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February 21, 2012

### **NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROGRAM (2011-AN042)**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Public Works requests proposals for the contract for Charter Bus Transportation Services Program (2011-AN042). The total aggregate contract amount of this program is estimated to be \$2,000,000. The Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) with contract specifications, forms, and instructions for preparing and submitting proposals may be accessed at <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/asd/contracts> or may be requested from Ms. Janet Lee at (626) 458-7167 or [jalee@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:jalee@dpw.lacounty.gov), Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR ANY CHANGES TO THIS SOLICITATION. ALL ADDENDA AND INFORMATIONAL UPDATES WILL BE POSTED AT <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/asd/contracts>. PROPOSERS ARE ADVISED TO CHECK THIS LINK ON A WEEKLY BASIS FOR ANY UPDATE/ADDENDUM.**

Subcontractors are not allowed for this service.

**Minimum Requirement(s):** Proposers must meet all minimum requirements set forth in the RFSQ document including, but not limited to:

1. Proposer must have three years of experience providing charter bus transportation services. (Please use Form PW-20, Proposer's Compliance with the Minimum Requirements of the RFSQ.)
2. Proposer's management staff must have three years of experience providing charter bus transportation services. (Please use Form PW-20, Proposer's Compliance with the Minimum Requirements of the RFSQ.)
3. Proposer has submitted a valid and active charter license or certificate issued by the California Public Utilities Commission. (Please use Form PW-21, Proposer's Certification/Licensing Requirements of the RFSQ.)

4. Proposer has passed all California Highway Patrol Safety Compliance Inspections (or passed all reinspections) of the Proposer's maintenance facilities or terminals to be used for the proposed contract for the prior three 13-month inspections (California Vehicle Code 34501(c). (Please use Form PW-21, Proposer's Compliance with the Certification/Licensing Requirements of the RFSQ.)
5. Proposer has submitted copies of the Proposer's employees' valid State of California Department of Motor Vehicles Class B (with "P" endorsement) commercial driver's licenses, as well as any other required licenses or endorsements required by Federal, State, and local regulations.

**The deadline to submit the first round of proposals is Wednesday, March 7, 2012, at 5:30 p.m.** Please direct your questions to Ms. Lee at the number listed on the previous page.



The conference facility complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). With four business days notice, Public Works will make all reasonable efforts to provide information in alternate formats and other accommodations for people with disabilities. For the ADA Coordinator, please call (626) 458-4081 or TDD at (626) 282-7829, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Very truly yours,

GAIL FARBER  
Director of Public Works

  
PATRICK V. DeCHELLIS  
Deputy Director

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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS**  
**FOR**  
**CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**  
**PROGRAM (2011 – AN042)**



Approved February 16, 2012  
Gail Farber  
Director of Public Works

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FOR  
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## PART I

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#### SECTION 1

##### INTRODUCTION

A. Proposers' Conference

No Proposers' Conference will be held for this solicitation.

B. Minimum Mandatory Requirements

Interested and qualified Proposers, who can demonstrate their ability to successfully provide the required services outlined in Exhibit A, Scope of Work, of this Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) are invited to submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) also referred to as "Proposal," provided they meet the following requirement(s) at the time of SOQ submission:

1. Proposer must have three years experience providing charter bus transportation services. (Please use Form PW-20, Proposer's Compliance with the Minimum Requirements of the RFSQ.)
2. Proposer's management staff must have three years experience providing charter bus transportation services. (Please use Form PW-20, Proposer's Compliance with the Minimum Requirements of the RFSQ.)
3. Proposer has submitted a valid and active charter license or certificate issued by the California Public Utilities Commission. (Please use Form PW-21, Proposer's Compliance with the Certification/Licensing Requirements of the RFSQ.)
4. Proposer has passed all California Highway Patrol Safety Compliance Inspections (or passed all reinspections) of the Proposer's maintenance facilities or terminals to be used for the proposed contract for the prior three 13-month inspections (California Vehicle Code 34501(c). (Please use Form PW-21, Proposer's Compliance with the Certification/Licensing Requirements of the RFSQ.)
5. Proposer has submitted copies of the Proposer's employees' valid State of California Department of Motor Vehicles Class B (with "P" endorsement) commercial driver's licenses, as well as any other required licenses or endorsements required by Federal, State, and local regulations.



C. Contract Analyst

Proposers are instructed not to contact any County personnel other than the Contract Analyst listed below regarding this solicitation. All contact regarding this RFSQ or any matter relating thereto must be in writing and may be mailed, e-mailed, or sent via facsimile to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works  
Administrative Services Division – 9th Floor  
Attention Ms. Janet Lee  
P.O. Box 1460  
Alhambra, California 91802-1460

E-mail: [jalee@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:jalee@dpw.lacounty.gov)  
Telephone: (626) 458-7167  
Facsimile: (626) 458-4194

If it is discovered that a Proposer contacted and received material information from any County personnel, other than the contract analyst named in the Notice of RFSQ and above, regarding this solicitation, the County, in its sole determination, may disqualify their SOQ from further consideration.

D. Child Support Compliance Program

Proposers shall: 1) fully comply with all applicable State and Federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees; and 2) comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notices of Assignment, and continue to maintain compliance during the term of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation. Failure to comply may be cause for termination of a contract and/or initiation of debarment proceedings against the noncompliant contractor (County Code Chapter 2.202).

E. County Rights and Responsibilities

The County has the right to amend this RFSQ by written addendum. The County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in this solicitation document and any authorized written addenda. Addendums shall be made available by accessing the link at <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/asd/contracts>. Proposers are advised to visit this website on a weekly basis for any written addenda. Should an addendum(s) require additional information not previously requested, failure to address the requirements of such addendum may result in the SOQ not being considered, as determined in the sole discretion of the County. The County is not responsible for and shall not be bound by any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

F. Defaulted Property Tax and Reduction Program

1. The resultant contract from this RFSQ will be subject to the requirements of

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the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program ("Defaulted Tax Program") (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206). The successful contractors should carefully read the Defaulted Tax Program Ordinance, Exhibit E. Proposers should carefully read the pertinent Defaulted Tax Program provisions in Part II, Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements, Section 11, Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program. The Defaulted Tax Program applies to both contractors and their subcontractors, if any.

2. Proposers shall be required to certify that they are in full compliance with the provisions of the Defaulted Tax Program and shall maintain compliance during the term of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation or shall certify that they are exempt from the Defaulted Tax Program by completing Certification of Compliance with The County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program (Form PW-17). Failure to maintain compliance, or to timely cure defects, may be cause for termination of a contract or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliant contractor (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202). SOQs that fail to comply with the certification requirements of the Defaulted Tax Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

G. GAIN and GROW Programs

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Proposers shall demonstrate a proven record of hiring participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenue for Independence (GAIN) and General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Programs or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN and GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Proposers shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN and GROW participants access to Proposer's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities. Proposers who are unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award. Proposers shall certify compliance on Form PW-10, GAIN and GROW Employment Commitment.

H. SPARTA Program

A County program, known as 'SPARTA' (Service Providers, Artisan and Tradesman Activities) may be able to assist potential Contractors in obtaining affordable liability insurance. The SPARTA Program is administered by the County's insurance broker, Merriwether & Williams. For additional information, Proposers may call Merriwether & Williams toll-free at (800) 420-0555 or can access their website directly at [www.2sparta.com](http://www.2sparta.com)

I. Indemnification and Insurance

The successful contractor will be required to comply with the indemnification provisions contained in Exhibit B, Section 5, Indemnification and Insurance Requirements. The contractor will be required to procure, maintain, and provide the County proof of insurance coverage for all programs of insurance along with associated amounts specified throughout the entire term of the proposed contract, without interruption or break in coverage.

J. Injury and Illness Prevention Program

The successful contractor will be required to comply with the State of California's Cal/OSHA's regulations. Section 3203 of Title 8 in the California Code of Regulations requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

K. Interpretation of Request for Statement of Qualifications

The definitions and other rules of interpretation set forth in Part II, Sample Agreement and Exhibit B, Section 1, Interpretation of Contract, also apply to interpretation of this RFSQ.

L. Jury Service Program

1. The resultant contract from this RFSQ will be subject to the requirements of the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance (Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.203). Proposers should carefully read the pertinent jury service provisions in the Part II, Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements, Section 7, Compliance with County's Jury Service Program. The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their subcontractors, if any. SOQs that fail to comply with the requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered nonresponsive and excluded from further consideration.
2. The Jury Service Program requires contractors and their subcontractors, if any, to have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service. For purposes of the Jury Service Program, "employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor, and "full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County; or 2) the Proposer has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Therefore, the Jury Service Program applies to all of a contractor's full-time

California employees, even those not working specifically on the County project. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program.

3. There are two ways in which a contractor might not be subject to the Jury Service Program. The first is if the contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "contractor." The Jury Service Program defines "contractor" to mean a person, partnership, corporation, or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. The second is if the contractor meets one of the two exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The first exception concerns small businesses and applies to contractors that have: 1) ten or fewer employees; and 2) annual gross revenues in the preceding 12 months which, if added to the annual amount of this proposed contract is less than \$500,000; and 3) is not an "affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation." The second exception applies to Contractors that possess a collective bargaining agreement that expressly supersedes the provisions of the Jury Service Program. The Contractor is subject to any provision of the Jury Service Program not expressly superseded by the collective bargaining agreement.
4. If a contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "contractor" or if it meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program, then the Contractor must so indicate in the Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Application for Exception and Certification Form (Form PW-3) and include with its submission all necessary documentation to support the claim, such as tax returns or a collective bargaining agreement, if applicable. Upon reviewing the contractor's application, the County will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the contractor falls within the definition of "contractor" or meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The County's decision will be final.

M. Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program

1. To the extent permitted by State and federal law and when the price category is scored, the County will give Local SBE preference during the solicitation process to businesses that meet the definition of a Local Small Business Enterprise (Local SBE), consistent with Chapter 2.204.030C.1 of the Los Angeles County Code. A Local SBE is defined as: 1) A business certified by the State of California as a small business and 2) has had its principal office located in Los Angeles County for at least one year. The business must be certified by the Office of Small Business as meeting the requirements set forth in 1 and 2 above prior to requesting the Local SBE Preference in a solicitation.

2. To apply for certification as a Local SBE, businesses may register at the Los Angeles County Office of Small Business' website at:

<http://www.laosb.org/default.asp?id=44>

3. Certified Local SBEs must request the SBE Preference in their solicitation responses and may not request the preference unless the certification process has been completed and certification affirmed. Businesses must attach their Local SBE Certification Letter to a completed Form PW-9, Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/Organization Information Form with their SOQ. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a business that knowingly, and with intent to defraud, seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a certified Local SBE.
4. Information about the State's small business enterprise certification regulations is in the California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Subchapter 8, Section 1896 et seq., and is also available on the California Department of General Services Office of Small Business Certification and Resources website at <http://www.pd.dgs.ca.gov/smbus/default>.

N. Notification to County of Pending Acquisitions/Mergers by Proposing/Bidding Company

The Proposer shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of their company. This information shall be provided by the Proposer on Form PW-1, Verification of SOQ. The proposed contract will only be awarded to the entity that submitted the SOQ. Any acquisitions and merger will be handled pursuant to Exhibit B, Section 2.B, Assignment and Delegation and evaluated in accordance with the Board's policy regarding contractors engaged in mergers and acquisitions. Failure of the Proposer to provide this information may eliminate its SOQ/bid from any further consideration.

O. Prompt Payment Program

It is the intent of the County that Certified Local SBEs receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after the receipt of an undisputed and approved invoice.

P. Proposer's Charitable Contributions Compliance

California's "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" regulates receiving and raising charitable contributions. Among other requirements, those subject to the Charitable Purposes Act must register. The 2004 Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increases Charitable Purposes Act requirements. New rules cover California public benefit corporations, unincorporated associations, trustee entities, and may include similar foreign corporations doing business or holding property in California. Key Nonprofit Integrity Act requirements affect executive compensation, fund-raising

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practices, and documentation. Charities with over \$2 million of revenues (excluding funds that must be accounted for to a governmental entity) have new audit requirements.

All prospective contractors must determine if they receive or raise charitable contributions, which subject them to the Charitable Purposes Act and complete the certification form attached as Form PW-12. A completed Form PW-12 is a required part of any agreement with the County.

In Form PW-12, prospective contractors certify either that:

1. They have determined that they do not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under the California Charitable Purposes Act (including the Nonprofit Integrity Act) but will comply if they become subject to coverage of those laws during the term of a County contract; or
2. They are currently complying with their obligations under the Charitable Purposes Act, attaching a copy of their most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts.

Prospective County contractors that do not complete Form PW-12 as part of the solicitation process may, in the County's sole discretion, be disqualified for contract award. A County contractor that fails to comply with its obligations under the Charitable Purposes Act is subject to either contract termination or debarment proceedings or both (County Code Chapter 2.202).

Q. Statement of Qualifications Requirements and Contract Specifications

1. Persons who wish to contract with the County may respond to this RFSQ by submitting a SOQ in the form described in the following Sections and Attachments. Proposers are instructed to carefully read these Terms, Requirements, Specifications, Conditions, Attachments, and Exhibits.
2. Requirements for SOQs are explained in Part I of this RFSQ.
3. The proposed contract's specifications and requirements are fully described in Part II, Sample Agreement; Exhibit A, Scope of Work; and Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements. Proposers are also requested to review Attachment 1, Policy on Doing Business with Small Business; Attachment 2, Debarred Vendors Report; and Attachment 3, County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance.
4. Submission of SOQs are set forth in the Notice of RFSQ.

R. Security and Background Investigations

The Contractor shall be responsible for ongoing implementation and monitoring of the following for each Contractor employee or agent providing service under this Contract who may come into contact with the public including, but not limited

to, vehicle operators, Supervisors and subcontractor employees (collectively referred to as "Public Contact Employees"):

1. Each Public Contact Employee shall undergo and pass a criminal background investigation prior to starting work under this Contract. The Contractor shall conduct additional criminal background investigations of all Public Contact Employees every two years and upon request of the County at its sole discretion. The background investigation shall include criminal conviction information from an agency acceptable to County such as local law enforcement or Live Scan from the California Department of Justice. The cost of background checks is the responsibility of the Contractor.
2. No Public Contact Employee shall have a criminal conviction record, including a guilty plea or a finding of not guilty by reason of insanity and Contractor shall be under a continuing obligation to immediately remove any Public Contact Employee having a criminal conviction record, including a guilty plea or a finding of not guilty by reason of insanity. Contractor may only make an exception to this requirement if Contractor determines that there were mitigating circumstances or that the conviction is not related to the Public Contact Employee position and that the Public Contact Employee poses no threat or risk to the County or public.
3. Disqualification of any Public Contact Employee pursuant to this section shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to provide services in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.
4. The Contractor shall annually submit to the Contract Manager a certificate of compliance attesting that each Public Contact Employee is eligible for employment under this Contract according to the requirements outlined in Sections 1 and 2.

S. Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program

To the extent permitted by State and federal law in evaluating SOQs and when the price category is scored, the County will give preference to businesses that are certified by the County as Transitional Job Opportunity vendors, consistent with Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code. A Certified Transitional Job Opportunity vendor is, and has been such for three years, an entity: that is a nonprofit organization recognized as tax exempt pursuant to section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Services Code; set forth, under penalty of perjury, such information as requested by the County on either electronic or hard copy forms, along with their application form and three most recent annual tax returns to Public Works with their SOQ response to contracting solicitation for which they are competing; has been in services to program participants; and provided a profile of their program a description of their program components designed to assist program participants, number of past program participants, and any other information requested by Public Works. Transitional Job Opportunities vendors must request the preference in their solicitation responses (Form PW-13) and

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may not receive the preference until their certification has been affirmed by Public Works. County must verify the Transitional Job Opportunity vendor certification prior to applying the preference. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a vendor that knowingly and with intent to defraud seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a Transitional Job Opportunities vendor.

T. Vendor Registration

Proposers must register on-line with the County's web-based vendor registration system to facilitate the contract award process. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County's home page at [http://lacounty.info/doing\\_business/main\\_db.htm](http://lacounty.info/doing_business/main_db.htm) and click on "Vendor Registration Information – Self Registration." Being registered will assist the Proposer in receiving notifications of the release of County solicitations that may be of interest to the Proposer.



## SECTION 2

### STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

#### A. Statement of Qualifications Format and Content Requirements

The County, utilizing Public Works as the administrative agency, is issuing this RFSQ to interested parties for charter bus transportation services. This service will provide charter bus transportation service to various groups as authorized by the Board. The responses to this SOQ should fully describe the cost and technical operations necessary to provide charter bus transportation services. Statement of Qualifications shall be presented in the sequence, with the content, and tabbed in the format stated below. All information submitted shall be completed to County's satisfaction and approved by the County prior to the execution of the Contract. Failure to provide the required information, make revisions as requested by the County or to strictly comply with these guidelines may be a basis for rejection of the SOQ as nonresponsive:

1. Title page

The title page shall show the Proposer's name, title of the service requested, local address, telephone number, and date of submittal.

2. Table of Contents

A comprehensive table of contents shall list all material included in the SOQ.

3. Letter of Transmittal

A person legally authorized to enter into contracts for the Proposer shall sign the Letter of Transmittal. The letter must include a brief statement of the Proposer's understanding of the work to be accomplished and a list of names of individuals authorized to make representations for the Proposer, their titles, addresses, and telephone numbers.

4. Support Documents for Corporations and Limited Liability Companies

a. Corporations

Proposer must provide a copy of the corporation's "Certificate of Good Standing" with the State of California or state of incorporation and the most recent "Statement by Domestic (or Foreign) Stock Corporation" as filed with the California Secretary of State or state of incorporation. If Proposer's most recent Statement has only the "No change in information" box checked, the Proposer must also submit the most recent endorsed "Statement of Information", which includes a list of corporate officers. The "Statement of Information" must list the corporate officers.

b. Limited Liability Companies

Proposer must provide a copy of the most recent "Statement by Domestic (or Foreign) Stock Corporation" as filed with the California Secretary of State or state of incorporation. If Proposer's most recent Statement has only the "No change in information" box checked, the Proposer must also submit the most recent endorsed "Statement of Information", which includes a list of corporate officers. The "Statement of Information" must list the corporate officers.

