



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Justice Advisory Council

Vendor: South Suburbs, Illinois

Request: ~~Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to renew contract~~ Authorization for the Avik Das, Executive Director of Cook County Justice Advisory Council to renew contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Social Services for Suburban Youth and Adults

Original Contract Period: 12/1/2020 - 11/30/2021, with one (1) year renewal option

Proposed Amendment Type: Renewal

Proposed Contract Period: 11/1/2020-10/31/2021

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$1,200,000.00

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): N/A, Board Approval Required for Renewal, Original Contract \$1,200,000

Increase Requested: N/A

Previous Board Increase(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s): N/A

Previous Board Renewals: N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Renewals: N/A

Previous Board Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Extension(s): N/A

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2021 \$1,200,000.00

Accounts: 11100.1499.33915.521313

Contract Number(s):

Safer Foundation, South Suburban Adult Services, 1205-2210A, \$100,000.00

OAI, Inc., South Suburban Adult Services, 1205-2210B, \$100,000.00

Neighboring Housing Services, South Suburban Adult Services, 1205-2210C, \$100,000.00

Moran Center for Youth, South Suburban Adult Services, 1205-2210D, \$100,000.00

Healthcare Alternative Systems, South Suburban Adult Services, 1205-2210E, \$100,000.00
BEDS Plus Care, South Suburban Adult Services, 1205-2210F, \$100,000.00
National Youth Advocacy Program, South Suburban Youth Services, 1205-2207A, \$100,000.00
Family Focus, South Suburban Youth Services, 1205-2207B, \$100,000.00
Pathways to Adventure, South Suburban Youth Services, 1205-2207C, \$100,000.00
Vision of Restoration, South Suburban Youth Services, 1205-2207D, \$100,000.00
Reflections Foundation, South Suburban Youth Services, 1205-2207E, \$100,000.00
River Oaks Community Ed, South Suburban Youth Services, 1205-2207F, \$100,000.00

Concurrences:

N/A

N/A

Summary: The Justice Advisory Council (JAC) respectfully submits this request to renew twelve (12) professional services agreements with the listed organizations, in an amount totaling \$1,200,000, to deliver the following services to South Suburban youth and adults:

Beds Plus Care, LaGrange, Illinois

BEDS Plus will provide medium-term tenant-based rental assistance on a progressive engagement model, coupled with tapered case management support for up to twelve months. Housing services include navigating the housing application process, locating an apartment, and six to nine months of rental assistance and continued supportive services.

Service Area: Towns and villages within Lyons, Proviso, Stickney, Worth, Palos and Berwyn Townships

Family Focus, Chicago, Illinois

Family Focus has three main priorities in Youth Development as the key to academically prepared, socially responsible, and emotionally stable young adults. These are STEM training, mental health workshops and mentoring, and creative writing opportunities.

Service Area: Evanston, Skokie, Morton Grove

Healthcare Alternative Systems, Chicago, Illinois

Healthcare Alternative Systems (HAS) will provide programs for substance use and mental health crisis through its Living Room in Broadview. There is no limit on the number of times an individual can visit The Living Room, but the program's goals include developing a wellness plan and connecting visitors to a therapist for long-term support.

Service Area: Broadview and Melrose Park

Moran Center for Youth, Evanston, Illinois

Young adults within Moran Center's holistic criminal defense practice engage with a social worker to address emotional and mental health concerns, substance abuse, anger management, family problems, and to provide comprehensive case management. Depending on the situation, the social worker may remain involved for a brief period until a needed resource is secured, or in some cases for a year or more when a client experiences ongoing struggles and is in need of continuing support.

Service Area: City of Evanston

National Youth Advocate Program, Matteson, Illinois

The CANEI (Constant and Never Ending Improvement) South Suburban Program is a 6-month, strength-based treatment program that teaches individuals how to live in and respect the community they call home and to develop compassion and empathy for the people close to them and others. Through intensive, home-based services, group-based sessions and a multi-dimensional approach, Employment Training, Life Skills Training, and Service Learning Projects, CANEI participants transform themselves by cultivating a sense of self, purpose and responsibility.

