFP) if 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 that meet the exceptions set forth 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:
  - The CONTRACTOR shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
  - 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 Manager. The COUNTY 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 sub-paragraph 8.37 shall apply.

### 8.38 RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION/AUDIT SETTLEMENT

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.

- 8.38.1 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).
- 8.38.2 Failure on the part of the CONTRACTOR to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.38 shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the COUNTY may terminate or suspend this Contract.
- 8.38.3 If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five (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

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 written approval of the COUNTY. Any attempt by the CONTRACTOR to subcontract without first obtaining prior written approval and 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 to the COUNTY:
  - A description of the work to be performed by the Subcontractor;
  - A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
  - Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the COUNTY.
- 8.40.3 The CONTRACTOR shall indemnify 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 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.
- 8.40.7 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 set forth in this Contract.
- 8.41 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Failure of the CONTRACTOR to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in sub-paragraph 8.13 - 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 sub-paragraph 8.44 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of the CONTRACTOR, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

# 8.42 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX PROGRAM

Failure of CONTRACTOR to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in sub-paragraph 8.14 Contractor's 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 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.

# 8.43 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

- 8.43.1 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.
- 8.43.2 After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the COUNTY, the CONTRACTOR shall:
  - Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
  - Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- 8.43.3 After receipt of the Notice of Termination, CONTRACTOR shall submit to COUNTY, in the form and with the certifications as may be prescribed by COUNTY, its termination claim and invoice. Such claim and invoice shall be submitted promptly, but not later than three (3) months from the effective date of termination. Upon failure of CONTRACTOR to submit its termination claim and invoice within the time allowed, COUNTY may determine, on the basis of information available to COUNTY, the amount, if any, due to CONTRACTOR in respect to the termination and such determination shall be final. After such determination is made, COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR the amount so determined.
- 8.43.4 Subject to the provisions of the subparagraphs 8.43.1 and 8.43.2, above, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR shall negotiate an equitable amount to be paid to CONTRACTOR by reason of the total or partial termination of work pursuant to this Paragraph. Said amount may include a reasonable allowance for profit on work done but shall not include an allowance on work terminated. COUNTY shall pay the agreed amount; subject to other

limitations and provided that such amount shall not exceed the total funding obligated under this Agreement as reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made and as further reduced by the contract price of work not terminated.

8.43.5 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 sub-paragraph 8.38, Record Retention & Inspection/Audit Settlement.

### 8.44 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

- 8.44.1 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 Manager:
  - CONTRACTOR has materially breached this Contract; or
  - CONTRACTOR fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or
  - 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.
- 8.44.2 In the event that the COUNTY terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in sub-paragraph 8.44.1, 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 sub-paragraph.
- 8.44.3 Except with respect to defaults of any Subcontractor, the CONTRACTOR shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in subparagraph 8.44.2 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 8.44, the terms "Subcontractor" and "Subcontractors" mean Subcontractor(s) at any tier.

- 8.44.4 If, after the COUNTY has given notice of termination under the provisions of this paragraph 8.44, it is determined by the COUNTY that the CONTRACTOR was not in default under the provisions of this paragraph 8.44, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of subparagraph 8.44.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to paragraph 8.43 Termination for Convenience.
- 8.44.5 The rights and remedies of the COUNTY provided in this paragraph 8.44 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

## 8.45 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

- 8.45.1 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 as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.
- 8.45.2 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.
- 8.45.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

## 8.46 TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY

- 8.46.1 The COUNTY may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
  - 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;

- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the CONTRACTOR under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the CONTRACTOR; or
- The execution by the CONTRACTOR of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- 8.46.2 The rights and remedies of the COUNTY provided in this paragraph 8.46 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

## 8.47 TERMINATION FOR NON-ADHERENCE OF COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

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.

## 8.48 TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

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.

## 8.49 VALIDITY

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.

#### 8.50 WAIVER

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 8.50 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

#### 8.51 WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

- 8.51.1 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.
- 8.51.2 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.

