# APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR VIOLENCE INTERRUPTION FOR OVERSIGHT SERVICES OF THE PROJECT BRIDGE PROGRAM

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with the National Center for Violence Interruption (NCVI) for oversight services of the Project Bridge Program for the Office of Specialized Services at a cost not to exceed \$388,300. NCVI was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to a duly advertised Request for Proposals (specification #02-250223). A written agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to NCVI prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No. 02-250223

Contract Administrator: Pamela Seanior 553-2254

**VENDOR:** National Center for Violence Interruption

10 West 35th Street Chicago, IL 60616 Leo Hayden (312) 225-2136 (Vendor #31118)

**USER:** Office of Specialized Services

125 South Clark Street 8th Floor

Linda Goodwin Chicago, IL 60603 (773) 535-0807 ext. 175

**TERM:** This agreement is for a term commencing December 1, 2003 and ending March 31, 2005, which term coincides with the Federal funding period. Upon mutual agreement, the parties shall have the option to renew the agreement on an annual basis for two additional 12-month periods.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board may terminate this agreement with 30 days prior written notice.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM:** Project Bridge is a program which provides transitional services, including educational, vocational, and counseling services to juvenile offenders who are being released from the Illinois Department of Corrections Juvenile Correctional Facilities, the Cook County Juvenile Detention Center, and the Cook County Jail. Currently, the Board estimates that at least half of this population (approximately 2,500 youths) will fail to reenter school upon release. The Program will provide options to assist those high-risk juveniles in transition from detention to obtaining an alternative educational/vocational plan by offering services and training in basic life skills, socio-emotional support services. counseling and mental health screens. One hundred percent of project participants will be screened for mental health and substance abuse, HIV/AIDS awareness education and other appropriate services. One hundred percent of participants successfully completing the program will have a transition plan that will be tracked for six months.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Vendor shall provide the following services:

- 1. Education (literacy) Involving participants in self-paced language and reading skills development activities;
- Creative Arts Involving participants in artistic activities;
- 3. Life Skills/Vocational Training Involving participants in life management skills related to job readiness;
- 4. Parental Involvement Involving parents, guardians or family members in the support of the participants progress and achievement;
- 5. Intense Mentoring Involves insuring attendance, program participation, program follow-up activities and outreach by building a relationship and staying involved with the Program participants;
- 6. Transportation Involving the provision of transportation for participants in order to eliminate the fear and danger associated with crossing gang boundaries which will assist in improving attendance;
- 7. Transition Plan Providing options to participants upon completion of the program;
- 8. Meals Including breakfast and lunch every day that the Program is in session;
- 9. Support Services Program participation incentives

#### **DELIVERABLES:**

- 1. Vendor shall provide the Program site, which must be located within the City of Chicago, appropriate staff, and technology to support the program.
- 2. Vendor shall convene quarterly meetings of the Advisory Board to review program design and strategies.
- 3. Vendor shall provide database reports that reflect enrollment, attendance, referrals, home visit and individual student progress and other reports the Board and the vendor identify on a monthly basis.
- 4. Vendor shall provide on-going development and implementation of intervention strategies and policy changes for appropriate agencies.
- Vendor shall develop and provide linkages with agencies that provide job skills and placement and/or vocational training to the target population.
- 6. Vendor shall provide a Transition Plan for all participants who successfully complete the Program.
- 7. Vendor shall conduct one (1) home visit for every participant during each 10-week Program Session.
- Vendor shall provide seven mentors for the Intensive Mentoring component.
- 9. Vendor shall provide private transportation for participants to join in all Program activities

**COMPENSATION**: This project is being funded through the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant. The vendor shall be paid in accordance with the payment policies and practices of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. Payment terms include an initial cash request for start up costs equal to the first quarter's payment and quarterly billings based on invoices submitted and approved; total compensation shall not exceed \$388,300.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include: 35% total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE.

However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends that a *partial* waiver of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract as required by the Revised Remedial Plan be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible.

The vendor has, however, identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

Total MBE: 30.5%

**Total African American: 19.3%** 

Tony Goodwin P.O. Box 64776 Chicago, IL 60664	\$9,000.00	2.3%
	Independent Consultant	
Quentin Land 4001 W. 95 <sup>th</sup> St., Suite 201 Oak Lawn, IL 60453	\$5,000.00	1.3%
	Independent Consultant	
Beverly Nicholson 4655 S. King Dr. Chicago, IL 60453	\$10,000.00	1.3%
	Independent Consultant	
Tanya Walls 5905 W. Ohio Chicago, IL 60644	\$15,000.00	4.5%
	Independent Consultant	
Frank Collaso 7115 W. North Ave. Oak Park, IL 60302	\$10,000.00	2.6%
	Independent Consultant	

Ray Fleming 1837 N. Austin Chicago, IL 60639	\$13,000.00	2.6%
	Independent Consultant	
Frank Muhammad 1743 E. 78 <sup>th</sup> St.	\$10,000.00	2.6%
Chicago, IL 60649	Independent Consultant	
Total Hispanic: 9%		
Gabriela Ochoa	\$1,260.00	.03%
2552 S. St. Louis Ave. Chicago, IL 60623	Independent Consultant	
Hugo Godinez 2633 W. 24 <sup>th</sup> PL.	\$34,000.00	8.7%
Chicago, IL 60603	Independent Consultant	
Total WBE: .03%		
Pamela Purdie 1000 S. Austin	\$1,260.00	.03%
Oak Park, IL 60304	Independent Consultant	

**LSC REVIEW:** Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of Specialized Services Fiscal Year: 2004

Budget Classification: The Budget class will be determined at the time of the award of the grant. Source of Funds: Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority through the Chicago Police Department

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34 21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s) and funding agency approval.

**Approved for Consideration:** 

Heather A. Crossley Chief Purchasing Officer **Arne Duncan** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Within Appropriation:

John Maiorca Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:

Ruth M. Moscovitch General Counsel