5. Experience

Proposer's capabilities and experience shall be described comprehensively in order to provide for a meaningful evaluation, and assessment. The narrative should discuss each of the following subject areas:

- Background;
- Organization (provide a chart or outline of the firm's organizational structure showing the roles of all personnel involved with this Contract, if awarded, identifying each by name/position); and
- On a separate subheading provide a Staffing Plan listing specific information regarding length and quality of experience providing services of the type described in Exhibit A, Scope of Work. Identify the roles of and submit resumes for the firm, principals, managing employees, on-site supervisors, other key staff, presenters, Subcontractors, and any other staff involved with this Contract, if awarded.
- Demonstrate how the Proposer complies with requirements outlined in Part I, Section 1.B, Minimum Mandatory Requirements, if any.
- Proposer and its management staff for the proposed service will be evaluated on the extent of recent experience. A minimum of three years' experience in the provision of charter bus transportation services is required of the Proposer and its management staff. Experience will be determined by an evaluation of listed current and/or recent similar transportation services and discussions with listed references as well as an evaluation of proposed personnel and personnel backgrounds.
- Proposer must address the following items thoroughly and concisely. The responses will be evaluated to determine if Proposer qualifies to manage and operate proposed service. Proposer should first restate each question followed by his or her response.

Questions and Comments:

- a. How many years of experience does Proposer have in providing or managing charter bus transportation services?
- b. Describe similar services and list all clients for whom Proposer has performed charter bus transportation services similar to those described in this RFSQ within the last three years. (Proposer may limit their response to the most recent ten services. Information on other services may be requested by Public Works at a later date). The list shall include each client, service name, and contact person(s) with their title(s), addresses, and telephone numbers (Form PW-6).
- c. Within the last three years, has Proposer ever failed to complete any work awarded or defaulted on a contract? If yes, please explain.
- d. Identify the Proposer's Program Manager and the years of experience the Program Manager has had in managing charter bus transportation services (describe experience). Submit a detailed resume for the Program Manager. Identify the percentage of the Program Manager's time that will be dedicated to this service if awarded the proposed contract.
- e. Identify the Proposer's Maintenance Manager and the years of experience the Maintenance Manager has had maintaining the Proposer's charter bus transportation vehicles (describe experience). Submit a detailed resume for the Maintenance Manager.
- f. Submit a proposed organizational chart for staffing proposed by Proposer to provide service, including management, supervisors, office personnel, bus operators, and mechanics.
- g. Describe Proposer's plan to attract and maintain a quality and experienced work force for the service.
- h. Are there any past, current, or pending financial or legal issues that might jeopardize Proposer's ability to provide the requested service in accordance with the proposed contract's scope of work and terms and conditions at the prices quoted and for the proposed contract's period? If yes, please explain.

6. Work Plan

**FAILURE TO PREPARE AND INCLUDE A WORK PLAN MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS.**

Describe comprehensively and in detail how the service will be performed to meet or exceed the requirements of Exhibit A, Scope of Work. Prepare and include a staffing plan that specifically describes the number of staff who will be committed to the project and their qualifications. If possible, list them by name. Describe and include the schedules, procedures, techniques, and methods that will be employed in meeting the objectives outlined in the Scope of Work. These may include personnel management, training, subcontracting, emergency and contingency planning, recruitment and replacement, supervision, supplies, equipment, uniforms, identification badges, safety, communications, and quality control.

Additionally, the Proposer must be technically able to deliver services. Technical ability will be determined by an evaluation of responses to questions and comments relating to, but not limited to, Proposer's plan and schedule for service implementation; type and condition of proposed service buses; ability to meet or exceed service parameters (on-time performance) in similar types of service; ability to perform all aspects of the service, including bus maintenance and recording and reporting data; and ability to comply, at a minimum, with the Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing Program (Exhibit H).

Proposer must address the following items thoroughly and concisely. The responses will be evaluated to determine if Proposer qualifies to operate service. Proposer should first restate each question or comment, followed by its response.

Questions and Comments:

- a. Are there any requirements within this RFSQ that Proposer cannot comply with?
- b. Describe in detail Proposer's driver training and safety programs.
- c. Provide a detailed description of the facilities, equipment, and personnel, including addresses of the facilities, to be used for each of the following:
  - Dispatch
  - Bus Storage
  - Maintenance
- d. Indicate how Proposer will maintain a minimum of 90 percent on-time performance for this service. On-time performance is defined as operating within 15 minutes of the required schedule. Proposer

must have maintained a minimum of 90 percent on-time performance of services operated over the last three years.

- e. Submit all California Highway Patrol Terminal Inspections for the last three years. Proposer is required to have a satisfactory rating on all terminal inspections.
- f. Does Proposer have a controlled substance abuse program that complies with Exhibit H?

7. Quality Assurance Program

Describe Proposer's Quality Assurance Program (Program) that will be utilized by the Proposer as a self-monitoring tool to ensure that these services are performed in accordance with the County's contract requirements and recommendations. The Program must ensure service deliveries outlined in Exhibit A, Scope of Work, are completed in a timely manner, the services will be free of defects, and how those results will be achieved. The Program must comprehensively address the Proposer's organizational process for consistently delivering those requirements.

The Proposer's staffing plan must include a qualified inspector to monitor compliance with the Program and deal with customer complaints and inquiries.

At a minimum, the Program outlined in your SOQ shall address in detail:

- a. Policies and Procedures – Quality control procedures for the Proposer, subcontractors, if any, and suppliers must be described. If a subcontractor is to perform work, the Program must detail how that subcontractor will interface with the Proposer and how the Proposer will ensure that the subcontractor complies with the Program.
- b. Inspection Fundamentals – The Proposer shall provide samples of forms that outline required operations and quality levels. The SOQ must indicate the Proposer's inspection schedules, a methodology to correct deficiencies, level of supervision, and how the inspections are to be performed. The SOQ shall document the name, authority, relevant experience, and qualifications of the person with overall responsibility for the inspection system.
- c. Quality Control Documentation, Review, and Reporting – The Program shall describe and list the records to be maintained. The Program shall detail how the Proposer will maintain inspection records and make them available to the County.

8. Subcontractors

Subcontractors are not allowed for this service.

9. Licenses and Certifications

Proposer must submit a valid and active charter license or certificate issued by the California Public Utilities commission. In addition, Proposer must submit copies of the Proposer's, employees', valid State of California Department of Motor Vehicles Class B (with "P" endorsement) commercial driver's license, as well as any other required licenses or endorsements required by Federal, State, and local regulations.

10. Insurance

Submit completed and signed Form PW-16, Proposer's Insurance Compliance Affirmation, acknowledging that the Proposer will comply with all provisions set forth in Exhibit B, Section 5, Indemnification and Insurance Requirements of this RFSQ if awarded the contract. In Form PW-16, Proposer affirms that the Proposer will procure, maintain, and provide the County with proof of insurance and coverage as specified by this RFSQ throughout the entire term of the proposed contract, without interruption or break in coverage.

11. Forms List

Complete and submit the following forms which are included in the RFSQ package:

PW-1	VERIFICATION OF PROPOSAL
PW-2	SCHEDULE OF PRICES
PW-3	COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION AND CERTIFICATION FORM
PW-4	CONTRACTOR'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY RECORD
PW-4.1	CONTRACTOR'S DRIVERS SAFETY RECORD
PW-5	CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION
PW-6	PROPOSER'S REFERENCE LIST
PW-7	PROPOSER'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CERTIFICATION
PW-8	LIST OF SUBCONTRACTORS
PW-9	REQUEST FOR LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE PROGRAM CONSIDERATION AND CBE FIRM/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION FORM
PW-10	GAIN AND GROW EMPLOYMENT COMMITMENT

PW-11	TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST AN RFP SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW (Submit only if requesting a review.)
PW-12	CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION
PW-13	TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE APPLICATION
PW-14	PROPOSER'S LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS
PW-15	PROPOSER'S PENDING LITIGATIONS AND JUDGMENTS
PW-16	PROPOSER'S INSURANCE COMPLIANCE AFFIRMATION
PW-17	CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM
PW-18	DISPLACED TRANSIT EMPLOYEE PROGRAM
PW-19	STATEMENT OF EQUIPMENT FORM
PW-20	PROPOSER'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF THE RFSQ
PW-21	PORPOSER'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATION/LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THE RFSQ.

(Proposer should note that any change, edit, deletion, etc., of these forms by the Proposer may subject the Proposer's SOQ to disqualification, at the sole discretion of the County.)

12. Additional Information

Additional information that is not presented elsewhere and is essential to a fair evaluation must appear in the last Section of the SOQ and be labeled "Additional Information." If there is no additional information the Proposer wishes to present, this Section will consist of the statement: "There is no additional information we wish to present."

B. Statement of Qualifications Submission

1. SOQs shall be submitted with **six (6)** complete sets of the SOQ and any related information.
  - One (1) original and three (3) copies.
  - Two (2) electronic copies on a CD in PDF format as follows:
    - One **original** electronic copy
    - One **redacted** electronic copy - Proposer shall redact any trade secret, confidential, proprietary, or other personal information from the SOQ such as Social Security numbers.

2. Submit SOQs to the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Cashier, located on the Mezzanine Floor, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803, in a package that clearly identifies the Proposer and this RFSQ. SOQs are received only when accepted and time stamped by the Cashier. All other indications of apparent timely delivery may be disregarded.
3. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to instruct delivery services, such as United Parcel Service and Federal Express, to deliver SOQs directly to the Cashier. SOQs submitted via facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted.
4. SOQs delivered by other means, including United States Postal Service, may be delayed in Public Works' mail system, resulting in untimely delivery to the Cashier and possible failure to meet the SOQ submission deadline as noted in the RFSQ Notice. SOQs time stamped after this time will be considered in any subsequent round of contract awards for this program. The RFSQ may be offered every six months, starting on January 1, 2013, or as needed depending on the need of the County. Delayed and missed deadlines for submission of SOQs not delivered in strict compliance with this RFSQ shall be the sole responsibility of the Proposer, not of the County, Public Works, or any Special District.
5. SOQs received after the closing date and time specified in the Notice of RFSQ will be considered by Public Works in the subsequent round of awards for this program.



## SECTION 3

### GENERAL CONDITIONS OF REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

A. Acceptance or Rejection of Statements of Qualifications

The right is reserved to reject any or all SOQs that, in the judgment of the Board or Director, are not in the best interests of the County/Public Works/Special Districts. The County further reserves the right to cancel this RFSQ at any time at its sole discretion. In the event of any such rejection of SOQs or cancellation of this solicitation, the County will not be liable for any costs incurred in connection with the preparation and submittal of a SOQ.

SOQs signed by an agent other than the president and secretary of a corporation or a member of a general copartnership must be submitted with a power of attorney or corporate resolution, certified by the secretary or assistant secretary, authorizing such signature; otherwise, the SOQ may be rejected as unauthorized and nonresponsive.

No SOQ will be considered unless the Proposer submits a SOQ for all requested items. If the solicitation document requests multiple quotations, no SOQ will be considered unless the Proposer submits a price on all items within each category; however, the solicitation document may not require the Proposer to submit a price on all of the categories.

B. Altering Solicitation Document

The wording of the solicitation document shall not be changed. Any additions, conditions, limitations, or provisions inserted by the Proposer will render their SOQ irregular and may cause its rejection as nonresponsive.

C. County Responsibility

The County will not be responsible for representation made by any of its officers or employees prior to the execution of the proposed contract unless such understanding or representation is included in the proposed contract.

D. Determination of Proposer Responsibility

1. A responsible Proposer is a Proposer who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily perform the proposed contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.
2. Proposers are hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code, the County may determine whether the Proposer is responsible based on a review of the Proposer's performance on any contracts, including, but not limited to, County contracts. Particular attention will be given to violations of labor laws related to employee compensation and benefits and evidence of false claims made by the

Proposer against public entities. Labor law violations which are the fault of subcontractors and of which the Proposer had no knowledge shall not be the basis of a determination that the Proposer is not responsible.

3. The County may declare a Proposer to be nonresponsible for purposes of the proposed contract if the Board, in its discretion, finds that the Proposer has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Proposer's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or omission which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
4. If there is evidence that the highest-rated Proposer may not be responsible, Public Works will notify the Proposer in writing of the evidence relating to the Proposer's responsibility and its intention to recommend to the Board that the Proposer be found not responsible. Public Works will provide the Proposer and/or the Proposer's representative with an opportunity to present evidence as to why the Proposer should be found to be responsible and to rebut evidence, which is the basis for Public Works' recommendation.
5. If the Proposer presents evidence in rebuttal to Public Works, Public Works will evaluate the merits of such evidence, and based on that evaluation, make a recommendation to the Board. The final decision concerning the responsibility of the Proposer will reside with the Board.
6. These terms shall also apply to any proposed subcontractors of Proposer on County contracts.

E. Disqualification of Proposers

More than one SOQ from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or association under the same or different names will not be considered. Reasonable grounds for believing that any Proposer has an interest in more than one SOQ for the work contemplated may cause the rejection of all SOQs in which such Proposer has interest on the basis of nonresponsibility and/or nonresponsiveness. If there is reason for believing that collusion exists among the Proposers, such collusion by the participants may be cause for the rejection of their SOQs or future SOQs on the basis of nonresponsibility and/or nonresponsiveness and may subject such Proposers to debarment.

F. Gratuities

1. It is improper for any County officer, employee, or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from a Proposer with the implication, suggestion, or statement that the Proposer's provision of the consideration may secure more favorable treatment for the Proposer in the award of the proposed contract or that the Proposer's failure to provide such consideration may negatively affect the County's consideration of the Proposer's submission. A Proposer shall not offer or give, either directly or through an intermediary, consideration, in any form, to a County officer, employee, or agent for the purpose of securing favorable treatment with respect to the award of the proposed contract.
2. A Proposer shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861. Failure to report such a solicitation may result in the Proposer's submission being rejected on the basis of nonresponsibility and/or nonresponsiveness.
3. Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash; discounts; services; and the provision of travel, entertainment, or tangible gifts.

G. Knowledge of Work to be Done

By submitting a SOQ, Proposer shall be held to have carefully read this RFSQ, all attachments, and exhibits; satisfied themselves before the delivery of their SOQ as to their ability to meet all of the requirements and difficulties attending the execution of the proposed work; and agreed that if awarded a contract, no claim will be made against the County based on this RFSQ including, without limitation, claims based on any ambiguity or misunderstanding. Furthermore, the Proposer has carefully examined the location(s) of the proposed work, and is familiar with all of the physical and climatic conditions, and makes this SOQ solely upon the Proposer's own knowledge. The Proposer has carefully examined these specifications and requirements, both in general and in detail, any drawings attached, and any additional communications sent and makes their SOQ in accordance therewith. If Proposer's SOQ is accepted, the Proposer will enter into a written contract with the County for the performance of the proposed work and will accept payment based on the prices shown in Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices, as full compensation for work performed. It is understood and agreed that the quantities set forth in Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices and this RFSQ are only estimates, and the unit prices will apply to the actual quantities, whatever they may be.

H. Notice to Proposers Regarding the Public Records Act

1. All responses to this solicitation shall become the exclusive property of the County. Absent extraordinary circumstances, at such time as (a) with respect to the recommended Proposer's SOQ and corresponding Public Works evaluation documents, Public Works completes contract negotiations and obtains a letter from an authorized officer of the recommended Proposer that the negotiated contract is a firm offer of the recommended Proposer, which shall not be revoked by the recommended Proposer pending the Department's completion of the process under Board Policy No. 5.055 and approval by the Board of Supervisors (Board) and (b) with respect to each Proposer requesting a County Review Panel, the County Review Panel convenes as a result of such Proposers' request, and (c) with respect to all other Proposers, Public Works recommends the recommended Proposer(s) to the Board and such recommendation appears on the Board agenda, SOQs submitted in response to this solicitation and corresponding Public Works evaluation documents become a matter of public record, with the exception of those parts of each SOQ which are justifiably defined as business or trade secrets, and, if by the proposer, plainly marked as "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary."
2. The County shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such record or any parts thereof, if disclosure is required or permitted under the California Public Records Act or otherwise by law. A blanket statement of confidentiality or the marking of each page of the SOQ as confidential shall not be deemed sufficient notice of exception. The proposers must specifically label only those provisions of their respective SOQ which are "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary" in nature. Only those provisions labeled as "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary" in nature at the time of SOQ submission will be accepted. The proposers will not be granted opportunity to make any change or label any portion of their respective SOQ as "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary" after the submission deadline of the SOQs.
3. In the event County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a SOQ marked "trade secret," "confidential," or "proprietary," Proposer agrees to defend and indemnify County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in connection with any requested action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

I. Notice to Proposers Regarding the County Lobbyist Ordinance

The Board has enacted an ordinance regulating the activities of persons who lobby County officials. This ordinance, referred to as the "Lobbyist Ordinance," defines a County Lobbyist and imposes certain registration requirements upon individuals meeting the definition. The complete text of the ordinance can be found in

Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. In effect, each person, corporation, or other entity that seeks a County permit, license, franchise, or contract must certify compliance with the ordinance. As part of this solicitation process, it will be the responsibility of each Proposer to review the ordinance independently as the text of the ordinance is not contained in this RFSQ. Each person, corporation, or other entity submitting a response to this solicitation, must certify that each County Lobbyist, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by the Proposer is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code and each County Lobbyist is **not** on the Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyist. The Proposer's signature on the SOQ submission is its certification that it is in full compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. See Attachment 3 regarding County Lobbyist.