## 8.52 COUNTY LOBBYISTS

Each County lobbyist as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by CONTRACTOR, shall fully comply with the COUNTY Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of any COUNTY lobbyist retained by CONTRACTOR to fully comply with the COUNTY Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which COUNTY may immediately terminate or suspend this Contract. 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 Agreement. CONTRACTOR warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which do or could create a conflict of interest. If CONTRACTOR hereafter becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to COUNTY. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances.

# 8.53 PROHIBITION FROM INVOLVEMENT IN THE BIDDING PROCESS OF FUTURE RFPs

CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that neither CONTRACTOR nor its subsidiaries shall be involved in any way in the bidding process on any Request for Proposals (RFPs) developed or prepared by or with the assistance of CONTRACTOR's services rendered pursuant to this Agreement, whether as a prime contractor or subconsultant, or as a contractor to any other prime contractor or subconsultant. Any such involvement by CONTRACTOR shall result in the rejection by COUNTY of the bid or proposal by the prime contractor in question.

## 8.54 PROPRIETARY RIGHTS

8.54.1 All materials, data, reports and other information of any kind obtained from COUNTY personnel, and all reports of any kind developed by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement are confidential to and are solely the property of COUNTY. CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary measures to protect the security and confidentiality of all such materials, data, reports and information. The provisions of this Paragraph shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Agreement.

CONTRACTOR'S State- and Federal- level data holdings that may be used to complete the tasks/deliverables described in Exhibit A, Statement of Work, of the Agreement, with permission of applicable data holders who have executed Data Use Agreements with the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR'S State- and Federal- level data holdings, records and other information accessed through Data Use Agreements and collected and analyzed by the CONTRACTOR for this Agreement are confidential to and are solely the property of CONTRACTOR. If COUNTY is involved in the direct handling and analysis of CONTRACTOR'S data holdings, their use will necessitate the execution in advance of a Data Use Agreement between COUNTY and CONTRACTOR.

- 8.54.2 In consideration of COUNTY'S support of the work performed pursuant to this Agreement, and to the extent CONTRACTOR is interested in potentially publishing parts of analysis conducted for this Agreement in peer-reviewed journals and/or books, the following three key protocols are applicable to the permissibility of publication:
  - i. Publication of any information and analysis that has already appeared in a publically-released report e.g. a report transmitted to the Board of Supervisors with a formal Board correspondence does not require additional clearance, provided the analysis itself has not been modified and/or the interpretation of the results has not been altered from what was presented in the initial report.
  - ii. Publication of any information and analysis based on work conducted for an official County project but that has not appeared in a publically-released report requires advance written approval and the prior consent from the COUNTY departments implicated in the analysis, their County Counsels, and the Chief Executive Office.
  - iii. Data collected and/or manipulated but not used in in a publicallyreleased report cannot be published without advance written approval and the prior consent by the COUNTY.

The COUNTY Chief Executive Office's Research and Evaluation Services (RES) unit is the custodian but not the owner of data received from COUNTY agencies and, as such, can neither approve publishing requests nor guarantee their approval. However, the RES unit will appropriately route all requests related to this Agreement. Any attempt by the CONTRACTOR to publish information and analyses conducted for this Agreement without first obtaining advance written approval and the prior consent of the COUNTY may be deemed a material breach of this Contract.

# 8.55 LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATES

CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations and certificates, if any, required by law, which are applicable to the performance of this Agreement, and shall further ensure that all of its officers, employees and agents who perform services hereunder obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all

licenses, permits, registrations and certificates required by law which are applicable to their performance of services hereunder.

#### 8.56 COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which so executed shall, irrespective of the date of its execution and delivery, be deemed an original, and all such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

## 8.57 TIME OFF FOR VOTING

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 10 days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractor 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.

# 8.58 COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking Policy 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.

 IN WITNESS THEREOF, COUNTY has caused this Contract to be executed by the Chief Executive Officer. CONSULTANT has caused this Contract to be executed by its duly authorized representative.

