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#### ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 JULY 11, 2019

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

# SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION SERVICES CHICAGO AREA INTERPRETER REFERRAL SERVICE (CAIRS) OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS DISTRICT WIDE

#### THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair, upon final approval of the General Counsel as to the legal form of such agreements, to authorize the execution of an agreement with Chicago Area Interpreter Referral Service (CAIRS) for sign language interpretation services, for the period from August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2021, at a total cost not to exceed \$450,000.

**VENDORS:** Chicago Area Interpreter Referral Service (CAIRS)

4801 Southwick Drive

Suite 610

Matteson, Illinois 60443

**USER:** District Wide

#### TERM:

The term of this agreement shall begin on August 1, 2019 and continue through July 31, 2021 with an option to renew for an additional one (1) year period.

#### **SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Chicago Area Interpreter Referral Service (CAIRS) will provide sign language interpretation services for students, staff, and events open to the public as needed.

#### **BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:**

Sign language interpretation is a requirement to meet accessibility standards and federal guidance for the deaf and hard of hearing community. The CAIRS will provide adjunct service to complement existing staff sign language services.

## **VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Specifications prepared by District Office Procurement staff were publicly advertised May 6, 2019 as a Request for Sealed Bid #SN1902. The bid was sent to eight (8) vendors and a pre-bid conference was held on May 10, 2019, after which responsive and responsible bids were received on May 24, 2019 from the following four (4) vendors: 1) Chicago Hearing Society – a division of Anixter Center, 2) Sorenson Communications, LLC, 3) Hi-5 Access Interpreting and Communication Services, and 4) Chicago Area Interpreter Referral Service (CAIRS).

Services	Sorenson Communications	Hi-5 Access	CHS Anixter	CAIRS
Standard hourly rate	\$72.00/hr.	\$73.95/hr.	\$58.00/hr.	\$54.00/hr.
Standard rate for no-shows	\$72.00/hr.	\$73.95/hr.	\$58.00/hr	\$54.00/hr.
Rate for 2 interpreters and beyond	\$72.00/hr. each	\$73.95/hr. each	\$58.00/hr. each	\$54.00/hr. each
One interpreter for two hours	\$144.00	\$147.90	\$116.00	\$108.00
Team interpreters for an event 2+ hrs.	\$144.00/hr.	\$147.90/hr.	\$116.00/hr.	\$108/hr.
After business hours rate	\$80.00/hr.	\$93.95/hr.	\$126.00/hr.	\$54.00/hr.
Weekend rate	\$80.00/hr.	\$93.95/hr.	\$150.00/hr.	\$54.00/hr.
Additional time request	Billed in 15 min. increments	\$73.95/hr.	\$29.00/half hour	\$54.00/hr.
Emergency fee	\$25 add-on fee to hourly rates stated	\$110/hr.	\$50 add-on fee; in 2 business days + travel	\$60 add-on fee
Healthcare setting interpretation	\$74.00/hr.	\$76.00/hr.	\$60.00/hr.	\$62.00/hr.
Cancellations				
Rate for cancellation within 12 hr. notice	100% of svc. amount	100% of svc. amount	\$116.00	\$54.00/hr.
Rate for cancellation within 24 hr. notice	100% of svc. amount	80% of svc. amount	\$116.00	\$54.00/hr.
Rate for cancellation after 24 hr. notice	No charge	60% of svc. amount	\$116.00	\$54.00/hr.

The lowest responsible bidder, CAIRS, has been recommended for award to provide sign language interpretation services District wide.

## MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:

Procurement Services has reviewed the proposed recommendation above and has determined that CAIRS is in compliance with the intent of the Board-approved Participation Plan. The determination is based on limited subcontracting opportunities, the acceptance of credit for indirect MBE/WBE participation as well as documented efforts supporting a request waiver.

Vendor	MBE or	<u>% or</u>	<u>Participation</u>	Certifying
	WBE	\$ spend		<u>Agency</u>
Excel Answering Service	MBE	\$3,000	Indirect with	State of Illinois
5742 South Pulaski Rd			partial waiver	CMS
Chicago, IL 60629				
Daniels Printing	WBE	\$1,500	Indirect with	State of Illinois
14800 South Cicero			partial waiver	CMS
Oak Forest, IL 60452				

#### **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General's authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board's Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

#### **FINANCIAL**

**Total:** \$450,000

Charge to: Office of Academic and Student Affairs

**Source of Funds:** Education Fund **FY20:** 530000-00003-0000144-80000

Respectfully submitted,

Juan Salgado Chancellor

July 11, 2019 - Office of Academic and Student Affairs