Service Area: Markham, Dolton, Riverdale, Harvey

Neighborhood Housing Services, Chicago, Illinois

Through Group-Based Education and Individual Counseling, Neighborhood Housing Services targets families, individuals, renters, seniors, veterans, homeowners, community business owners, youth and aspiring entrepreneurs, to achieve three key aims that directly address poverty and societal justice: encouraging financial self-sufficiency to create generational wealth; eliminating racial wealth gap barriers by creating homeownership; eliminating racial wealth gap barriers by maintaining homeownership.

Service Area: Alsip, Blue Island, Burnham, Calumet City, Calumet Park, Chicago Heights, Crestwood, Dixmoor, Dolton, East Hazel Crest, Evergreen Park, Flossmoor, Ford Heights, Glenwood, Harvey, Hazel Crest, Homewood, Lansing, Lynwood, Markham, Matteson, Merrionette Park, Midlothian, Oak Forest, Oak Lawn, Olympia Fields, Orland Hills, Orland Park, Park Forest, Posen, Richton Park, Riverdale, Robbins, Sauk Village, South Chicago Heights, South Holland, Thornton, Tinley Park

OAI, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

OAI is a nationally recognized pioneer in workforce development with a mission to provide training that leads to safe, meaningful employment while helping companies and communities to thrive. In alignment to OAI's mission, the Transportation and Healthcare Career Pathway (THCP) program will provide in-demand skills training coupled with wrap-around comprehensive, measurable business and job seeker services to ensure that a minimum of 30 Southland residents gain safe, meaningful employment with local employers.

Service Area: Robbins, Riverdale, Dolton, Calumet City, Harvey, Chicago Heights, Park Forest, Markham, Matteson, Country Club Hills, Blue Island, Calumet Park, Ford Heights, Sauk Village, Lynwood, Lansing, South Holland, Steger, Posen

Pathways to Adventure Council, Boy Scouts of America, Arlington Heights, Illinois

The Pathway to Adventure Council, Boy Scouts of America (PATC) will offer Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, and Exploring for youth up to age 26 in Suburban Cook County. A hallmark of the Scouting program, youth will learn and be able to demonstrate mastery of new skills.

Service Area: Blue Island, Calumet City, Chicago Heights, Crestwood, Dolton, Harvey, Homewood, Lansing, Matteson, Midlothian, Oak Forest, Orland Hills, Orland Park, Park Forest, Sauk Village, Steger, Tinley Park

Reflections Foundation/Polished Pebbles, Chicago, Illinois

Polished Pebbles provides group mentoring to all girls, but especially girls who experience truancy, exhibit problematic behavior, and have poor academic outcomes. PP is designed to facilitate the development of effective communication, conflict resolution, and soft skills to allow our girls to better avoid being victims or perpetrators of violence; improve behavior and truancy at school; communicate respectfully and peacefully with teachers, peers, and family; and succeed in school.

Service Area: Harvey, Dolton, Riverdale

River Oaks Community Education and Development (ROCED), South Holland, Illinois

This initiative will take writing, music and other creative expression to expand and amplify the voices of our young people during these turbulent times. This program aims to allow young people to express themselves through creative platforms, so they will not express those issues through violence.

Service Area: Calumet City, Dolton, Harvey, Lansing, Phoenix, South Holland, Thornton

Safer Foundation, Chicago, Illinois

Safer Foundation participants will be connected to the following services: Pathway Placement, whether they are Job Ready, need Transitional Employment, or need Supportive Services; Career Services, where participants are scheduled in a 3-5 day Safer job Skills training class; Career Progression and Retention Services, where program staff provide support, counseling, and advice as well as access to supportive and transitional services as needed during and after job placement.

Service Area: Bloom, Bremen, Calumet, Orland, Rich, and Thornton Townships

Vision of Restoration, Maywood, Illinois

Vision of Restoration Youth Services program was established to address youth violence and targeted needs of at-risk

youth, reduce risk factors such as drug use, school drop-out, and exposure to violence, and increase protective factors such as educational enhancements, mentoring, and sports. They collaborate with partners to address violence through prevention and intervention strategies, after school enhancement program, mentoring, basketball leagues and summer camps, and youth leadership and development.

Service Area: Maywood, Bellwood, Broadview, Westchester, Forest Park, Hillside, Melrose Park, North Riverside, Cicero