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Ву	
SACHI A. HAMAI Chief Executive Officer	Date
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LORI GLASGOW Executive Officer Board of Supervisors	JOHN NAIMO Auditor-Controller
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APPROVED AS TO FORM BY COUNTY COUNSEL	
MARY C. WICKHAM	
By	
Deputy County Counsel	
	By
	By Worker Education and Resources Center, Inc.
	Taxpayer Identification No

**EXHIBIT A** 

# STATEMENT OF WORK Workforce Development for the County of Los Angeles

Background:

The Worker Education and Resource Center, Inc. (WERC) is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization established in 2001 as a labor-management intermediary to plan and provide workforce development educational programs for employees of the County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services (DHS) represented by the Service Employees International Union Local 660 (now known as SEIU Local 721).

During this period, WERC executed strategic programs to address the nursing and other allied health occupational shortages by "growing our own" opportunities for LA County employees to succeed in workforce development programs, and promote into career pathways in high-demand industries. WERC provided academic and soft skills refresher programs, personal coaching and tutoring, and established contracts with community colleges and universities to provide the targeted programs. As a result of WERC's programs, hundreds of participants secured promotion into high demand occupations: approximately 420 new registered nurses, 250 medical record coders, 130 medical assistants, 15 MRI technicians, 10 Psychiatric Technicians, and smaller numbers of several other critically needed occupations.

Since 2010, WERC has partnered with DHS and the Department of Public Social Services to prepare employees with educational workshops for the implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

# Purpose and Objectives:

The purpose is to create a strategic plan for the implementation of excellent County workforce development services, including the design and implementation of critical pilot programs to address occupational shortages, improve equity and cultural competency, and improve County service delivery. The goal is to align these strategic County employment opportunities to targeted workers who experience unemployment, underemployment, or ongoing barriers to employment. Targeted workers are individuals with barriers to entry into the workforce and those included in the County's Local and Targeted Worker Policy.

General Scope of Work:

Under the direction of the COUNTY Project manager, CONSULTANT shall create a strategic plan for the implementation of excellent County of Los Angeles workforce development services. For the purposes of this Statement of Work, the County of Los Angeles shall be defined as all County departments and agencies. The strategic plan will address the County's need for recruitment and training that addresses high demand skills and job occupations across County departments, meets the demands of changing County priorities and policies, improves equity in key occupations, addresses aging out and

attrition among the existing workforce, and aligns strategic County employment opportunities with underserved communities and County residents who face barriers to employment.

CONSULTANT shall complete a strategic plan encompassing the following areas of work:

# **Future Workforce Needs**

Accounting for the future workforce needs of County departments, based on current staffing needs and changing County priorities and policies.

# Changes to County Service Delivery

Recommending changes to improve County service delivery, based on workforce needs and an assessment of existing recruitment and training programs.

# Improving Recruitment and Training

Improving recruitment and training for key occupations and skills required to build sustainable career paths, and align strategic County employment opportunities with communities and targeted workers who experience high rates of unemployment and underemployment.

COUNTY will provide support, information, and feedback to CONSULTANT on an asneeded basis.

COUNTY will assist CONSULTANT in connecting with relevant County stakeholders.

CONSULTANT will inventory County, state, and Federal priorities and policies that impact the demand for specific occupations and skills within County departments, and identify what these priorities and policies require in terms of current and future workforce recruitment and training.

CONSULTANT will convene focus group meetings with County departments' policy and operational staff to inform the work described in Deliverables 1 through 7 below.

CONSULTANT will interview relevant workforce development personnel including County staff involved in hiring and recruitment, members of the County's Workforce Development Board, and experts.

CONSULTANT will inventory existing recruitment, training, and hiring policies across County departments.

CONSULTANT will analyze available data on the County workforce and County contractors' workforce to determine the employment practices surrounding targeted populations.

CONSULTANT will review the County's current workforce development expenditures and activities, and compare them with the priorities of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and the County's internal employment needs.

# Deliverables:

All deliverables should include a written report submitted to the COUNTY Project Manager.

# Deliverable #1 - Scan of County Workforce Development Programs

An environmental scan of workforce development programs that are currently being offered by County departments identifying any overlap or duplication of services between departments in an effort to streamline service delivery.

# Deliverable #2 – Labor Market Analysis

A labor market analysis of Los Angeles County high demand skills and job occupations, accounting for the future needs of County departments, based on changing County priorities and policies

# Deliverable #3 - Equity Audit

An audit of key occupations in Los Angeles County Departments and their relative use of targeted worker populations.

