



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Adult Probation and Juvenile Probation and Court Services Departments, Circuit Court of Cook County

**Vendor:** Sentinel Offender Services, LLC, Irvine, California

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to extend and increase contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Electronic Monitoring Services-GPS Technology

**Original Contract Period:** 3/1/2013 - 2/28/2016, with two (2) one (1) year renewal options

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** 3/1/2018 - 5/31/2018

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$5,810,233.00

**Original Approval (Board or Procurement):** 2/5/2013, \$3,638,728.00

**Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s):** (2/10/2016, 3/1/2016 - 2/28/2017 \$1,035,000.00); (1/18/2017, 3/1/2017 - 2/28/2018, \$1,136,505.00)

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

**This Increase Requested:** \$311,000.00

**Potential Fiscal Impact:** FY 2018 \$311,000.00

**Accounts:** (1280-550128 Rental and Leasing NOC \$162,000.00); (1326-540130 Operation, Maintenance and Repair of Institutional Equipment \$149,000.00)

**Contract Number(s):** 11-45-048B

#### **Concurrences:**

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance via direct participation with partial MBE and full WBE waiver.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

**Summary:** This three month extension would allow Sentinel Offender services, LLC to continue to provide electronic monitoring and Global Positioning System (GPS) services for the Adult Probation Department and Juvenile Probation and Court Services Department for minor and adult clients who are ordered by the court to wear electronic monitoring devices. Sentinel provides GPS monitoring equipment and services for adult probationers and pretrial defendants in order to comply with Public Act 95-0773, also known as the Cindy Bischof Law, which calls for the monitoring of certain domestic violence offenders through GPS technology. The law allows the court to order adults charged with certain domestic violence offenses to be monitored electronically by the Adult Probation Department Home Confinement Unit as

a condition of bail or probation. Offenders are ordered to wear a GPS tracking device to help monitor compliance with orders to stay away from the complaining witness, the complaining witness's home/workplace, or any other protected address specified. There are currently more than 210 adults under GPS monitoring and 110 victims who carry GPS devices to create mobile exclusion zones. Effective on 1/1/2015, new legislation (Public Act 98-1012, 725 ILCS 5/110-5) significantly expanded the types of charges required to be considered for GPS monitoring as a condition of bail.

GPS technology is used by the Juvenile Probation and Court Services Department to monitor high-risk youth in home confinement as an alternative to secure detention or as a condition of release into the community. These devices are deployed at various points of the judicial process from pre- adjudication through post-dispositional stages of court proceedings. For the month of November 2017, there were 381 court-involved youth under GPS electronic surveillance, 55% of whom are on pretrial status. .

A new Request for Proposal process is concluding for a new contract. The extension provides a brief period of time as a contingency to transition services to a new provider.

The contract was awarded through the Request for Proposals (RFP) process in accordance with the CookCounty Procurement Code. Sentinel Offender Services, LLC. was awarded this contract based on established evaluation criteria