J. Opening of Statement of Qualifications

SOQs will not be publicly opened.

K. Proposer Debarment

1. The Proposer is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code, the County may debar the Proposer from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on other County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstance, and the County may terminate any or all of the Proposer's existing contracts with County, if the Board finds, in its discretion, that the Proposer has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Proposer's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with the County or any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
2. If there is evidence that the highest-rated Proposer may be subject to debarment, Public Works will notify the Proposer in writing of the evidence, which is the basis for the proposed debarment, and will advise the Proposer of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the contractor Hearing Board.
3. The contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Proposer and/or the Proposer's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the contractor Hearing Board will prepare a tentative proposed decision, which will contain a recommendation regarding whether the Proposer should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Proposer and Public Works shall be

provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board.

4. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are received, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board. The Board shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
5. If a Proposer has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Proposer may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Proposer has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
6. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider requests for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Proposer has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedure as for a debarment hearing.
7. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision will contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board. The Board will have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
8. These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Proposer on County contracts.
9. Attachment 2 is a listing of contractors currently debarred.

L. Statement of Qualifications Prices and Agreement of Figures

If the total amount arrived at by multiplying the unit price times the quantity does not agree with the total amount entered for the item or if the total amount is not

entered, the unit price and the corrected total amount will be considered as representing the Proposer's intentions. If the total amount is entered for the item, but not the unit price, the unit price will be that which is derived by dividing the total amount proposed for the item by the number of units in the item as representing the Proposer's intentions. If the items are incorrectly calculated, the corrected total will be considered as representing the Proposer's intentions.

M. Proposer's Safety Record

A review of the Proposer's safety record will be made before the award. Proposers are required to submit this information, with their SOQ, on Form PW-4, Contractor's Industrial Safety Record form and PW-4.1, Contractor's Driver Safety Record form provided. Nonsubmission or an adverse finding as to the Proposer's safety record may be cause for rejection of the SOQ on the basis of nonresponsibility and/or nonresponsiveness.

N. Qualification of Proposer

No award will be made to any Proposer who cannot give satisfactory assurance as to its ability to carry out the intended contract, based both on financial strength and experience as a contractor on work of the nature contemplated in the proposed contract. Proposers are encouraged to submit records of work of similar nature, size, or extent to that proposed under these specifications and requirements. A reasonable inquiry to determine the responsibility of a Proposer will be conducted. The unreasonable failure of a Proposer to promptly supply information in connection with such inquiry, including, but not limited to, information regarding past performance, financial stability, and ability to perform on schedule, may be grounds for a determination of nonresponsibility and/or nonresponsiveness with respect to such Proposer. Unfamiliarity with the type of work required by Public Works may be cause for rejection of the SOQ on the basis of nonresponsibility and/or nonresponsiveness.

O. Qualifications of Subcontractors

Proposers shall list all subcontractors, if any, to be used on the List of Subcontractors (Form PW-8). The use of subcontractors shall be subject to Public Works' approval. Subcontractors shall be properly licensed under the laws of the State of California for the type of work, which they are to perform. Alternate Subcontractors shall not be listed for the same work.

P. Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Proposer shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor, if any, to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Part II, Exhibit D of this solicitation document and is also available on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org) for printing purposes.

Q. Term of Statement of Qualifications

All SOQs shall be firm offers and may not be withdrawn for a period of 270 days following the deadline for submission of SOQs.

R. Truth and Accuracy of Representations

False, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with a SOQ will be sufficient cause for the rejection of the SOQ. The evaluation and determination in this area will be at the Director's sole judgment and the Director's judgment will be final.

S. Wages, Materials, and Other Costs

It is the responsibility of the Proposer to calculate the SOQ price to take into consideration a possible escalation of wages, materials, and other costs during the contract period. The Board, County, Public Works, District(s), or Director make no representations regarding future costs or the rate of wages that may become necessary to pay employees of the contractor for the work performed during the contract period.

T. Withdrawal of Statement of Qualifications

Proposers may withdraw their SOQ anytime before the date and hour set for submission set forth in the Notice for RFSQ upon presentation of a written request to the Director signed by an authorized representative of the Proposer or by the person filing the SOQ.

U. Consultant Independent

Proposers that assisted the County in developing or preparing a solicitation document, pursuant to a consultant contract, is precluded from subsequently being involved in the bidding process on that solicitation document.



## SECTION 4

### EVALUATION OF STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS; AWARD AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT

#### A. Award of Contract

The County reserves the right to award contracts to all qualified Proposers. The awardee(s) shall sign and return the agreement within 14 calendar days of its mailing to the awardee for signature by Public Works. The awardee(s) shall submit copies of its proof of insurance coverage within 14 days after Board approval of the proposed contract or at least 14 days prior to the proposed contract's start date, whichever occurs last. Public Works will not execute the proposed contract until proof of valid insurance coverage is submitted to Public Works.

#### B. Final Contract Award by Board

Notwithstanding a recommendation by Public Works and/or the Chief Executive Office, the Board retains the right to exercise its judgment concerning the selection of a SOQ, the terms of any resultant contract/agreement, and to determine which SOQ best serves the interests of the County. The Board is the ultimate decision-making body and makes the final determinations necessary to arrive at a decision to award, or not award, a contract, or to award a contract to a Proposer other than the highest-rated Proposer.

#### C. Evaluation of Statement of Qualifications

1. All responses to this RFSQ become the property of the County. Upon receipt of the SOQ as specified and evaluation of SOQs in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth below, Public Works may recommend the award of a contract to one or more of those submitting SOQs. The proposed contract may be submitted to the Board for consideration and possible approval.
2. The County may require whatever evidence it deems necessary to determine the Proposer's overall and specific abilities to meet the requirements of proposed contract over the entire contract term. This determination will be based on, but not limited to, an evaluation of the Proposer's experience, personnel, financial stability and resources, work plan, cost to perform requested services, and staffing plan.
3. The County reserves the sole right to judge the Proposer's written and oral representations and to review, evaluate, and select the successful SOQ(s).
4. The County may make on-site inspections of Proposer's current jobs and/or facilities.

5. The County, in its sole discretion, may elect to waive any error or informalities in the form of a SOQ or any other disparity, if, as a whole, the SOQ substantially complies with the RFSQ's requirements.
6. The County may utilize the services of appropriate experts to assist in the evaluation process.

D. Pass/Fail Review

SOQs will be reviewed on a Pass/Fail basis concerning the items listed below. SOQs not meeting all of these requirements may be rejected as nonresponsive:

1. Proposer responded comprehensively to the requested information required in Part 1, Section 2.A.
2. Proposer will comply with the insurance requirements, outlined in Exhibit B, Section 5, Indemnification and Insurance Requirements, as evidenced by submitting a completed and signed Form PW-16.
3. Proposer have met the GAIN and GROW Programs requirements (Form PW-10).
4. Proposer have completed and submitted the Charitable Contributions Certification (Form PW-12).
5. Proposer have submitted the Jury Service Program Application for Exception and Certification Form (Form PW-3) stating that they accept and will comply with the program requirements or establish their entitlement to an exception to the program.
6. Proposer have completed and signed all appropriate forms, and Proposer has completed and signed Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices.
7. Proposer complies with all minimum requirements as outlined in Part I, Section 1.B, Minimum Mandatory Requirements, as evidenced by submitting a completed and signed Form PW-20, Proposer's Compliance with the Minimum Requirements of the RFSQ and Form PW-21, Proposer's Compliance with the Certification/Licensing Requirement of the RFSQ.
8. Proposer has submitted copies of the Proposer's, employees', valid State of California Department of Motor Vehicles Class B (with "P" endorsement) commercial driver's licenses, as well as any other required licenses or endorsements required by Federal, State, and local regulations. (Please use Form PW-21, Proposer's Compliance with the Certification/Licensing Requirement of the RFSQ.)
9. Proposer has submitted a valid and active charter license or certificate issued by the California Public Utilities Commission. (Please use Form PW-21, Proposer's Compliance with the Certification/Licensing Requirements of the RFSQ.)

**Proposers who do not possess the required licenses/certifications/permits will be disqualified as nonresponsive.**

10. SOQs were time stamped by the Cashier prior to the deadline for submission of the SOQ. SOQs time stamped after this time will be considered in any subsequent round of contract awards for this program. The RFSQ may be offered every six months starting on January 1, 2013, or as needed depending on the need of the County.

F. Negotiation

The County reserves the right to negotiate the terms, conditions, and price of the SOQ(s), in the sole discretion of the County, to achieve the most beneficial program and price for the County. The County, in its sole discretion, may limit the negotiation, if any, to one or more responsive and responsible Proposers in accordance with the Pass/Fail Review set forth in this Part I, Section 4.D, Evaluation Criteria. If a satisfactory contract cannot be negotiated, the County may, at its sole discretion, begin contract negotiations with any other responsive and responsible Proposer who submitted a SOQ, as determined by the County.

## SECTION 5

### PROTEST POLICY

#### A. Protest Policy Review Process

1. Under Board Policy No. 5.055 (Services Contract Solicitation Protest), any prospective Proposer may request a review of the requirements under a solicitation for a Board-approved services Contract, as described in Paragraph C, Solicitation Requirements Review, below. Any Proposer may request a review of a disqualification or of a proposed Contract award under such a solicitation, as described respectively in Sections below. Additionally, any Proposer may obtain copies of SOQs and Public Works evaluation documents as provided in Part I, Section 3, Paragraph H. Under any such review, it is the responsibility of the Proposer challenging the decision of Public Works to demonstrate that Public Works committed a sufficiently material error in the solicitation process to justify invalidation of a solicitation or a proposed Contract award as the case may be.
2. Throughout the review process, the County has no obligation to delay or otherwise postpone an award of Contract based on a Proposer protest. In all cases, the County reserves the right to make an award when it is determined to be in the best interest of the County of Los Angeles to do so.

#### B. Grounds for Review

Unless State or Federal statutes or regulations otherwise provide, the grounds for review of a solicitation for Board-approved services Contract provided for under Board Policy No. 5.055 (Services Contract Solicitation Protest) are limited to the following:

- Review of the Solicitation Requirements
- Review of a Disqualified Bid/SOQ
- Review of the Proposed Contractor Selection

#### C. Solicitation Requirements Review

Any person or entity may seek a Solicitation Requirements Review by submitting a written request for review to Public Works conducting the solicitation as described in this Paragraph. A Request for a Solicitation Requirements Review may be denied, in Public Works' sole discretion, if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review is made within ten (10) business days of the issuance of the solicitation document;

2. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review includes documentation, which demonstrates the underlying ability of the person or entity to submit a SOQ.
3. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review itemizes in appropriate detail, each matter contested and factual reasons for the requested review; and
4. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review asserts either that:
  - a. Application of the minimum requirements, evaluation criteria and/or business requirements unfairly disadvantages the person or entity; or,
  - b. Due to unclear instructions, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from prospective Proposers.
5. The Solicitation Requirements Review will be completed and Public Works' determination will be provided to the requesting person or entity, in writing, within a reasonable time prior to the bid/SOQ due date.

D. Place to Submit Requests for Review

All Requests for Review shall be submitted to the Contract Analyst.

E. Disqualification Review

1. A bid/SOQ may be disqualified from consideration because Public Works determined it was nonresponsive at any time during the review/evaluation process. If Public Works determines that a bid/SOQ is disqualified due to nonresponsiveness, Public Works shall notify the Proposer in writing.
2. Upon receipt of the written determination of nonresponsiveness, the Proposer may submit a written request for a Disqualification Review within the timeframe specified in the written determination.
3. A request for a Disqualification Review may, in Public Works' sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:
  - a. The person or entity requesting a Disqualification Review is a Proposer;
  - b. The request for a Disqualification Review is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified in the written determination); and
  - c. The request for a Disqualification Review asserts that the determination of disqualification due to bid/SOQ nonresponsiveness was erroneous (e.g., factual errors, etc.) and provides factual support on each ground asserted as well as copies of all documents and other material that support the assertions.

4. The Disqualification Review shall be completed and the determination shall be provided to the requesting Proposer, in writing, prior to the conclusion of the evaluation process.

F. Debriefing Process

For solicitations where SOQs are evaluated and scored in accordance to Section 4, Evaluation of SOQs, the following provisions shall apply:

1. Upon completion of the evaluation, Public Works will notify the remaining Proposers in writing that Public Works is entering negotiations with another Proposer. Upon receipt of the letter, any nonselected Proposer may submit a written request for a Debriefing within the timeframe specified in the letter. A request for a Debriefing may, in Public Works' sole discretion, be denied if the request is not received within the specified timeframe.
2. The purpose of the Debriefing is to compare the requesting Proposer's response to the solicitation document with the evaluation document. The requesting Proposer shall be debriefed only on its response. Because Contract negotiations are not yet complete, responses from other Proposers shall not be discussed, although Public Works may inform the requesting Proposer of its relative ranking.
3. During or following the Debriefing, Public Works will instruct the requesting Proposer of the manner and timeframe in which the requesting Proposer must notify Public Works of its intent to request a Proposed Contractor Selection Review, below, if the requesting Proposer is not satisfied with the results of the Debriefing.

G. Proposed Contractor Selection Review

Any Proposer that has timely submitted a notice of its intent to request a Proposed Contractor Selection Review as described in Paragraph F, above, may submit a written request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review in the manner and timeframe as specified by Public Works. For low-bid solicitations, where applicable, upon selection of the lowest-cost, responsive, and responsible bidder, Public Works will notify the remaining bidders in writing that Public Works is entering negotiations with another bidder. Public Works will instruct the remaining bidders of the manner and timeframe in which each remaining bidder must notify Public Works of its intent to request a Proposed Contractor Selection Review, should such remaining bidder desire to have such a review performed.

A request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review may, in Public Works' sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The person or entity requesting a Proposed Contractor Selection Review is a Proposer.

2. The request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified by Public Works).
3. The person or entity requesting a Proposed Contractor Selection Review asserts in appropriate detail with factual reasons one or more of the following grounds for review:
  - a. Public Works materially failed to follow procedures specified in its solicitation document. This includes:
    - i. Failure to correctly apply the standards for reviewing the SOQ format requirements.
    - ii. Failure to correctly apply the standards, and/or follow the prescribed methods, for evaluating the SOQs as specified in the solicitation document.
    - iii. Use of evaluation criteria that were different from the evaluation criteria disclosed in the solicitation document.
  - b. Public Works made identifiable mathematical or other errors in evaluating bids/SOQs, resulting in the Proposer receiving an incorrect score and not being selected as the recommended Contractor.
  - c. For applicable solicitations where responses are evaluated and scored, a member of the Evaluation Committee demonstrated bias in the conduct of the evaluation.
  - d. Another basis for review as provided by State or Federal law.
4. The request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review sets forth sufficient detail to demonstrate that, but for Public Works' alleged failure, the Proposer would have been the lowest-cost, responsive, and responsible bid or the highest-scored SOQ, as the case may be.

Upon completing the Proposed Contractor Selection Review, Public Works representative shall issue a written decision to the Proposer within a reasonable time following receipt of the request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review, and always before the date the Contract award recommendation is to be heard by the Board. The written decision shall additionally instruct the Proposer of the manner and timeframe for requesting a review by a County Review Panel, Paragraph H, below.

#### H. County Review Panel Process

1. Any Proposer that is not satisfied with the results of the Proposed Contractor Selection Review may submit a written request for review by a County Review Panel in the manner and timeframe specified by

Public Works in Public Works' written decision regarding the Proposed Contractor Selection Review.

2. A request for review by a County Review Panel may, in the County's sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:
  - a. The person or entity requesting review by a County Review Panel is a Proposer;
  - b. The request for a review by a County Review Panel is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified by Public Works); and
  - c. The person or entity requesting review by a County Review Panel has limited the request to items raised in the Proposed Contractor Selection Review and new items that (a) arise from Public Works' written decision and (b) are one of the appropriate grounds for requesting a Proposed Contractor Selection Review as listed in Paragraph G above.
3. Upon completion of the County Review Panel's review, the Panel will forward its report to Public Works, which will provide a copy to the Proposer.

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## VERIFICATION OF PROPOSAL

<b>DATE:</b> _____, 2012		<b>THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY DECLARES AS FOLLOWS:</b>	
1. THIS DECLARATION IS GIVEN IN SUPPORT OF A PROPOSAL FOR A CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.			
2. NAME OF SERVICE: _____			
<b>DECLARANT INFORMATION</b>			
3. NAME OF DECLARANT: _____			
4. I AM DULY VESTED WITH THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE AND SIGN INSTRUMENTS FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE PROPOSER(S).			
5. MY TITLE, CAPACITY, OR RELATIONSHIP TO THE PROPOSER(S) IS: _____			
<b>PROPOSER INFORMATION</b>			
6. Proposer's full legal name:		Telephone No.:	
Address:		Fax No.:	
e-mail:	County WebVen No.:	IRS No.:	Business License No.:
7. Proposer's fictitious business name(s) or dba(s) (if any): _____			
County(s) of Registration:		State:	Year(s) became DBA:
8. The Proposer's form of business entity is (CHECK ONLY ONE):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sole proprietor	Name of Proprietor: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> A corporation:	Corporation's principal place of business: _____		
	State of incorporation: _____		Year incorporated: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit corporation certified under IRS 501(c) 3 and registered with the CA Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts	President/CEO: _____		
	Secretary: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> A general partnership:	Names of partners: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> A limited partnership:	Name of general partner: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> A joint venture of:	Names of joint venturers: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> A limited liability company:	Name of managing member: _____		
9. The only persons or firms interested in this proposal as principals are the following:			
Name(s)	Title	Phone	Fax
Street	City	State	Zip
Name(s)	Title	Phone	Fax
Street	City	State	Zip
10. Is your firm wholly or majority owned by, or a subsidiary of another firm? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, name of parent firm: _____ State of incorporation/registration of parent firm: _____			
11. Has your firm done business under any other name(s) within the last five years? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, please list the other name(s): Name(s): _____ Year of name change: _____ Name(s): _____ Year of name change: _____			
12. Is your firm involved in any pending acquisition or merger? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, indicate the associated company's name: _____			
13. Proposer acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this proposal are made, the proposal may be rejected. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and the Director's judgment shall be final.			
14. CHECK ONE:	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) I am making these representations and all representation contained in this proposal on my personal knowledge; <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (b) I am making these representations all representation contained in this proposal based on information and belief that they are true.		
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the above information is true and correct.			
Signature of Proposer or Authorized Agent:			Date:
Type name and title: _____			

SCHEDULE OF PRICES  
FOR  
CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PROGRAM (2011-AN042)

The undersigned Proposer offers to perform the work described in the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) for the following price(s). The Proposer rates shall include all administrative costs, labor, supervision, material, fuel costs, transportation, taxes, equipment, and supplies unless stated otherwise in the RFSQ. It is understood and agreed that where quantities, if any, are set forth in the Schedule of Prices, they are only estimates, and the unit prices quoted, if any, will apply to the actual quantities, whatever they may be.