# Deliverable #4 - County Contracts Audit

An audit of current contracts, identifying occupations and skills that the County itself could perform instead of the current practice of awarding certain contracts to third parties.

# Deliverable #5 - Pre-Employment Training and Support Services

An inventory of current workforce development and recruitment efforts used in relation to County employment, and proposals for improved pre-employment training and support services for underrepresented populations and those with significant barriers to employment.

# Deliverable #6 - Apprenticeship Performance Review

An apprenticeship performance review focusing on the Building Trades and recommendations for improvement, including suggestions for pre-apprenticeship recruitment and training.

# Deliverable #7 - Pilot Programs

Development of pilot programs for County and related occupations, including the Building Trades, which encompass the work described in Deliverables 1 through 6 above and includes a high-quality pre-employment training and support services program.

## Timeframe for Deliverables:

CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Deliverable #1 to the COUNTY Project Manager by September 1, 2017

CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Deliverable #2 to the COUNTY Project Manager by December 31, 2017.

CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Deliverable #3 to the COUNTY Project Manager by December 31, 2017.

CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Deliverable #4 to the COUNTY Project Manager by December 31, 2017.

CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Deliverable #5 to the COUNTY Project Manager by December 31, 2017.

CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Deliverable #6 to the COUNTY Project Manager by December 31, 2017.

CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Deliverable #7 to the COUNTY Project Manager by June 30, 2018.

CONSULTANT shall be available to provide oral briefing to the Board of Supervisors or Board staff through June 30, 2018.

**EXHIBIT B** 

# PRICING SCHEDULE

**CONTRACT COST/SET FEE: \$704,704** for services rendered consistent with Exhibit A, Statement of Work (SOW), of the Agreement, during the term of this Contract at the direction of the COUNTY Project Manager. CONTRACTOR has agreed to provide the services consistent with Exhibit A, SOW, of the Agreement, free of charge with no financial cost to COUNTY. Any costs incurred to complete this project shall be borne by CONTRACTOR.

# WORKER EDUCATION AND RESOURCE CENTER, INC. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM BUDGET: AUGUST 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

CEO BUDGET - FY1718	FTE	SALARY	TOTAL
WERC Personnel			
Director	0.40	138,010	55,204
Associate Director	0.80	90,000	72,000
Program Analyst	1.00	90,000	90,000
County Initiatives Program Manager	1.00	73,998	73,998
Project Lead	0.80	65,467	52,374
Operations Manager	0.40	87,763	35,105
HR Manager	0.40	82,600	33,040
Bookkeeper	0.40	26,000	10,400
Benefits @ 32 %		,	135,079
Total WERC Personnel			557,200
Consultant(s)	1		
TBD	1.00	80,000	80,000
Total Consultants			80,000

Non-Personnel	
Office Supplies & Material	2,000
Travel & Mileage	1,440
Total Non-Personnel	3,440
Total Direct Costs	640,639
Indirect Costs @ 10%	64,064
Program Total	704,704

**EXHIBIT C** 

# **CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION**

Con	tractor Name		
001	tractor ivanic		
Add	ress		
Inte	rnal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number		
	GENERAL CERTIFICATION		
sup sub bec	occordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the Countrollier, or vendor certifies and agrees that all persons emploidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equal ause of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex a trimination laws of the United States of America and the State	loyed by such ly by the firm v and in compli	n firm, its affiliates without regard to o
	CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFIC	ATIONS	
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 □
Aut	horized Official's Printed Name and Title		
Aut	horized Official's Signature	Date	34

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# CONSULTANT EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

# General Information Your employer, \_\_\_\_\_, has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide various services to the County. Therefore, we need your signature on this consultant employee acknowledgment and confidentially agreement. **Employer Acknowledgment** I understand that is my sole employer for purposes of this Agreement. I understand and agree that I am not an employee of Los Angeles County for any purpose and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles during the period of this employment. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits pursuant to any agreement between my employer, \_\_\_\_\_, and the County of Los Angeles. (Initial and date) Confidentiality Agreement As an employee of \_\_\_\_\_, you may be involved with work pertaining to County services, and, if so, you may have access to confidential data pertaining to persons and/or entities represented by the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all confidential data in its possession, especially data concerning health, criminal and welfare recipient as well as that protected by the attorney/client privilege. Consequently, you must sign this Confidentiality Agreement for the County of Los Angeles. Please read the attached Agreement and take due time to consider it prior to signing.

