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BOARD OF TRUSTEES - COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 - NOVEMBER 4, 2021

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

CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR "STILL I RISE" PROGRAM
CENTER FOR NEW HORIZONS
Department of Urban Agriculture
Olive-Harvey College

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 Centers for New Horizons to provide wraparound services, including case management services to participants of the Olive-Harvey College program "Still I Rise" for the period commencing no sooner than from December 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 at a cost of \$500,000.

VENDOR: Center for New Horizons
4150 S. King Dr.
Chicago, IL 60653

USER: Olive-Harvey College

TERM:

The term of this agreement shall begin no sooner than December 1, 2021 and shall end on September 30, 2022, with one (1) additional one (1) year options to renew periods.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Center for New Horizons will provide case management services in the field of violence prevention to Olive Harvey Cannabis Education "Still I Rise" program. The goal of the proposed program is to prevent violence by providing wraparound services and free cannabis education certification to individuals with violence involvement who have cannabis records, allowing them to obtain a living wage job in the legal cannabis market. They will provide wraparound services to Participants, including:

- Case management
- Mentorship
- Educational supports
- Mental health services (CBT)
- Cannabis record expungement

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:

This initiative will train and educate returning citizens in the growing cannabis industry. Individuals who have been justice involved have a much harder time entering the cannabis industry and require specific assistance around expungement, navigating state requirements for badging and educational barriers. This program will lift up a marginalized population that has been disproportionately affected by the War on Drugs. The training and subsequent case management will address the student as a whole and ensure they are successful after

leaving our training program. This initiative directly aligns with CCC's mission for equitable programs and ensuring everyone has access to education, jobs and the ability to earn a living wage.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:

Specifications were prepared by District Procurement Staff in conjunction with Olive Harvey College and Request for Proposals (RFP) #SH2106 were publicly advertised on on July 23, 2021 in the Chicago Sun-Times and was posted on CCC's Procurement site on that same date. The RFP was sent to seven (7) companies and a pre-proposal conference was held on July 29, 2021. The following three (3) companies submitted Proposals, which were due on August 20, 2021: 1) Children's Home & Aid; 2) Centers for New Horizon; and 3) SGA Youth and Family Services

The evaluation committee members individually scored each proposal based on the evaluation criteria in the RFP:

1. Qualifications and Experience of the organization; with special interest in organizations qualifications with regards to providing wraparound services for individuals most impacted by violence, including recidivism rates and success in current programs
2. Proposer's plan of action for the execution/implementation of services
3. Portfolio of past work
4. Cost Proposal
5. MBE/WBE compliance

All proposals were reviewed and evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria. The evaluation committee asked clarifying questions to each proposer. Based on the evaluations, the evaluation team recommends proceeding with Center for New Horizons. Center for New Horizons demonstrated experience with large and small projects and has a background in providing these type of services to justice involved individuals. Center for New Horizons proposed realistic case management abilities with a good time frame and an engaging and interactive learning model. Finally, Center for New Horizons proposal demonstrated a diverse client list and flexibility in models of service across its portfolio to meet the outcome of the "Still I Rise" program.

MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:

Procurement Services has reviewed the proposed agreement and recommends a waiver of the Board Approved Participation Plan due to the nature of services ("case management services provided to participants in the Still I Rise Program").

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: \$500,000

Charge to: Olive-Harvey College

Sources of Funds: Grant Fund - Violence Prevention
grant 530000-21000-5030400-80000-00000

Respectfully submitted,

**Juan Salgado
Chancellor**

November 4, 2021 – Department of Urban Agriculture, Olive-Harvey College