Contractor agrees to provide bus transportation from a specific pickup location to a specific destination and return to the original pickup location, unless it is a split trip as defined in Paragraph D of Exhibit A. The following rates shall apply and be computed from the point of pickup to the point of return, or to the drop off for a Split Trip. Factors, if any, involved in calculating charges for the Service by Contractor under this Contract shall be included on the attached Rate Form. For example, deadhead hours not reflected in the rates shall be specified and labeled on the attached sheet. Provide rates for each size of coach bus available for Service, such as the rate of a 47-passenger coach bus versus a 56-passenger coach bus. Trips over 5 hours but less than 24 hours in length may be billed using either the proposed hourly rate(s) or mileage rate(s), but not a combination of the two. You may copy and attach additional Rate Form sheets, if needed.

County will reimburse the Contractor for any parking and toll bridge charges incurred on trips.



SCHEDULE OF PRICES  
FOR  
CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PROGRAM (2011-AN042)

LEGAL NAME OF PROPOSER		
SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL		
TITLE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON		
DATE	STATE CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER	LICENSE TYPE
PROPOSER'S ADDRESS		
PHONE	FACSIMILE	EMAIL

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE PROGRAM  
APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION AND CERTIFICATION FORM**

This contract is subject to the County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program) (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203). All contractors and subcontractors must complete this form to either (1) request an exception from the Program requirements or (2) certify compliance. Upon review of the submitted form, the County department will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the bidder or proposer is excepted from the Program.

Company Name:		
Company Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:		
(Type of Goods or Services):		

**If you believe the Jury Service Program does not apply to your business, check the appropriate box in Part I (you must attach documentation to support your claim). If the Jury Service Program applies to your business, complete Part II to certify compliance with the Program. Whether you complete Part I or Part II, sign and date this form.**

**Part I: Jury Service Program Is Not Applicable to My Business**

☐ My business does not meet the definition of "contractor," as defined in the Program as it has not received an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts (this exception is not available if the contract/purchase order itself will exceed \$50,000). I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if my revenues from the County exceed an aggregate sum of \$50,000 in any 12-month period.

☐ My business is a small business as defined in the Program. It 1) has ten or fewer employees; and, 2) has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract, are \$500,000 or less; and, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, as defined below. I understand that the exemption will be lost and I must comply with the Program if the number of employees in my business and my gross annual revenues exceed the above limits.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees, including full-time and part-time employees, and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months, which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.

☐ My business is subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program. **ATTACH THE AGREEMENT.**

**Part II: Certification of Compliance**

☐ My business has and adheres to a written policy that provides, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service for full-time employees of the business who are also California residents, or my company will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract.

**I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.**

Print Name:	Title:
Signature:	Date:

## CONTRACTOR'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY RECORD

PROPOSED CONTRACT FOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
 SERVICE BY PROPOSER \_\_\_\_\_  
 PROPOSAL DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

This information must include all work undertaken in the State of California by the proposer and any partnership, joint venture, or corporation that any principal of the proposer participated in as a principal or owner for the last five calendar years and the current calendar year prior to the date of proposal submittal. Separate information shall be submitted for each particular partnership, joint venture, corporate, or individual proposer. The proposer may attach any additional information or explanation of date which the proposer would like taken into consideration in evaluating the safety record. An explanation must be attached to the circumstances surrounding any and all fatalities.

## 5 CALENDAR YEARS PRIOR TO CURRENT YEAR

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Total	Current Year to Date
1. Number of contracts.							
2. Total dollar amount of Contracts (in thousands of dollars).							
3. Number of fatalities.							
4. Number of lost workday cases.							
5. Number of lost workday cases involving permanent transfer to another job or termination of employment.							
6. Number of lost workdays.							

The above information was compiled from the records that are available to me at this time, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the information is true and accurate within the limitations of those records.

Name of Proposer or Authorized Agent (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

The Proposer shall provide below its total number of Bus Revenue Service Miles, its total number of National Transit Database (NTD) reportable bus accidents and fires, and its total number of bus fatalities, if any, for each of the last five-calendar years. The NTD uses the following Federal Transportation Authority's definition of a reportable accident:

- Five-Calendar Years Prior to Current Year

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City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_



**CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ sole owner  
☐ general partner  
☐ managing member  
☐ President, Secretary, or other proper title) \_\_\_\_\_

 of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of proposer

make this certification in support of a proposal for a contract with the County of Los Angeles for services within the scope of Los Angeles County Code Section 2.180.010, which provides as follows:

**Contracts Prohibited.** A. Notwithstanding any other section of this code, the county shall not contract with, and shall reject any bid or proposal submitted by, the persons or entities specified below, unless the board of supervisors finds that special circumstances exist which justify the approval of such contract.

1. Employees of the county or of public agencies for which the board of supervisors is the governing body;
2. Profit-making firms or businesses in which employees described in subdivision 1 of subsection A serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders;
3. Persons who, within the immediately preceding 12 months, came within the provisions of subdivision 1 of subsection A, and who:
  - (a) Were employed in positions of substantial responsibility in the area of service to be performed by the contract; or
  - (b) Participated in any way in developing the contract of its service specifications; and
4. Profit-making firms or businesses in which the former employees described in subdivision 3 of subsection A, serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders.

I hereby certify I am informed and believe that personnel who developed and/or participated in the preparation of this contract do not fall within scope of the Los Angeles County Code Section 2.180.010 as cited above. Furthermore, that no County employee whose position in the County enables him/her to influence the award of this contract, or any competing contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee is or shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor herein, or has or shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in this contract. I understand and agree that any falsification in this Certificate will be grounds for rejection of this Proposal and cancellation of any contract awarded pursuant to this Proposal.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## PROPOSER'S REFERENCE LIST

PROPOSER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSED CONTRACT FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide a comprehensive reference list of all contracts for goods and/or services provided by the Proposer during the previous three years. Please verify all contact names, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses before listing. Incorrect names, telephone and/or fax numbers, or e-mail addresses will be disregarded. Use additional pages if required.

**A. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AGENCIES**

**All contracts with the County during the previous three years must be listed.**

SERVICE:	SERVICE DATES:
DEPT/ DISTRICT:	
CONTACT:	
TELEPHONE:	
FAX:	
E-MAIL:	

SERVICE:	SERVICE DATES:
DEPT/DISTRICT:	
CONTACT:	
TELEPHONE:	
FAX:	
E-MAIL:	

SERVICE:	SERVICE DATES:
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E-MAIL:	

SERVICE:	SERVICE DATES:
DEPT/DISTRICT:	
CONTACT:	
TELEPHONE:	
FAX:	
E-MAIL:	

**B. OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND PRIVATE COMPANIES**

SERVICE:	SERVICE DATES:
AGENCY/ FIRM:	
ADDRESS:	
CONTACT:	
TELEPHONE:	
FAX:	
E-MAIL:	

SERVICE:	SERVICE DATES:
AGENCY/ FIRM:	
ADDRESS:	
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TELEPHONE:	
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SERVICE:	SERVICE DATES:
AGENCY/ FIRM:	
ADDRESS:	
CONTACT:	
TELEPHONE:	
FAX:	
E-MAIL:	

## PROPOSER'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CERTIFICATION

Proposer's Name
Address
Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

In accordance with Los Angeles County Code Section 4.32.010, the Proposer certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

1.	The proposer has a written policy statement prohibiting any discrimination in all phases of employment.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
2.	The proposer periodically conducts a self- analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
3.	The proposer has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
4.	Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the proposer has a system for taking reasonable corrective action to include establishment of goals and timetables.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

Authorized representative	
Signature	Date

## LIST OF SUBCONTRACTORS

Proposer is required to complete the following. Any Subcontractors listed must be properly licensed under the laws of the State of California for the type of service that they are to perform, AND THEIR LICENSE NUMBERS MUST BE LISTED HEREIN. Failure to do so may result in delay of the award of contract. Do not list alternate subcontractors for the same service.

- ☐ Proposer in providing the requested services will not utilize Subcontractors. Proposer will perform all required services.

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**County of Los Angeles**  
**Request for Local Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Preference Program Consideration and**  
**CBE Firm/Organization Information Form**

All proposers responding to the Request for Proposals must complete and return this form for proper consideration of the proposal.

FIRM NAME:

My County (WebVen) Vendor Number:

**I. LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM:**

☐ As Local SBE certified by the County of Los Angeles Office of Affirmative Action Compliance as of the date of this proposal/bid's submission, I request this proposal/bid be considered for the Local SBE Preference.

☐ Attached is a copy of Local SBE certification issued by the County.

**II. FIRM/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:** The information requested below is for statistical purposes only. On final analysis and consideration of award, contractor/vendor will be selected without regard to race/ethnicity, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.

<b>Business Structure:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietorship	<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit	<input type="checkbox"/> Franchise	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify):						
<b>Total Number of Employees</b> (including owners):						
<b>Race/Ethnic Composition of Firm.</b> Please distribute the above total number of individuals into the following categories:						
Race/Ethnic Composition	Owners/Partners/ Associate Partners		Managers		Staff	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Black/African American						
Hispanic/Latino						
Asian or Pacific Islander						
American Indian						
Filipino						
White						

**III. PERCENTAGE OF OWNERSHIP IN FIRM:** Please indicate by percentage (%) how ownership of the firm is distributed.

	Black/African American	Hispanic/ Latino	Asian or Pacific Islander	American Indian	Filipino	White
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Women	%	%	%	%	%	%

**IV. CERTIFICATION AS MINORITY, WOMEN, DISADVANTAGED, AND DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES:** If your firm is currently certified as a minority, women, disadvantaged or disabled veteran owned business enterprise by a public agency, complete the following and attach a copy of your proof of certification. (Use back of form, if necessary.)

Agency Name	Minority	Women	Disadvantaged	Disabled Veteran	Expiration Date

**V. DECLARATION: I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.**

Authorized Signature:	Title:	Date:

**GAIN and GROW EMPLOYMENT COMMITMENT**

The undersigned:

- ☐ has hired participants from the County's Department of Social Services' Greater Avenue for Independence (GAIN) and General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) employment programs.

**OR**

- ☐ declares a willingness to consider GAIN and GROW participants for any future employment opening if participant(s) meet the minimum qualification for that opening, and

declares a willingness to provide employed GAIN and GROW participants access to proposer's employee mentoring program(s), if available, to assist those individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

Signature	Title
Firm Name	Date

## TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST AN RFSQ SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

***A Solicitation Requirements Review must be received by the County  
within 10 business days of issuance of the solicitation document***

Proposer Name:	Date of Request:
Project Title:	Project No.

A **Solicitation Requirements Review** is being requested because the Proposer asserts that they are being unfairly disadvantaged for the following reason(s): *(check all that apply)*

- ☐ Application of **Minimum Requirements**
- ☐ Application of **Evaluation Criteria**
- ☐ Application of **Business Requirements**
- ☐ Due to **unclear instructions**, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses

I understand that this request must be received by the County within **10 business days** of issuance of the solicitation document.

For each area contested, Proposer must explain in detail the factual reasons for the requested review.  
*(Attach additional pages and supporting documentation as necessary.)*

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Request submitted by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Name)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Title)*

***For County use only***

Date Transmittal Received by County: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Solicitation Released: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Results of Review - Comments:

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Date Response sent to Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION**


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 Company Name

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 Address

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 Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

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 California Registry of Charitable Trusts "CT" number (if applicable)

The Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) added requirements to California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act which regulates those receiving and raising charitable contributions.

<b>CERTIFICATION</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Proposer or Contractor has examined its activities and determined that it does not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act. If Proposer engages in activities subjecting it to those laws during the term of a County contract, it will timely comply with them and provide County a copy of its initial registration with the California State Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts when filed.	(   )	(   )

**OR**

Proposer or Contractor is registered with the California Registry of Charitable Trusts under the CT number listed above and is in compliance with its registration and reporting requirements under California law. Attached is a copy of its most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts as required by Title 11 California Code of Regulations, sections 300-301 and Government Code sections 12585-12586.	(   )	(   )
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 Signature

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 Date

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 Name and Title (please type or print)



## TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE APPLICATION

COMPANY NAME:		
COMPANY ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:

- ☐ I am not requesting consideration under the County's Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program.

**I hereby certify that I meet all the requirements for this program:**

- ☐ My business is a non-profit corporation qualified under Internal Revenue Services Code - Section 501(c)(3) and has been such for three years (*attach IRS Determination Letter*);
- ☐ I have submitted my three most recent annual tax returns with my application;
- ☐ I have been in operation for at least one year providing transitional job and related supportive services to program participants; and
- ☐ I have submitted a profile of our program; including a description of its components designed to help the program participants, number of past program participants and any other information requested by the contracting department.

**I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information herein is true and correct.**

PRINT NAME:	TITLE:
SIGNATURE:	DATE:

**REVIEWED BY COUNTY:**

SIGNATURE OF REVIEWER	APPROVED	DISAPPROVED	DATE

# PROPOSER'S LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS

PROPOSER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Proposer has not had any contracts terminated in the past three years.

Proposer must list all contracts that have been terminated within the past three years. Terminated contracts are those contracts terminated by an agency or firm before the contract's expiration date. If a contract(s) was terminated, please attach an explanation on a separate sheet, whether the termination was at the fault of the Proposer or not. Any and all terminated contracts should be accompanied with an explanation. It should be noted that contracts that naturally expired need not be listed. The County is only seeking information on contracts that were terminated prior to expiration.

SERVICE:	TERMINATING DATE:
NAME OF TERMINATING FIRM	
ADDRESS OF FIRM	
CONTACT PERSON:	
TELEPHONE:	
FAX:	
E-MAIL:	

SERVICE:	TERMINATING DATE:
NAME OF TERMINATING FIRM	
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E-MAIL:	

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPOSER'S PENDING LITIGATIONS AND JUDGMENTS**

Proposer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Proposer and/or principals are **not** currently involved in any pending litigation; are not aware of any threatened litigation where they would be a party; and have not had any judgments entered against them within the last five years as of the date of proposal submission.

Proposer and/or principals of the Proposer must list below (use additional pages if necessary) all pending litigation, threatened litigation, and/or any judgments entered against them within the last five years as of the date of proposal submission.

A. ☐ Pending Litigation      ☐ Threatened Litigation      ☐ Judgment (check one)

1. Against ☐ Proposer; ☐ Principal; ☐ Both (check as appropriate)
2. Name of Litigation/Judgment: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Court of Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Please provide a statement describing the size and scope of the pending/threatened litigation or judgment (use additional page if necessary):

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B. ☐ Pending Litigation      ☐ Threatened Litigation      ☐ Judgment (check one)

1. Against ☐ Proposer; ☐ Principal; ☐ Both (check as appropriate)
2. Name of Litigation/Judgment: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Court of Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Please provide a statement describing the size and scope of the pending/threatened litigation or judgment (use additional page if necessary):

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Signature of Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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PROPOSER'S INSURANCE COMPLIANCE AFFIRMATION

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Proposer's Name

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Address

- ☐ If awarded the contract: Proposer will comply with the insurance coverage provisions set forth in Exhibit B, Section 5, Indemnification and Insurance Requirements of this Request for Proposals, and Proposer will procure, maintain, and provide the County with proof of insurance coverage in the coverage amounts and types specified in Exhibit B, Section 5 throughout the entire term of the proposed contract, without interruption or break in coverage.
- ☐ If you check this box, your proposal will be determined nonresponsive and your proposal will be disqualified. Proposer will not comply with the insurance coverage provisions set forth in Exhibit B, Section 5, Indemnification and Insurance Requirements of this Request for Proposals, and Proposer will not procure, maintain, and provide the County with proof of insurance coverage in the coverage amounts and types specified in Exhibit B, Section 5 throughout the entire term of the proposed contract, without interruption or break in coverage.

Signature of Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S  
DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM**

The Proposer certifies that:

- ☐ It is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206; **AND**

To the best of its knowledge, after a reasonable inquiry, the Proposer/Bidder/Contractor is not in default, as that term is defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.020.E, on any Los Angeles County property tax obligation; **AND**

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor agrees to comply with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program during the term of any awarded contract.

**-OR-**

I am exempt from the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.060, for the following reason:

*I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.*

Print Name:	Title:
Signature:	Date:

**DISPLACED TRANSIT EMPLOYEE DECLARATION**

In accordance with California Labor Code Sections 1070-1074, the County will give a preference to any proposer who declares on this form that they will retain the employees of the prior contractor and/or subcontractor. The undersigned declares:

- ☐ that the Proposer will retain the employees of the prior contractor and/or subcontractor for a period of not less than 90 days pursuant to California Labor Code 1070-1074. If this box is checked, the 10 percent preference will be given.

**OR**

- ☐ that the Proposer does NOT agree to retain the employees of the prior contractor or subcontractor for a period of 90 days pursuant to California Labor Code 1070-1074. If this box is checked, the 10 percent preference will NOT be given.