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# CONSULTANT EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person, data obtained while performing work pursuant to the contract between and the County of Los Angeles.		
I agree to forward all requests for the release of information received by me to my immediate supervisor.		
I have been informed by my employer of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3 (Commencing with 6150) of the California Business and Professions Code (i.e. State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitations as a runner or capper for attorneys) which states:		
" It is unlawful for any person, in his individual capacity or in his capacity as a public or private employee, or for any firm, corporation or partnership or association to act as a runner or capper for any such attorneys to solicit any business for such attorneys"		
I have also been informed by my employer of Labor Code Section 3219 (i.e. provisions stating it is a felony to offer compensation to claims adjusters and/or for adjusters to accept compensation) which states:		
" any person acting individually or through his or her employee or agents, who offers or delivers any rebate, refund, commission, preference, patronage, dividend, discount, or other consideration to any adjuster of claims for compensation, as defined in Section 3207, as compensation, inducement, or reward for the referral or settlement of any claim, is guilty of a felony"		
I agree to report any and all violations of the above by any other person and/or by myself to my immediate supervisor, and I agree to ensure that said supervisor reports such violation to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Human Resources. I agree to return all confidential materials to my immediate supervisor upon termination of my employment with or upon completion of the presently assigned work task, whichever occurs first.		
I acknowledge that violation of this Agreement & Acknowledgment may subject me to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles will seek all possible legal redress.		
Signature Dated		
Printed Name		
Position/Title		

**EXHIBIT E** 

# INVITATION FOR BID/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL GROUNDS FOR REJECTION

Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.180.010, Certain Contracts Prohibited, sets forth, among other things, the following:

Notwithstanding any other section of this Code, the County shall not contract with, and shall reject any bid or proposal submitted by the persons or entities specified below, unless the Board of Supervisors finds that special circumstances exist which justify the approval of such contract:

- a) Employees of the County or of public agencies for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body;
- b) Profit making firms or businesses in which employees described in subsection (a) serve as officers, principals, partners or major shareholders;
- c) Persons who, within the immediately preceding twelve (12) months, came within the provisions of subsection (a), and who (1) were employed in positions of substantial responsibility in the area of service to be performed by the Consultant, or (2) participated in any way in developing the Contract or its service specifications; and
- d) Profit making firms or businesses in which the former employees described in subsection (c) serve as officers, principals, partners or major shareholders.

Consultant hereby certifies that personnel who developed and/or participated in the preparation of the Contract do not fall within the scope of Code Section 2.180.010 as outlined above.

Typed Name and Title of Signer		
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Signature	Date	

**EXHIBIT F** Safely Surrendered

Baby Law Babies can be safely surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723 www.babysatela.org

# Safely Surrendered Baby Law



Babies can be safely surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County

# What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safety 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 haby 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 haby 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?

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In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723

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 business reply 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 patents 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 bahy'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 haby 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.

**EXHIBIT G** 

### CONSULTANT NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Consultant Name	Contract No.	
Non-Employee Name		

# **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The Consultant referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Consultant Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

# NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that the Consultant referenced above has exclusive control for purposes of the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon the Consultant referenced above for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract.

I understand and agree that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I 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. I understand and agree that I do not have and 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.

I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced contract is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future contract.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I 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. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by the above-referenced Consultant for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken due time to consider it prior to signing.

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract between the above-referenced

Consultant and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the above-referenced Consultant.

I 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, Consultant proprietary information, and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to or by me under the above-referenced contract. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than the above-referenced Consultant or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to the above-referenced Consultant any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the above-referenced Consultant upon completion of this contract or termination of my services hereunder, whichever occurs first.

SIGNATURE:	
PRINTED NAME:	
POSITION:	