



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
29.		Other	SHERI M BOYD	<p>Dear Board Members,</p> <p>I am writing to provide comments and seek clarification on the REAS-RFSQ2024 - Refugee Employment and Acculturation Services contract. Specifically, I would like to inquire whether individuals are eligible to apply for this contract as independent contractors.</p> <p>It is my understanding that the current eligibility criteria may primarily favor business entities and nonprofit organizations. However, I believe that allowing qualified individuals to apply as independent contractors could significantly broaden the reach and effectiveness of the services provided. Independent contractors often bring unique skills, flexibility, and personal commitment that can greatly benefit refugee employment and acculturation efforts.</p> <p>I propose amending the RFP to loosen restrictions and include qualified individuals, allowing services to take place in community settings where individuals already receive support, such as co-located behavioral health clinics, community centers, or public library meeting rooms. This adjustment would enhance the diversity of service providers and ensure that the program can tap into a wider pool of talent. This approach could lead to more innovative and personalized services, which are crucial for the successful integration and support of refugees.</p> <p>I urge the Board to consider these suggestions and explore the potential benefits of allowing independent contractors to participate in the REAS-RFSQ2024 contract.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and consideration.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Sheri M. Boyd L.A. County Vendor #218653</p>
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