Signature	Title
Firm Name	Date

TELEPHONE:

Please list one (1) item per line; DO NOT submit an equipment list in your own format. This form may be reproduced in order to list all equipment.

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**CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROGRAM (2011-AN042)  
PROPOSER'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF THE RFSQ**

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**PROPOSER MUST CHECK A BOX IN EVERY SECTION**

**At the time of proposal submission, Proposer must meet the following minimum requirements:**

1. Proposer must have three years of experience providing charter bus transportation services.

- ☐ Yes. Proposer does meet the experience requirement stated above. (In addition to responding on this form, as specified in Part I, Section 2.A.5, Experience, please provide a detailed narrative in your proposal to support this minimum mandatory requirement in order to provide for a meaningful evaluation.)

No. of Years	Description of Service

- ☐ No. Proposer **does not** meet the experience requirement stated above. **If you check this box, your proposal will be immediately disqualified as nonresponsive.**

2. Proposer's Management Staff must have three years of experience providing charter bus transportation services.

- ☐ Yes. Proposer's Management does met the experience requirement stated above. (In addition to responding on this form, as specified in Part I, Section 2.A.5, Experience, please provide a detailed narrative in your proposal to support this minimum mandatory requirement in order to provide for a meaningful evaluation.)

Name	No. of Years	Description

- ☐ No. Proposer's Management Staff does not meet the experience requirement stated above. **If you check this box, your proposal will be immediately disqualified as nonresponsive.**

3. Proposer has passed all California Highway Patrol (CHP) Safety Compliance Inspections (or passed all reinspections) of the Proposer's maintenance facilities or terminals to be used for



the proposed contract for the prior three 13-month inspections (California Vehicle Code 34501(c).

- ☐ Yes. Proposer does meet the minimum mandatory requirement stated above and has received a "**Satisfactory**" rating on the CHP's Safety Compliance Inspections (or passed all reinspections) of the Proposer's maintenance facilities or terminals to be used for the proposed contract for the prior three 13-month inspections.
- ☐ Proposer has received an "**Unsatisfactory**" rating on the CHP's Safety Compliance Inspections of the Proposer's maintenance facilities or terminals to be used for the proposed contract for the prior three 13-month inspections, however, has remedied the problem by means of receiving a "**Conditional**" or "**Satisfactory**" rating within the CHP's 120-day reinspection period and/or received a "**Conditional**" rating and upgraded to a "**Satisfactory**" rating within the CHP's 180-day reinspection period as evidenced by the CHP Safety Compliance Inspection reports attached to proposal.
- ☐ No. Proposer **does not** meet the minimum mandatory requirement stated above. Proposer has received an "**Unsatisfactory**" rating and **did not** upgrade the rating to a "**Conditional**" or "**Satisfactory**" within the CHP's 120-day reinspection periods and/or received a "**Conditional**" rating and **did not** upgrade the rating to "**Satisfactory**" within the CHP 180-day reinspection period, whether on the initial inspection or the CHP reinspection, the Proposer will have failed this criteria. **If you check this box, your proposal will be immediately disqualified as non-responsive.**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above information is true and accurate.

Proposer's Name:	
Address:	
Authorized representative:	
Signature:	Date:

# CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PROGRAM (2011-AN042)

## PROPOSER'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATION/LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THE RFSQ

### PROPOSER MUST CHECK A BOX IN EVERY SECTION AND SUBMIT NAMES OF CERTIFIED/LICENSED PERSONNEL

At the time of proposal submission, Proposer must meet the following Certification/Licensing requirements:

1. Proposer has submitted copy of a valid and active charter license or certificate issued by the California Public Utilities Commission.

- ☐ Yes. Proposer has submitted copy of a valid and active charter license or certificate issued by the California Public Utilities Commission. (In addition to responding on this form, as specified in Part I, Section 2.A.10, Licenses and Certifications, please provide copies in your proposal and provide the names of the staff assigned to this Contract and indicate type of certification they possess to support this minimum mandatory requirement).

Type of License / Certificate	License / Certificate No.	Valid/Active Dates

- ☐ No. Proposer **did not** submit copy of a valid and active charter license or certificate issued by the California Public Utilities Commission **If you check this box, your proposal will be immediately disqualified as nonresponsive.**

2. Proposer has submitted copies of the Proposer's, employees', and/or subcontractors' valid State of California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Class B (with "P" endorsement) commercial driver's licenses as well as any other required licenses or endorsements required by Federal, State, and local regulations.

- ☐ Yes. Proposer has submitted copies of the Proposer's, employees', and/or subcontractors' valid State of California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Class B (with "P" endorsement) commercial driver's licenses as well as any other required licenses or endorsements required by Federal, State, and local regulations. (In addition to responding on this form, as specified in Part I, Section 2.A.10, Licenses and Certifications, please provide copies in your proposal and provide the names of the staff assigned to this Contract and indicate type of certification they possess to support this minimum mandatory requirement).

Employees with DMV Class B (with "P" endorsements)			
Employee Name	Class of Driver's License	"P" endorsement (Yes or No)	Valid/Active Dates

- ☐ No. Proposer **did not** submit copies of the Proposer's, employees', and/or subcontractors' valid State of California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Class B (with "P" endorsement) commercial driver's licenses as well as any other required licenses or endorsements required by Federal, State, and local regulations. **If you check this box, your proposal will be immediately disqualified as nonresponsive.**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above information is true and accurate.

Proposer's Name:	
Address:	
Authorized representative:	
Signature:	Date:



## ATTACHMENT 1

### **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

#### ***Policy on Doing Business With Small Business***

Forty-two percent of businesses in Los Angeles County have five or fewer employees. Only about four percent of businesses in the area exceed 100 employees. According to the Los Angeles Times and local economists, it is not large corporations, but these small companies that are generating new jobs and helping move Los Angeles County out of its worst recession in decades.

#### **WE RECOGNIZE...**

##### **The importance of small business to the County:**

- In fueling local economic growth.
- Providing new jobs.
- Creating new local tax revenues.
- Offering new entrepreneurial opportunity to those historically under-represented in business.

##### **The County can play a positive role in helping small business grow:**

- As a multi-billion dollar purchaser of goods and services.
- As a broker of intergovernmental cooperation among numerous local jurisdictions.
- By greater outreach in providing information and training.
- By simplifying the bid/proposal process.
- By maintaining selection criteria which are fair to all.
- By streamlining the payment process.

#### **WE THEREFORE SHALL:**

1. Constantly seek to streamline and simplify our processes for selecting our vendors and for conducting business with them.
2. Maintain a strong outreach program, fully coordinated among our departments and districts, as well as other participating governments to: (a) inform and assist the local business community in competing to provide goods and services; and, (b) provide for ongoing dialogue with and involvement by the business community in implementing this policy.
3. Continually review and revise how we package and advertise solicitations, evaluate and select prospective vendors, address subcontracting, and conduct business with our vendors, in order to: (a) expand opportunity for small business to compete for our business; and, (b) to further opportunities for all businesses to compete regardless of size.
4. Ensure that staff who manage and carry out the business of purchasing goods and services are well-trained, capable, and highly motivated to carry out the letter and spirit of this policy.

## Listing of Contractors Debarred in Los Angeles County

<b>Vendor Name:</b>	G COAST CONSTRUCTION INC.		
<b>Alias:</b>			
<b>Debarment Start Date:</b>	9/11/2007	<b>Debarment End Date:</b>	9/10/2012
<b>Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:</b>	Ezra Levi		
<b>Vendor Name:</b>	INSPECTION ENGINEERING CONSTR		
<b>Alias:</b>	Inspection Engineering Construction		
<b>Debarment Start Date:</b>	6/13/2006	<b>Debarment End Date:</b>	6/12/2016
<b>Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:</b>	Jamal Deaifi		
<b>Vendor Name:</b>	ARROWHEAD EMANCIPATION PROGRAM, INC.,		
<b>Alias:</b>			
<b>Debarment Start Date:</b>	7/08/2008	<b>Debarment End Date:</b>	PERMANENT DEBARMENT
<b>Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:</b>	Irma F. Reed and Charlene Williams		
<b>Vendor Name:</b>	SAEICO, INC.		
<b>Alias:</b>			
<b>Debarment Start Date:</b>	10/18/2011	<b>Debarment End Date:</b>	10/17/2016
<b>Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:</b>	Godwin Iwunze, Sam Soho Nor		
<b>Vendor Name:</b>	SAM SOHO NOR, AN INDIVIDUAL		
<b>Alias:</b>			
<b>Debarment Start Date:</b>	10/18/2011	<b>Debarment End Date:</b>	10/17/2019
<b>Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:</b>			

# County of Los Angeles *Lobbyist Ordinance*



**IT'S THE LAW**

## It may affect you!

Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code requires Lobbyists, Lobbying Firms and Lobbyist Employers to register with the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors. This ordinance imposes extensive reporting requirements on individuals, businesses and other organizations. It places restrictions on the activities of anyone seeking to influence an official action of the County of Los Angeles including actions of the Board of Supervisors or the granting or denial of County contracts, licenses, permits, grants and franchises.

### YOU MAY BE CONSIDERED A COUNTY LOBBYIST

If you are compensated to communicate directly (or through agents) with any County official for the purpose of influencing official action, then you may be required to register with the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors. The requirement to register is the same whether you are an employee of, or on contract with, a firm or organization with business before the County. Additionally, an individual or business entity may be considered a County Lobbying Firm if it receives compensation to influence the County on behalf of any **other** persons or businesses. An individual, business entity or organization that employs or contracts with another individual or firm to represent or make contacts with a County agency on their behalf to influence County action may be considered a County Lobbyist Employer who must also register. If in doubt, it is best to register.

Furthermore, each person or entity who is not otherwise required to register as a County Lobbyist, Lobbying Firm or Lobbyist Employer, but who directly or indirectly expends \$5,000 or more during a calendar quarter to influence official action need not register BUT must report the expenditure to the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors on a form available from the Executive Office.

### REGISTERING IS IMPORTANT

Failure to comply with the ordinance may subject offending Lobbyists, Lobbying Firms, and Lobbyist Employers to **serious penalties including fines up to \$2,000 and denial of contracts, licenses, permits, grants or franchises. Moreover, some violators may be refused permission to address the Board of Supervisors or any County commission.**

### HERE'S HOW TO COMPLY WITH THE LAW

Within 10 days of qualifying as a County Lobbyist, Lobbying Firm, or Lobbyist Employer as described in the ordinance, you must register with the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors.

Registering with the County is easy. To receive a copy of the ordinance and registration forms, or to receive additional information or answers to specific questions, please contact the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors at the following address or you may call one of the following telephone numbers:

Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall Of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

(213) 974-1093      (213) 974-1578

A copy of the ordinance is available for your review at this County facility or on the Internet.

<http://bos.co.la.ca.us/>

Thank you for your cooperation and attention.

# Part II

## Sample Agreement



BY AND BETWEEN

THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

AND

[NAME OF CONTRACTOR]

FOR

CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PROGRAM  
(2011 – AN042)

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SAMPLE AGREEMENT FOR  
CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PROGRAM (2011-AN042)

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012, by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a subdivision of the State of California, a body corporate and politic (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY) and [Name of CONTRACTOR], a [Form of Entity] (hereinafter referred to as CONTRACTOR).

WITNESSETH

FIRST: The CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter set forth and the acceptance by the Board of Supervisors of said COUNTY of the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal filed with the COUNTY on \_\_\_\_\_, 2012, hereby agrees to provide services as described in this Contract for Charter Bus Transportation Services Program.

SECOND: This AGREEMENT, together with Exhibit A, Scope of Work; Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements; Exhibit C, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015; Exhibit D, Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters; Exhibit E, Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program; Exhibit F, Eligible Recreational Transit Service Area; Exhibit G, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Special Event Transportation; Exhibit H, Controlled Substance and Testing Program; Exhibit I, Transit Security Plan; the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, all attached hereto; the Request for Proposals; and Addenda to the Request for Proposals, all of which are incorporated herein by reference, are agreed by the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR to constitute the Contract.

THIRD: The COUNTY agrees, in consideration of satisfactory performance of the foregoing services in strict accordance with the Contract specifications to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works, to pay the CONTRACTOR pursuant to the Schedule of Prices set forth in the Proposal and attached hereto as Form PW-2, an amount not to exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_ per year or such greater amount as the Board may approve (Maximum Contract Sum).

FOURTH: The COUNTY will request service from the lowest-cost contractor for the type of bus service required. In the event that the lowest-cost contractor does not have the desired bus(es) available to provide service within the COUNTY'S time frame, the COUNTY will then request service from the next lowest-cost contractor for the type of bus(es) required and so on until the COUNTY'S requirement is filled. The lowest cost is based on the contractor's most current and approved Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices, and, if applicable, adjusted for the Local SBE Preference, Transitional Job Opportunities Preference and/or Displaced Transit Employee Preference. For each individual service trip, the COUNTY will determine the lowest-cost contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties understand and agree that this Contract is nonexclusive, the COUNTY may enter into other contracts for the performance of the same or similar services at any time, and the CONTRACTOR is not entitled to or guaranteed the assignment of any work.

FIFTH: This Contract shall be for a period of \_\_\_\_ months commencing on \_\_\_\_\_ through and including June 30, 2017. Upon notice of at least ten days, the

Director may extend the contract term on a month-to-month basis, not to exceed a total of six months, for the convenience of the COUNTY.

SIXTH: The CONTRACTOR shall bill monthly, in arrears, for the work performed during the preceding month. Work performed shall be billed at the hourly rates and/or unit prices quoted in the CONTRACTOR'S most current and approved Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices

SEVENTH: The COUNTY will make payment to the CONTRACTOR within 30 days of receipt and approval of a properly completed invoice. Each invoice shall be in triplicate (original and two copies) and shall itemize the services provided. The COUNTY agrees to pay the cost of services requested by the COUNTY and provided by the CONTRACTOR based upon established rates indicated on the CONTRACTOR'S most current and approved Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices. Included with the COUNTY'S receipt of the CONTRACTOR'S claim, the CONTRACTOR shall also submit to the COUNTY the following documentation attached to the billing: departmental confirmation sheets, driver trip logs, mileage logs, and passenger counts. The COUNTY reserves the right to require the CONTRACTOR to submit additional pertinent documentation, when so needed. The Contract number awarded to the CONTRACTOR upon Contract execution shall be clearly written on their billing invoices submitted to the COUNTY. Additional information may be requested by the COUNTY regarding any trip to ensure the proper processing of invoices.

The invoices shall be submitted to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works  
Attention Fiscal Division, Accounts Payable  
P.O. Box 7508  
Alhambra, CA 91802-7508

EIGHTH: In no event shall the aggregate total amount of compensation paid to the CONTRACTOR exceed the amount of compensation authorized by the Board. Such aggregate total amount is the Maximum Contract Sum.

NINTH: The CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that only the designated Public Works Contract Manager is authorized to request or order work under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the designated Contract Manager is not authorized to request or order any work that would result in the CONTRACTOR earning an aggregate compensation in excess of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum.

TENTH: The CONTRACTOR shall not perform or accept work requests from the Contract Manager or any other person that will cause the Maximum Contract Sum of this Contract to be exceeded. CONTRACTOR shall monitor the balance of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum. When the total of the CONTRACTOR'S paid invoices, invoices pending payment, invoices yet to be submitted, and ordered services reaches 75 percent of the Maximum Contract Sum, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Contract Manager in writing. The CONTRACTOR shall send written notification to the Contract Manager when this Contract is within six months from expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COUNTY has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused these presents to be subscribed by the Director of Public Works, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed its name by and through its duly authorized officers, as of the day, month, and year first written above.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Director of Public Works

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI  
Acting County Counsel

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

[NAME OF CONTRACTOR]

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Its President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Type or Print Name

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Its Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Type or Print Name

SCOPE OF WORK

CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PROGRAM

A. Public Works Contract Manager

Public Works Contract Manager will be Mr. William Yan of Programs Development Division, who may be contacted at (626) 458-3961, e-mail address: [wyang@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:wyang@dpw.lacounty.gov), Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The Contract Manager and/or his designee(s) are the only persons authorized by Public Works to request work of the Contractor. From time to time, Public Works may change the Contract Manager. The Contractor will be notified in writing when there is a change in Contract Manager.

B. Work Location

Services are provided within/to the counties of Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura, as shown Exhibit F, in Eligible Recreational Transit Service Area. There is no guaranteed minimum or maximum number of bus orders for any one day, week, month, or year.

Services that are provided within or to the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura Counties, and portions of Kern, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties are eligible for full Proposition A funding. For destinations outside the eligible area but within proportionally eligible areas (i.e., Imperial, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara Counties), groups will provide to the Contractor, on the day of the trip, a portion of the cost that is outside the area for full Proposition A funding. Trips to a location that is not within either the eligible or proportionately eligible area will not be funded by County. Exhibit F shows which areas are proportionally eligible for this Service.

C. Work Description

The Charter Bus Transportation Services Program (Service) is offered to groups that have requested transportation assistance to recreational functions and/or activities. Bus styles to be used include, but are not limited to, school buses, coach buses, transit buses, vans, and limousine services.

The work to be accomplished in accordance with this scope of work shall be the implementation of the Service for residents of the County.

The County reserves the right to determine if any work is or will be needed and/or requested under this Contract, at the County's sole and absolute discretion. The Contractor waives all claims against the County for consequential damages resulting from the County's failure to use the Contractor's services including, but not limited to, lost profit.

D. Experience

A minimum of three years of experience in the provision of charter bus transportation services is required of the Contractor and its management staff.

E. Service Requirements

1. Service shall start from and return to points designated by County. Service pickup and destination locations will be anywhere within the Counties of Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura. Pickup and destination locations may be limited by Contractor when necessary, with the approval of the Contract Manager.
2. Contractor shall remain with groups from initial pickup to the final drop-off unless the trip as determined by County, at its sole discretion, is set up as a Split Trip. County will inform Contractor of Split Trips via telephone and on the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Special Event Transportation Confirmation Form (Special Event Transportation Form) (Exhibit G). A Split Trip means that there are two separate trips. The first trip takes the group to their destination and the second trip returns the group to their place of origin.

Chargeable Service to County is as follows:

Regular Trips are from the initial point of pickup to the destination and back to the point of return (plus applicable Deadhead). Deadhead is defined as the distance between the Contractor's facility and the pick up location.

Split Trips are from:

- a) The initial point of pickup to the destination (plus applicable Deadhead), and
  - b) The destination to the point of return (plus applicable Deadhead).
3. During Public Works normal business hours (Monday through Thursday, 7:15 a.m. to 6 p.m.), Contractor shall confirm the availability of Service within one hour of the County's telephone request. The County's telephone request for Service will include trip date, pickup location(s), destination(s), pickup and return times, the type of and number of buses needed, and whether the trip is a Split Trip. Once the County has received an oral confirmation for Service from Contractor, County will send via facsimile or a method specified by the Contract Manager, a Special Event Transportation Form (Exhibit G) to Contractor. Each Special Event Transportation Form will have a confirmation number beginning with "PWX" assigned to it. Contractor shall return the Special Event



Transportation Form, signed and dated, via facsimile or a method approved by the Contract Manager, to County within 24 hours during normal business hours as confirmation of Contractor's ability to provide the specified Service.

During weekends and after hours and/or when less than 24 hours remains before Service is required, County will contact Contractor, via telephone, to request Service from Contractor. County will provide the date, contact person, pickup location, destination, pickup and return times, and the type and number of buses needed. Contractor shall confirm the ability to provide the requested approval. If Contractor accepts Service, County will send, via facsimile or a method specified by the Contract Manager, a Special Event Form to the Contractor no later than the next business day.

4. Contractor shall not communicate directly with groups to reserve buses for trips that are pending authorization from County or trips that have yet to be submitted to County for approval. Buses reserved in this manner will be nonchargeable to the County due to prearrangements between requesting groups and Contractor.
5. Contractor shall have a live dispatch service operating during normal business hours (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and be available by telephone after normal business hours, including weekends and holidays. Contractor's dispatch shall have a constant two-way communication with each charter bus in service under the terms of this Contract.
6. Contractor shall call the County's Interactive Voice Recognition system (IVR) at least 90 minutes before the scheduled pickup time, or within a timeframe approved by the Contract Manager. If IVR is not responding, Contractor must connect to a live person by dialing zero.
7. Contractor shall call IVR when the driver arrived at the pick-up location and made contact with the group. For Split Trips, this notification is also required from the Contractor to inform the County that the assigned driver has made contact with the group at the destination (pickup location). If IVR is not responding, Contractor must connect to a live person by dialing zero.
8. Whenever Contractor has notice or knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of Service to be provided herein under this Contract, Contractor shall immediately give notice to County via telephone. Contractor shall consult with County to determine the best method or course of action to alleviate or avoid such delay and shall take such action thereafter in this matter as directed by Contract Manager.

9. Contractor shall not make changes to Service unless the changes are requested directly by the Contract Managers.
10. Contractor shall promptly notify the Contract Manager or designee and request guidance when 1) Contractor's employees are made aware of an occurrence, change in itinerary, or other fact that, if known to the County, might affect the group's permission to use the Service or the scope of the permission; 2) Contractor learns of an existing or potential threat to the safety and security of the passengers, public and/or driver; or, 3) Contractor gains information that may reduce or increase the fees chargeable to the County for the Service. Examples include but are not limited to:
  - a) If a group cancels with Contractor prior to the trip or at the pickup time.
  - b) If a group is able to fully occupy fewer buses than requested.
  - c) If group payment (share of cost for areas outside the Eligible Recreational Transit Service Area, Exhibit F), as noted by County on the confirmation form, is not paid to Contractor prior to group boarding the bus.
  - d) If continuing with the trip will jeopardize the safety of the passengers and/or the general public.
  - e) If any illegal substances are discovered on board the bus.
11. If a serious incident occurs during a Service trip, Contractor shall immediately notify the Contract Manager by phone and email and provide a written report of the incident by the following business day. Examples of a serious incident: traffic accident; bus breakdown; passengers who damage/graffiti the bus or bring illegal substances on board; any incident involving law enforcement; etc. On the report, explain the type of incident and names of involved parties, such as the group coordinator's name(s), chaperone(s)' name(s), bus driver's name, name and phone number of law enforcement officer(s), etc.
  - a) For any other reasons requested by Contract Manager during the term of the contract.

F. School Pupil Activity Bus and Driver

If Contractor agrees to perform School Pupil Activity Bus (SPAB) trips, which are transporting school pupils Kindergarten through 12th grade level, and the trip is labeled or identified as a school activity, function, or school-sponsored trip, Contractor shall ensure that all chartered buses and all assigned drivers are SPAB-certified.

G. Hours and Days of Service

Service shall be available on a 24-hour per day basis, Monday through Sunday, including holidays. Work hours and days may be limited by the Contractor when necessary, with the approval of the Contract Manager.

H. Equipment Requirements

a) Contractor shall:

1. At its sole cost and expense, have sufficient buses and assigned drivers available to provide Service for each trip requested by County and confirmed by Contractor.
2. At its sole cost and expense, register and license such buses and equipment as necessary or required to operate said buses and equipment on public roads and streets.
3. Inspect, maintain, and repair wheelchair lifts or ramps to assure safe and proper operation and to ensure ADA compliance, if Contractor agreed to provide wheelchair-accessible buses for this Service. Wheelchair lifts or ramps shall be fully operational whenever a wheelchair-accessible bus is confirmed by Contractor and County for Service, otherwise Contractor could be subject to Liquidated Damages as described in this Exhibit's paragraph V, Liquidated Damages.
4. In the event that towing of any Service bus is required due to mechanical failure, damage, or any other reason, be responsible to provide such towing at Contractor's sole expense. Towing may be subcontracted.
5. Not place advertisements on buses providing this Service unless written authorization is obtained from Contract Manager. The terms and conditions of any such advertising shall be subject to approval by Contract Manager. Proceeds of the advertisement will be remitted to County. Contract Manager's decisions on these matters shall be final.

b) In-Service Vehicle Breakdown:

In the event of a bus breakdown, the maximum response time shall be 45 minutes from the time of the scheduled pick up for additional buses to be made available for the patrons to continue on to their destination.

I. Maintenance of Service Vehicles

All buses used in Service shall be maintained, at a minimum, to the bus manufacturer's recommended preventive maintenance program and be safe for operation on public roads, streets, and freeways. All buses shall be free of graffiti and any obvious damage to the interior and exterior and shall be thoroughly cleaned prior to the operation of Service. The interior passenger compartments of vehicles shall be free of fumes from the engine, engine compartment, and exhaust system of vehicles.

All buses, bus equipment and other equipment and facilities required by this Contract will be maintained in good order and repair and in good condition satisfactory to Contract Manager.

Contractor, at its sole cost and expense, shall provide all fuel, lubricants, repairs, cleaning, parts, supplies, labor, maintenance, major components, and component rebuilding and replacement along with the necessary service facilities to provide the maintenance required for the operation of all equipment pursuant to this Contract. Contractor shall be fully responsible for the maintenance of all vehicles, radios, passenger counters, and all equipment to be used to perform this Contract in strict conformity to California Highway Patrol (CHP) regulations and orders. Contractor's duty and responsibility to maintain all vehicles and equipment cannot be delegated to any other person, firm, or corporation without prior written approval of Contract Manager.

Contractor shall pay particular attention to the CHP Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. Each vehicle is required to be inspected annually by Contract Manager and/or by CHP. Contract Manager shall be immediately notified of inspections performed by a governmental agency other than County. The results of inspections shall be provided to Contract Manager within 24 hours, and any applicable signed certification shall be displayed or carried on the vehicles. Contractor shall expeditiously correct any deficiencies on any CHP vehicle inspection report and advise Contract Manager upon doing so.

Contractor shall maintain a "Satisfactory" California Highway Patrol (CHP) terminal inspection rating throughout the life of this Contract. If Contractor receives a rating below "Satisfactory" (including "Conditional" or "Unsatisfactory") from the CHP, Contractor shall so notify Contract Manager immediately and outline the steps that shall be taken to correct each deficiency. Failure of the Contractor to take the necessary actions to improve their Terminal inspection rating to a "Satisfactory" rating within nine (9) months will be grounds for termination and/or suspension of the Contract. Contractor shall not seek additional compensation of any costs incurred to meet the requirements in this paragraph.

a. Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning

The Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems shall be maintained and used to ensure that the passenger compartment temperature is comfortably maintained under all climatic conditions at all times while vehicles are in Service. Contractor shall maintain the HVAC systems in an operable condition at all times.

b. Spare Parts

Contractor shall establish and maintain an ongoing spare parts inventory sufficient to maintain Service vehicles in operating condition at all times.

c. Diesel Vehicle Smoke Inspections

In compliance with the California Air Resources Board's Periodic Smoke Inspection Program, the Contractor shall ensure that diesel Service vehicles receive the required annual inspections and retain the inspection records in accordance with this Exhibit. Additional information about the Periodic Smoke Inspection Program can be obtained at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/enf/hdvip.htm>.

J. Communications

a. Service Vehicle Communication Equipment

Contractor shall provide mobile phones or two-way radio communication equipment for all vehicles utilized in Service. The communication equipment used shall provide complete coverage throughout the service area for all vehicles utilized in Service.

Contractor shall provide the necessary communication equipment for a base station and a sufficient number of "repeater stations" to permit uninterrupted communication between the dispatch center and vehicles while in Service. Contractor shall be responsible for proper maintenance of said equipment on all vehicles and shall comply with all applicable Federal statutes and regulations in connection with such use.

Contractor shall be responsible for licensing of radio communication equipment. Citizen's Band communication equipment is not acceptable.

b. Internet Access, E-Mail

Contractor shall maintain Internet access and valid e-mail addresses throughout the duration of this Contract. Contractor shall provide unique e-mail addresses for the Project Manager and the Maintenance Manager.

Contractor shall provide County with these e-mail addresses as some communication, including the monthly reports, may be done through e-mail for convenience and timeliness.

c. Business Contact Telephone Number

Contractor shall provide County with a business contact telephone number that shall be answered by a live person during normal business hours. The person answering the telephone shall be able to put Contract Manager, or his/her designee, in contact with key management personnel in case of an emergency.

d. 24-Hour Contact

Contractor shall maintain a 24-hour emergency contact pager, cell phone, or management telephone tree. The Project Manager or other manager must be able to return a call to Contract Manager within 30 minutes after being requested, including during non-business hours. This manager must be able to address all operational issues in case of an emergency.

e. Facsimile Number

Contractor shall provide County with a facsimile (fax) number in order for Contractor to receive faxes from County.

K. Vehicle Operators

Contractor shall employ a sufficient number of properly licensed and qualified personnel to operate Service vehicles and equipment and to provide the Service. Contractor shall be responsible for the recruitment, selection, controlled substance and alcohol testing, screening, training, scheduling, supervision, discipline, termination, and all other functions with regard to Service vehicle operators.

a. Operator Recruitment and Selection

Contractor shall review a current California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) report on all applicants who would operate or maintain Service vehicles and shall reject any applicant who failed to appear in court for "Driving Under the Influence."

Contractor shall check California DMV records (Pull Notice Program) at least every six months, beginning at the start of Service, for accidents, VC violations, and valid driver's licenses of those employees whose job requires them to operate any Service vehicle. Contractor shall notify County within five business days of the results of said checks and corrective actions taken, if any.

Contractor shall join the Pull Notice Program, whereby Contractor shall be notified of any activity on a vehicle operator's or mechanical staff's driving record. Any Service vehicle operator or a mechanic staff exceeding the California DMV point system, or with a revoked or suspended license, shall not be allowed to operate a Service vehicle.

b. Operator Requirements

Contractor shall require and be responsible for each Service vehicle operator in meeting the following requirements. All Service vehicle operators shall:

- i. Have a valid California DMV Class B commercial driver's license (with appropriate endorsements) and a medical examination certificate as well as any other licenses required by applicable Federal, State, and local regulations. A Service vehicle operator who does not pass the medical examination shall not be permitted to operate a Service vehicle.
- ii. Assist passengers confined to wheelchairs in boarding Service vehicles, assist with tie-downs, and assist with securing lap belts if requested by the passenger.
- iii. Be in uniform acceptable to County. Uniform shall include either shirt/blouse or polo-type top with collar and slacks/skirt or Bermuda-type walking shorts. Uniform coats, sweaters, and caps may be worn. Service vehicle operators shall display their name tag/badge.
- iv. Assist passengers who have difficulty negotiating the steps or ramp of the vehicle. Service vehicle operators shall make the lift or ramp available to passengers if requested.
- v. Be available and on time daily to ensure consistent and reliable Service.
- vi. Carry current certification of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first-aid training at all times during vehicle operations.

c. Operator Training

Contractor shall be responsible for all Service vehicle operator training. Contractor training programs shall be conducted by a "certified" instructor and meet all Federal, State, and local standards. At a minimum, the program shall include the following:

- i. Proper operation of the vehicle to be used in Service including defensive driving and vehicle handling. Proper operation of wheelchair lifts and ramps, communication equipment, and other equipment to be used on vehicles.
- ii. California DMV requirements and company policies.
- iii. Accident and emergency procedures and reports.
- iv. Public courtesy and empathy towards the needs of elderly and persons with disabilities.
- v. Training in special skills required to provide transportation to the elderly and people with disabilities.
- vi. American Red Cross or County-approved equivalent training for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid.
- vii. Regular and continuous formal safety instruction for all operating personnel assigned to perform any activities under this Contract.
- viii. Ongoing training programs as well as refresher training programs for its drivers. These regularly scheduled classes shall include various topics, including the areas of defensive and safe driving, emergency and/or crisis management, understanding work expectations, terrorist activity and public transit, and other relevant topics. Contractor may be required to hold additional training on issues and/or subjects pertinent to the Service. Authorized County personnel will have the right to attend and/or audit any such Contractor training programs or classes.

L. Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing

Contractor shall implement, as a minimum, the Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing Program as specified in Exhibit H as may be required by rules and regulations issued by the United States Department of Transportation and described in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 655, "Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug use in Transit Operations," dated October 1, 2003, or as subsequently amended.

Contractor's policies may supersede policies specified in Exhibit H only when they can be shown to Contract Manager's satisfaction to be more stringent than those policies shown in Exhibit H. County will not indemnify Contractor for disciplinary actions imposed that exceed those specified in Exhibit H.



Contractor shall report results of the random testing and other associated tests to County on a quarterly basis on the form shown in Exhibit H. Such reports shall be submitted to County within 15 calendar days after the end of the quarters.

M. Subcontractors

Contractor shall not subcontract Service to any other company.

N. Utilities

The County will not provide utilities.

O. Storage Facilities

The County will not provide storage facilities for the Contractor.

P. Certificates

Contractor shall hold a valid charter license or certificate (TCP-B) issued by the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) at all times during the period of this Contract. Contractor shall notify County within one hour of the loss of a valid charter certificate. If PUC revokes the Contractor's certificate required to operate the buses for this Service as a result of unsatisfactory inspection ratings by the CHP, the Contractor's buses shall immediately discontinue operations under this contract until the deficiency(ies) are corrected as directed by Contract Manager.

Q. Transit Security Plan

Subsequent to the events of September 11, 2001, safety and antiterrorist preparations on public transit systems have become a much greater concern than in prior years. It is critical to integrate security throughout every aspect of County's public transit programs, operations, and infrastructure. Accordingly, the Contractor is required to submit a written Transit Security Plan before Service begins.

Based on the Homeland Security Presidential Directive-3, the Federal government has implemented a color code warning system that will alert the public to the anticipated level of terrorist threat should they be aware of such a situation. Additionally, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), in response to the Office of Homeland Security, has undertaken a series of major steps to help prepare the transit industry to counter terrorist threats by providing direct assistance to transit agencies throughout various on-site programs. The FTA's website (<http://transit-safety.volpe.dot.gov>) contains the background of this program and information to assist transit agencies in developing their Transit Security Plans.

The Transit Security Plan shall meet the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA's)/ FTA's Security Emergency Management requirements as indicated in the TSA website ([http://www.tsa.gov/assets/pdf/mass\\_transit\\_action\\_items.pdf](http://www.tsa.gov/assets/pdf/mass_transit_action_items.pdf)).

The Contractor is also encouraged to refer to the FTA's "Transit Agency Security and Emergency Protective Measures" report available on the FTA website (<http://www.fta.dot.gov/documents/ProtectiveMeasures.pdf>). This document has been developed by the Federal Transit Administration, in consultation with the Department of Homeland Security's Transportation Security Administration and Office of Grants and Training and the American Public Transportation Association. It replaces the prior document entitled, Federal Transit Administration Transit Threat Level Response Recommendation. This document provides a more comprehensive systems approach and framework for a transit agency to use in integrating its entire security and emergency management programs with the Department of Homeland Security Homeland Security Advisory System's five color-coded graduated threat conditions. In addition, this document provides protective measures to be implemented in the event of an Attack or Active Incident and during the Recovery phase following an incident.

The details of the Contractor's Transit Security Plan will be negotiated with the Contract Manager to ensure that the County's needs are adequately addressed. The final approved Transit Security Plan will be attached as Exhibit I.

R. Removal of Debris

The Contractor shall dispose of all debris from these Services in a legally established area appropriate for type of debris being disposed. Disposal shall be at the Contractor's expense. The Contractor shall not allow any debris from its operations under this Contract to be deposited in the storm drains and/or gutters in violation of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.

The Contractor is advised that due to the nature of this Contract, discarded hazardous waste may be encountered during the performance of this contract. In the event an unknown substance or hazardous material is discovered, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contract Manager. The Contractor shall NOT attempt to perform any type of hazardous waste remediation not included under the Scope of Work of this Contract, including identifying, containing, cleaning, moving, disposing, etc. The Contractor shall exercise extreme caution in the event unknown waste is encountered.

S. Responsibilities of the Contractor

1. The Contractor shall maintain a minimum of 90 percent on-time performance for this Service.
2. The Contractor, in the performance of this Contract, shall comply with all laws and regulations, including any and all contained within the California Vehicle Code (VC).
3. Contractor shall operate the Service subject only to the general policies and direction of the County with regard to management and operations

and to the provisions and requirements herein. The Contractor shall do all things including, but not limited to, providing executive and administrative management; employment and supervision of all personnel including supervisors, assigned drivers, dispatchers, mechanics, and other maintenance personnel; operation of training and safety programs; maintenance and repair of buses and equipment; and providing all bus operators, facilities, equipment, parts, and supplies required in the operation of Service, unless specifically identified to be contributed by County.

4. Upon request by Contract Manager, reports regarding buses' conditions, operation status, complaints, or other relevant information pertaining to Service shall be immediately provided. Contractor shall not seek any costs incurred to meet the requirements in this paragraph.
5. Contractor shall have three years of experience providing charter bus transportation services.
6. Contractor's management staff shall have three years of experience providing charter bus transportation services.

T. Responsibilities of Public Works

County at its sole discretion may request additional inspections to be performed by Contractor and/or County. Contractor will cooperate with Contractor Manager to facilitate requested inspections.

U. Project Safety Official

The Contractor shall designate in writing a Project Safety Official who shall be thoroughly familiar with the Contractor's Injury and Illness Prevention Program and Code of Safe Practices. The Contractor's Project Safety Official shall be available at all times to abate any potential safety hazards and shall have the authority and responsibility to shut down an operation, if necessary. Failure by the Contractor to provide the required Project Safety Official shall be grounds for the County to direct the cessation of all work activities and operations at no cost to the County until such time as the Contractor is in compliance.

V. Payment for Service

1. Contractor may revise any of their Schedule of Prices, Form PW-2, monthly during the contract year. Revised Form PW-2 shall be submitted in writing to County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division, Transit Operations Section, Attention Mr. William Yan, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803-1331.

2. Revisions require approval by County before the new rates are declared chargeable to County for Services rendered. County, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to deny Contractor's revisions. Upon approval by County, Contractor will be notified via telephone. If the revised Form PW-2 is approved and received by the 25th of the month it will be effective on the first day of the following month. Approved revisions received after the 25th of each month will not become effective until the first day of the second following month.
3. County will continue Service with Contractor at Contractor's current Form PW-2 rates on file at Public Works following the denial of any revision.
4. County will reimburse the Contractor for all parking and toll bridge charges as long as the original parking stubs, receipts, or legible copies are attached to the billing invoice submitted to County.

W. Liquidated Damages

1. In any case of the Contractor's failure to meet certain specified performance requirements, the County may, in lieu of other remedies provided by law or the Contract, assess liquidated damages in specified sums and may either bill Contractor directly for the liquidated damage or deduct the liquidated damage from any regularly scheduled payment to the Contractor. However, neither the provision of a sum of liquidated damages for nonperformance or untimely or inadequate performance nor the County's acceptance of liquidated damages shall be construed to waive the County's right to reimbursement for damage to its property or indemnification against third-party claims.
2. The amounts of liquidated damages have been set in recognition of the following circumstances existing at the time of the formation of the Contract:
  - a. All the time limits and acts required to be done by both parties are of the essence of the Contract.
  - b. The parties are both experienced in the performance of the Contract work.
  - c. The Contract contains a reasonable statement of the work to be performed in order that the expectations of the parties to the Contract are realized. The expectation of the County is that the Service will be performed with due care in a workmanlike, competent, timely, and cost-efficient manner while the expectation of the Contractor is a realization of a profit through the ability to perform the Contract work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract at the unit price reflected in Form PW-2,

Schedule of Prices.

- d. The parties are not under any compulsion to contract.
- e. The Contractor's acceptance of the assessment of liquidated damages against it for unsatisfactory and late performance is by agreement and willingness to be bound as part of the consideration being offered to the County for the award of this Contract.
- f. It would be difficult for the County to prove the loss resulting from nonperformance or untimely, negligent, or inadequate performance of the work.
- g. The liquidated sums specified represent a fair approximation of the damages incurred by the County resulting from the Contractor's failure to meet the performance standard as to each item for which an amount of liquidated damages is specified.

3. Adherence to Service Schedule

Contractor may be assessed:

- a. Liquidated damages of \$100 for failure to provide notification regarding delay per paragraph D.8.
- b. Liquidated damages of \$100 for failing to call IVR at least 90 minutes, or within a different allotted timeframe approved by Contract Manager, before the scheduled pickup time unless noted otherwise or failing to dial zero to reach a live person as required per paragraph D.6.
- c. Liquidated damages of \$100 for failing to call IVR when making contact with group at pickup location as required per paragraph D.7.
- d. Liquidated damages of \$100 if bus arrives between 15 and 29 minutes after the designated pickup time.
- e. Liquidated damages of \$250 if bus arrives between 30 and 59 minutes after the designated pickup time.
- f. Liquidated damages of \$1,000 if bus arrives over one hour late after designated pickup time.
- g. Liquidated damages of \$1,000 if no bus arrives at the scheduled pickup location due to an oversight made by the Contractor and Contractor is unable to dispatch a replacement bus.
- h. Liquidated damages of \$1,000 if Service is requested by County as a SPAB trip with a SPAB-certified assigned driver and is confirmed by

Contractor via facsimile, but Contractor is unable to provide properly certified assigned driver(s) and/or properly certified bus(es).

- i. Liquidated damages of \$100 if County determines Contractor called IVR to confirm pickup prior to making contact with group.
4. If Contractor neglects to provide County the results of inspections provided by CHP within 24 hours as mentioned in paragraph I of this Exhibit, the Contractor may be assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$100.
5. Contractor has 30 calendar days from the date shown on the mailed Notice of Liquidated Damages, describing Contractor's action(s) that warranted liquidated damages, to pay County. Contractor may be given an extension of time to make the payment provided that Contractor justifies the need for extra time.
6. If County does not receive payment for liquidated damages within 30 calendar days, plus any extra time granted for payment, the Contract Manager may not request Service from Contractor until payment is received.

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## SERVICE CONTRACT GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

## SECTION 1

## INTERPRETATION OF CONTRACT

A. Ambiguities or Discrepancies

Both parties have either consulted or had the opportunity to consult with counsel regarding the terms of this Contract and are fully cognizant of all terms and conditions. Should there be any uncertainty, ambiguity, or discrepancy in the terms or provisions hereof, or should any misunderstanding arise as to the interpretation to be placed upon any position hereof or the applicability of the provisions hereunder, neither party shall be deemed as the drafter of this Contract and the uncertainty, ambiguity, or discrepancy shall not be construed against either party.

B. Definitions

Whenever in the Request for Proposals, Contract, Scope of Work, Specifications, Terms, Requirements, and/or Conditions the following terms are used, the intent and meaning shall be interpreted as follows:

Agreement. The written, signed accord covering the performance of the requested

Board. The Board of Supervisors of County of Los Angeles and Ex-Officio Board of Supervisors of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

Contract. The written agreement covering the performance of the service and the furnishing of labor, materials, supervision, and equipment in the performance of the service. The contract includes the Agreement, Exhibit A, Scope of Work (Specifications); Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements; Exhibit C, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015; Exhibit D, Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters; Exhibit E, Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, and other appropriate exhibits and amendments. Included are all supplemental agreements amending or extending the service to be performed, which may be required to supply acceptable services specified herein.

Contractor. The person or persons, sole proprietor, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity who has entered into an agreement with County to perform or execute the work covered by this Contract.

Contract Work or Work. The entire contemplated work of maintenance and repair to be performed, and services rendered as prescribed in this Contract.

County. Includes County of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Los Angeles County Road Department, and/or Los Angeles County Engineer.

Day. Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.

Direct Employee. Worker employed by Contractor under Contractor's state and federal taxpayer identification.

Director. The Director of Public Works, County of Los Angeles, as used herein, includes the Road Commissioner, County of Los Angeles; County Engineer, County of Los Angeles; Chief Engineer, Los Angeles County Flood Control District; and/or authorized representative(s).

District. Los Angeles County Flood Control District, or Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts, or Los Angeles County Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District.

Employee Leasing. Any agreement to employ any worker, at any tier, that is neither a subcontract nor a direct employee relationship.

Fiscal Year. The 12 month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.

Maximum Contract Sum. The Maximum Contract Sum is the aggregate total amount of compensation authorized by the Board.

Proposal. The written materials that a Proposer submits in response to a solicitation document (Request for Proposals).

Proposer. Any individual, person or persons, sole proprietor, firm, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity submitting a Proposal for the work, acting directly or through a duly authorized representative.

Public Works. County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

Solicitation. Request for Proposals, Invitation for Bids, Request for Statement of Qualifications, or Request for Quotation.

Specifications. The directions, provisions, and requirements contained herein, as supplemented by such special provisions as may be necessary pertaining to method, manner, and place of performing the work under this Contract.

Subcontract. An agreement by the Contractor to employ a Subcontractor at any tier; to employ or agree to employ a Subcontractor, at any tier.



Subcontractor. Any individual, person or persons, sole proprietor, firm, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity furnishing supplies, services of any nature, equipment, and/or materials to Contractor in furtherance of the Contractor's performance of this Contract, at any tier, under oral or written agreement.

C. Headings

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define or limit the scope of any provision thereof.

## SECTION 2

### STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS PERTAINING TO CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

#### A. Amendments

1. For any change which affects the scope of work, contract sum, payments, or any term or condition included in this Contract, an amendment shall be prepared and executed by Contractor and the Board or if delegated by the Board, the Director and Contractor.
2. The Board or County's Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in this Contract during the term of this Contract. County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the Board or the Chief Executive Officer. To implement such changes, an amendment or a change order to this Contract shall be prepared by Public Works and signed by the Contractor.
3. County may, at its sole discretion, authorize extensions of time to this Contract's term. Contractor agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an amendment to this Contract shall be prepared and executed by Contractor and the Board or if delegated by the Board, the Director and Contractor. To the extent that extensions of time for Contractor performance do not impact either scope or amount of this Contract, Public Works may, at its sole discretion, grant Contractor extensions of time, provided the aggregate of all such extensions during the life of this Contract shall not exceed 120 days.
4. For any change which does not materially affect the scope of work or any other term or condition included under this Contract, a change order shall be prepared by Public Works and signed by the Contractor. If the change order is prepared by the Contractor, it shall be approved by Public Works and signed by the Contractor and the County.

#### B. Assignment and Delegation

1. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Contract, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to this Contract, which is formally approved and executed by Contractor and the Board or if delegated by the Board, the Director and Contractor. Any payments by County to any approved delegate or assignee on any

claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims which Contractor may have against County.

2. Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Contract, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.
3. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the suspension or termination of this Contract. In the event of such a termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default of Contractor.

C. Authorization Warranty

Contractor represents and warrants that the person(s) executing this Contract for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

D. Budget Reduction

In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County Contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Contract shall also be reduced correspondingly. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within 30 calendar days of the Board's approval of such actions.

E. Complaints

Contractor shall develop, maintain, and operate procedures for receiving, investigating, and responding to any complaints by any individual.

1. Within 12 business days after this Contract's effective date, Contractor shall provide County with Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating, and responding to any complaints by any individual.
2. County will review Contractor's policy and provide Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
3. If County requests changes in Contractor's policy, Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within five business days for County approval.
4. If, at any time, Contractor wishes to change Contractor's policy, Contractor shall submit proposed changes to County for approval before implementation.
5. Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the Contract Manager of the status of the investigation within five business days of receiving the complaint.
6. When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
7. Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the Contract Manager within three business days of mailing to the complainant.

F. Compliance with Applicable Laws

1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, or directives, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated by reference.
2. Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers harmless from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees arising from or related to any violation on the part of Contractor or its employees, agents, or Subcontractors of any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, or directives.

G. Compliance with Civil Rights Laws

Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e)(1) through 2000 (e)(17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical disability, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. Contractor shall comply with its EEO Certification (Form PW-7).

H. Confidentiality

1. Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records obtained from County under this Contract in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives relating to confidentiality.
2. Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents, and Subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.

I. Conflict of Interest

1. No County employee whose position with County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee shall be employed in any capacity by Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of the work hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.
2. Contractor represents and warrants that it is aware of, and its authorized officers have read, the provisions of Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, "Certain Contracts Prohibited," and that execution of this Agreement will not violate those provisions. Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph shall be a material breach of this Contract

subjecting Contractor to either contract termination for default or debarment proceedings or both. Contractor must sign and adhere to the "Conflict of Interest Certification" (Form PW-5).

J. Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoffs or Former County Employee on Reemployment List

Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a reemployment list during the life of this Contract.

K. Consideration of Hiring GAIN and GROW Participants

1. Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program and General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that Contractor will interview qualified candidates. County will refer GAIN and GROW participants by category to Contractor.
2. In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN and GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

L. Contractor's Acknowledgment of County's Commitment to Child Support Enforcement

Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the enforcement of child support laws and the apprehension of child support evaders. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post County's L.A.'s Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. County's Child Support Services Department will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

M. Contractor's Charitable Activities Compliance

The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring Contractors to complete the Charitable Contributions Certification (Form PW-12), County seeks to ensure that all County Contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with

California law in order to protect County and its taxpayers. A Contractor which receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach subjecting it to either contract termination for default or debarment proceedings or both. (Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202)

N. Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program

1. Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through contracts are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.
2. As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200), and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain compliance with the employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

O. County's Quality Assurance Plan

County or its agent will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all this Contract's terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of this Contract in jeopardy, if not corrected, will be reported to the Board. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may suspend or terminate this Contract for default or impose other penalties as specified in this Contract.

P. Damage to County Facilities, Buildings, or Grounds

1. Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by Contractor or employees or agents of Contractor.

2. Such repairs shall be made immediately after Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than 30 days after the occurrence. If Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by Contractor by cash payment upon demand. County may deduct from any payment otherwise due Contractor for costs incurred by County to make such repairs.

Q. Employment Eligibility Verification

1. Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all of its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.
2. Contractor shall, defend, and hold harmless, the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers, from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County or both in connection with any alleged violation of Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Contract.

R. Facsimile Representations

At the discretion of County, County may agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of Contractor's authorized officers, when appearing in appropriate places on the change notices and amendments prepared pursuant to this Exhibit's Amendments, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to change notices and amendments to this Contract, such that the Contractor need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (nonfacsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

S. Fair Labor Standards

Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees,



and Volunteers from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

T. Force Majeure

1. Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this sub-paragraph as "force majeure events").
2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of Contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, Contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph, the term "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractors at any tier.
3. In the event Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

U. Governing Laws, Jurisdiction, and Venue

This Contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, Contractor and County agree and consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes concerning this Contract and further agree and consent that venue of any action brought in connection with or arising out of this Contract, shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

V. Most Favored Public Entity

If the Contractor's prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

W. Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

1. Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State antidiscrimination laws and regulations.
2. Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Contractor's EEO Certification (Form PW-7).
3. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State antidiscrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection of training, including apprenticeship.
4. Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its Subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.
5. Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.
6. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this paragraph when so requested by County.

7. If County finds that any of the above provisions have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which County may terminate for default or suspend this Contract. While County reserves the right to determine independently that the antidiscrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that Contractor has violated Federal or State antidiscrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the antidiscrimination provisions of this Contract.
8. The parties agree that in the event Contractor violates any of the antidiscrimination provisions of this Contract, County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to a sum of \$500 for each violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

X. Nonexclusivity

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with Contractor. This Contract shall not restrict County from acquiring similar, equal, or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

Y. No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Suspension/Termination of Contract

Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration, suspension, or other termination of this Contract. Should Contractor receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/suspension/termination of this Contract shall

not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration/suspension/termination of this Contract.

Z. Notice of Delays

Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

AA. Notice of Disputes

Contractor shall bring to the attention of the Contract Manager any dispute between County and Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the Contract Manager is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director will resolve it.

BB. Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit

Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015 (Exhibit C).

CC. Notices

Notices desired or required to be given under these Specifications, Conditions, or Terms herein or any law now or hereafter in effect may, at the option of the party giving the same, be given by enclosing the same in a sealed envelope addressed to the party for whom intended and by depositing such envelope with postage prepaid with the United States Post Office and any such notice and the envelope containing the same shall be addressed to Contractor at its place of business, or such other place as may be hereinafter designated in writing by Contractor. The notices and envelopes containing the same to County shall be addressed to:

Chief, Administrative Services Division  
County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works  
P.O. Box 1460  
Alhambra, CA 91802-1460

In the event of suspension or termination of this Contract, notices may also be given upon personal delivery to any person whose actual knowledge of such suspension or termination would be sufficient notice to Contractor. Actual knowledge of such suspension or termination by an individual Contractor or by a copartner, if Contractor is a partnership; or by the president, vice president, secretary, or general manager, if Contractor is a corporation; or by the managing agent regularly in charge of the work on behalf of said Contractor shall in any case be sufficient notice.

DD. Publicity

Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing Contractor's need to identify its services and

related clients to sustain itself, County shall not inhibit Contractor from publicizing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:

1. Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner.
2. During the term of this Contract, Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of County without the prior written consent of the Contract Manager. County shall not unreasonably withhold such written consent.
3. Contractor may, without prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with County, provided that the requirements of this paragraph shall apply.

EE. Public Records Act

1. Any documents submitted by Contractor; all information obtained in connection with County's right to audit and inspect Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to this Exhibit's Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement, of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the RFP used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records, except those documents that are marked "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary" and are deemed excluded from disclosure under Government Code 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act). County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, with limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
2. In the event County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary," Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in connection with any requested action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

FF. Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement

Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. Contractor agrees that County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access

to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks, or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets, and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by Contractor and shall be made available to County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five years thereafter unless County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by Contractor at a location in County, provided that if any such material is located outside County, then, at County's option, Contractor shall pay County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

1. In the event that an audit of Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by Contractor or otherwise, then Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with County's Auditor-Controller within 30 days of Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).
2. Failure on the part of Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which County may suspend or terminate for default or suspend this Contract.
3. If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of County conduct an audit of Contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by Contractor to County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to Contractor from County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to Contractor by County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by County for the purpose of this Contract.

GG. Recycled-Content Paper Products

Consistent with Board policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at County landfills, Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible under this Contract.

HH. Contractor's Employee Criminal Background Investigation

The Contractor shall be responsible for ongoing implementation and monitoring of the following for each Contractor employee or agent providing service under this Contract who may come into contact with the public, including but not limited to vehicle operators, Road Supervisors and subcontractor employees (collectively referred to as "Public Contact Employees"):

1. Each Public Contact Employee shall undergo and pass a criminal background investigation prior to starting work under this Contract. The Contractor shall conduct additional criminal background investigations of all Public Contact Employees every two years and upon request of the County at its sole discretion. The background investigation shall include criminal conviction information from an agency acceptable to County such as local law enforcement or Live Scan from the California Department of Justice. The cost of background checks is the responsibility of the Contractor.
2. No Public Contact Employee shall have a criminal conviction record, including a guilty plea or a finding of not guilty by reason of insanity and Contractor shall be under a continuing obligation to immediately remove any Public Contact Employee having a criminal conviction record, including a guilty plea or a finding of not guilty by reason of insanity. Contractor may only make an exception to this requirement if Contractor determines that there were mitigating circumstances or that the conviction is not related to the Public Contact Employee position and that the Public Contact Employee poses no threat or risk to the County or public.
3. Disqualification of any Public Contact Employee pursuant to this section shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to provide services in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.
4. The Contractor shall annually submit to the Contract Manager a certificate of compliance attesting that each Public Contact Employee is eligible for employment under this Contract according to the requirements outlined in Sections 1 and 2.

II. Subcontracting

The requirements of this Contract may not be subcontracted by Contractor without the advance written approval of County. Any attempt by Contractor to subcontract without the prior written consent of County may be deemed a material breach of this Contract and the County may suspend or terminate for this Contract default.

1. If Contractor desires to subcontract, Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at County's request:

- a. A description of the work to be performed by the Subcontractor;
  - b. A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
  - c. Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by County.
2. Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every Subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such Subcontractor(s) were Contractor employees.
3. Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding County's approval of Contractor's proposed subcontract.
4. County's consent to subcontract shall not waive County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including Subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. Contractor is responsible to notify its Subcontractors of this County right.
5. County's Contract Manager is authorized to act for and on behalf of County with respect to approval of any subcontract and Subcontractor employees.
6. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all Subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding County's consent to subcontract.
7. Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the Subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by County from each approved Subcontractor. Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to Administrative Services Division, P.O. Box 1460, Alhambra, California 91802-1460, before any Subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.
8. Employee Leasing is prohibited.

JJ. Validity

If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

KK. Waiver

No waiver by County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of said provision or of any other provision



of this Contract. Failure of County to enforce at anytime, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof.

LL. Warranty Against Contingent Fees

1. Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by Contractor for the purpose of securing business.
2. For breach of this warranty, County shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to suspend or terminate this Contract for default, deduct from amounts owing to the Contractor, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

## SECTION 3

### TERMINATIONS/SUSPENSIONS

A. Termination/Suspension for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in this Exhibit's Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program shall constitute a default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract pursuant to this Exhibit's Termination/Suspension for Default, and pursue debarment of Contractor pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202.

B. Termination/Suspension for Convenience

1. This Contract may be suspended or terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Suspension or termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of suspension or termination to Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is suspended or terminated and the date upon which such suspension or termination becomes effective. The date upon which such suspension or termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten days after the notice is sent.
2. After receipt of a notice of suspension or termination and except as otherwise directed by County, Contractor shall:
  - a. Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice; and
  - b. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been suspended or terminated by such notice.
3. All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of Contractor under this Contract shall be maintained by Contractor in accordance with this Exhibit's Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement.
4. If this Contract is suspended or terminated, Contractor shall complete within the Director's suspension or termination date contain within the notice of suspension or termination, those items of work which are in various stages of completion, which the Director has advised the

Contractor are necessary to bring the work to a timely, logical, and orderly end. Reports, samples, and other materials prepared by Contractor under this Contract shall be delivered to County upon request and shall become the property of County.

C. Termination/Suspension for Default

1. County may, by written notice to Contractor, suspend or terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of the County:
  - a. Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or
  - b. Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required under this Contract; or
  - c. Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five working days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from County specifying such failure.
2. In the event County suspends or terminates this Contract in whole or in part pursuant to this paragraph, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner, as County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so suspended or terminated. Contractor shall be liable to County for any and all excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar goods and services. Contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not suspended or terminated under the provisions of this paragraph.
3. Except with respect to defaults of any Subcontractor, Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs of the type identified in subparagraph "2" above, if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to, acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of the Federal or State government in its sovereign capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a Subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and Subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the

Subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

4. If, after County has given notice of termination or suspension under the provisions of this paragraph, it is determined by County that Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this paragraph or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this paragraph, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination or suspension had been issued pursuant to this Exhibit's Termination/Suspension for Convenience.
5. The rights and remedies of County provided in this paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.
6. As used herein, the terms "Subcontractor" and "Subcontractors" mean subcontractor at any tier.

D. Termination/Suspension for Improper Consideration

1. County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately suspend or terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Contract if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, extension of this Contract, or the making of any determinations with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination or suspension, County shall be entitled to pursue those same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.
2. Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.
3. Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash; discounts; services; the provision of travel, entertainment, or tangible gifts.

E. Termination/Suspension for Insolvency

1. County may suspend or terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

- a. Insolvency of Contractor. Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least 60 days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code, and whether or not Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
  - b. The filing of a voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy petition relative to Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
  - c. The appointment of a bankruptcy Receiver or Trustee for Contractor; or
  - d. The execution by Contractor of a general assignment for the benefits of creditors.
2. The rights and remedies of County provided in this paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

F. Termination/Suspension for Nonadherence to County Lobbyists Ordinance

Contractor, and each County lobbyist or County lobbying firm as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of Contractor or any County Lobbyists or County Lobbying firm retained by Contractor to fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which County may in its sole discretion, immediately suspend or terminate for default of this Contract.

G. Termination/Suspension for Nonappropriation of Funds

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, County shall not be obligated for Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of County's future fiscal years unless and until the Board appropriates funds for this Contract in County's budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract may be suspended or terminated as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. County will notify Contractor in writing of any such nonallocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

## SECTION 4

### GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT WORK

A. Authority of Public Works and Inspection

The Director will have the final authority in all matters affecting the work covered by this Contract's Terms, Requirement, Conditions, and Specifications. On all questions relating to work acceptability or interpretations of these Terms, Requirements, Conditions, and Specifications, the decision of the Director will be final.

B. Cooperation

Contractor shall cooperate with Public Works' forces engaged in any other activities at the jobsite. Contractor shall carry out all work in a diligent manner and according to instructions of the Director.

C. Cooperation and Collateral Work

Contractor shall perform work as directed by the Director. The Director will be supported by other Public Works personnel in assuring satisfactory performance of the work under these Specifications and that satisfactory contract controls and conditions are maintained.

D. Equipment, Labor, Supervision, and Materials

All equipment, labor, supervision, and materials required to accomplish this Contract, except as might be specifically outlined in other sections, shall be provided by Contractor.

E. Gratuitous Work

Contractor agrees that should work be performed outside the Scope of Work indicated and without Public Works' prior written approval in accordance with this Exhibit's Amendments, such work shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort by Contractor, and Contractor shall have no claim against County.

F. Jobsite Safety

Contractor shall be solely responsible for ensuring that all work performed under this Contract is performed in strict compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local occupational safety regulations. Contractor shall provide at its expense all safeguards, safety devices, and protective equipment and shall take any and all actions appropriate to providing a safe jobsite.

G. Labor

No person shall be employed on any work under this Contract who is found to be intemperate, troublesome, disorderly, or is otherwise objectionable to Public Works. Any such person shall be reassigned immediately and not again employed on Public Works' projects or providing services.

H. Labor Law Compliance

Contractor, its agents, and employees shall be bound by and shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Labor Code of the State of California as well as all other applicable Federal, State, and local laws related to labor, including compliance with prevailing wage laws. The Contractor is responsible for selecting the classification of workers, which will be required to perform this service in accordance with the Contractor's method of performing the work and when applicable, is required to pay current prevailing wage rates adopted by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations and will indemnify the County for any claims resulting from their failure to so comply. Contractor shall comply with Labor Code Section 1777.5 with respect to the employment of apprentices.

I. Overtime

Eight hours labor constitutes a legal day's work. Work in excess thereof, or greater than 40 hours during any one week, shall be permitted only as authorized by and in accordance with Labor Code Section 1815 et seq.

J. Permits/Licenses

Contractor shall be fully responsible for possessing or obtaining all permits/licenses, except as might be specifically outlined in other sections, from the appropriate Federal, State, or local authorities relating to work to be performed under this Contract.

K. Prohibition Against Use of Child Labor

1. Contractor shall:

- a. Not knowingly sell or supply to County any products, goods, supply, or other personal property manufactured in violation of child labor standards set by the International Labor Organization through its 1973 Convention Concerning Minimum Age for Employment;
- b. Upon request by County, identify the country/countries of origin of any products, goods, supplies, or other personal property Contractor sells or supplies to County;

- c. Upon request by County, provide to County the manufacturer's certification of compliance with all international child labor conventions; and
  - d. Should County discover that any products, goods, supplies, or other personal property sold or supplied by Contractor to County are produced in violation of any international child labor conventions, Contractor shall immediately provide an alternative, compliant source of supply.
- 2. Failure by Contractor to comply with provisions of this paragraph will constitute a material breach of this Contract and will be grounds for immediate suspension or termination of this Contract for default.

L. Public Convenience

Contractor shall conduct operations to cause the least possible obstruction and inconvenience to public traffic or disruption to the peace and quiet of the area within which the work is being performed.

M. Public Safety

It shall be Contractor's responsibility to maintain security against public hazards at all times while performing work at contracted work locations. In the event Contractor determines a public hazard exists at a work location, Contractor shall immediately mark the location to prevent public access to the hazard and immediately notify the Contract Manager.

N. Quality of Work

Contractor shall provide the County high and consistent quality work under this Contract and which is at least equivalent to that which Contractor provides to all other clients it serves. All work shall be executed by experienced and well-trained workers. All work shall be under supervision of a well-qualified supervisor. Contractor also agrees that work shall be furnished in a professional manner and according to these Specifications.

O. Quantities of Work

Contractor shall be allowed no claims for anticipated profits or for any damages of any sort because of any difference between the work estimated by Contractor in responding to County's solicitation and actual quantities of work done under this Contract or for work decreased or eliminated by County.

P. Safety Requirements

Contractor shall be responsible for the safety of equipment, material, and personnel under Contractor's jurisdiction during the work.



Q. Storage of Material and Equipment

Contractor shall not store material or equipment at the jobsite, except as might be specifically authorized by this Contract. County will not be liable or responsible for any damage, by whatever means, or for the theft of Contractor's material or equipment from any jobsite.

R. Transportation

County will not provide transportation to and from the jobsite and will not provide travel around the limits of the jobsite.

S. Work Area Controls

1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Contractor shall maintain work area in a neat, orderly, clean, and safe manner. Contractor shall avoid spreading out equipment excessively. Location and layout of all equipment and materials at each jobsite will be subject to the Contract Manager's approval.
2. Contractor shall be responsible for the security of any and all of Public Works/County facilities in its care. Contractor shall provide protection against vandalism and accidental and malicious damage, both during working and nonworking hours.

T. County Contract Database/CARD

The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

## SECTION 5

### INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

#### A. Independent Contractor Status

1. This Contract is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
2. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of Contractor.
3. Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of Contractor and not employees of County. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

#### B. Indemnification

Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers from and against any and all liability, including, but not limited to, demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses of any nature whatsoever (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Contract. This indemnification also shall include any and all intellectual property liability, including copyright infringement and similar claims.

#### C. Workplace Safety Indemnification

In addition to and without limiting the indemnification required by this Exhibit's Section 5.B (above), and to the extent allowed by law, Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers from and against any and all investigations, complaints, citations, liability, expense (including defense costs and legal fees), claims, and/or causes of action for damages of any nature

whatsoever, including, but not limited to, injury or death to employees of Contractor, its Subcontractors or County, attributable to any alleged act or omission of Contractor and/or its Subcontractors which is in violation of any Cal/OSHA regulation. The obligation to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless County includes all investigations and proceedings associated with purported violations of Section 336.10 of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations pertaining to multiemployer worksites. Contractor shall not be obligated to indemnify for liability and expenses arising from the active negligence of County. County may deduct from any payment otherwise due Contractor any costs incurred or anticipated to be incurred by County, including legal fees and staff costs, associated with any investigation or enforcement proceeding brought by Cal/OSHA arising out of the work being performed by Contractor under this Contract.

D. General Insurance Requirements

1. Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in this Paragraph and Paragraph F of this Section. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.
2. Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County - A certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.
  - a. Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than ten days prior to Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Subcontractor insurance policies at any time.
  - b. Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance

Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.

- c. Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

- d. Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to:

County of Los Angeles  
Department of Public Works, Administrative Services Division  
P.O. Box 1460  
Alhambra, California 91802-1460  
Attention of: Contract Analyst (noted in the RFP Notice)

- e. Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor. Contractor also shall promptly notify County of any third party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its Subcontractors which arises from or relates to this Contract, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

- 3. Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage - The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers shall be provided additional insured status under Contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of Contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies

the Required Insurance provisions herein.

4. Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance: Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and 30 days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.
5. Failure to Maintain Insurance: Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach.
6. Insurer Financial Ratings: Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by County.
7. Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary: Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Contract, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to Contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.
8. Waivers of Subrogation: To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Contract. The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.
9. Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements: Contractor shall include all Subcontractors as insureds under Contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each Subcontractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each Subcontractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each Subcontractor name the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers and Contractor as additional insureds on the

Subcontractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any Subcontractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

10. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs): Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration, and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.
11. Claims Made Coverage: If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Contract. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.
12. Application of Excess Liability Coverage: Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow form" over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.
13. Separation of Insureds: All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.
14. Alternative Risk Financing Programs: The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, Contractor use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.
15. County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements: The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

E. Compensation for County Costs

In the event that the Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Contract, and such failure to comply results in any costs to the County, the Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by the County.

F. Insurance Coverage Requirements

1. Commercial General Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate:	\$4 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$4 million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$4 million
Each Occurrence:	\$4 million

2. Automobile Liability written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned," "nonowned," and "hired" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto," in an amount as recommended by the Public Utilities Commission, but not less than the following (Can be met by a combination of primary and excess insurance coverage):
  - a. Seating capacity of 16 passengers or more (including driver), \$10 million.
  - b. Seating capacity of 15 passengers or less (including driver), \$5 million.
  - c. Taxicabs as defined by Vehicle Code Section 27908, a minimum of \$100,000 per person, \$1 million per occurrence, and \$50,000 property damage or a combined single limit of \$1 million.

A certificate evidencing such insurance coverage and an endorsement naming the County as additional insured thereunder shall be filed with the Director prior to Contractor providing Service hereunder.

3. Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor is a temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that County will receive not less than 30 days advance written notice of cancellation of this coverage provision. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

4. Sexual Misconduct Liability: Insurance covering actual or alleged claims for sexual misconduct and/or molestation with limits of not less than \$2 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate, and claims for negligent employment, investigation, supervision, training or retention of, or failure to report to proper authorities, a person(s) who committed any act of abuse, molestation, harassment, mistreatment or maltreatment of a sexual nature.



## SECTION 6

### CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

A. Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

B. Chapter 2.202 of County Code

Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of County Code, if County acquires information concerning the performance of Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that Contractor is not responsible, County may, in addition to other remedies provided in this Contract, debar Contractor from bidding or proposing on, being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and suspend or terminate any or all existing contracts Contractor may have with County.

C. Nonresponsible Contractor

County may debar a Contractor if the Board finds, in its discretion, that Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated any term of a contract with County or a nonprofit corporation created by County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on Contractor's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against County or any other public entity.

D. Contractor Hearing Board

1. If there is evidence that Contractor may be subject to debarment, Public Works will notify Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before Contractor Hearing Board.
2. Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. Contractor and/or Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, Contractor Hearing Board will prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation

regarding whether Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. Contractor and Public Works shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board.

3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board. The Board shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of Contractor Hearing Board.
4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of County.
5. Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedure as for a debarment hearing.
6. Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board. The Board shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of Contractor Hearing Board.

E. Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of County contractors.

## SECTION 7

### COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

#### A. Jury Service Program

This Contract is subject to the provisions of County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service (Jury Service Program) as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

#### B. Written Employee Jury Service Policy

1. Unless Contractor has demonstrated to County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employee deposit any fees received for such jury service with Contractor or that Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.
2. For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation, or other entity which has a contract with County or a subcontract with a County contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any Subcontractor to perform services for County under this Contract, the Subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.
3. If Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when this Contract commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the

Jury Service Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. County may also require, at any time during this Contract and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Jury Service Program.

4. Contractor's violation of this Section of this Contract may constitute a material breach of this Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, suspend or terminate this Contract and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

## SECTION 8

### SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW PROGRAM

A. Contractor's Acknowledgment of County's Commitment to the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. Contractor will also encourage its Subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Subcontractor's place of business. County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org)

B. Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit D of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org) for printing purposes.

## SECTION 9

### TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE PROGRAM

This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code.

Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Transitional Job Opportunity vendor.

Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Transitional Job Opportunities vendor.

If Contractor has obtained County certification as a Transitional Job Opportunities vendor by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded;
2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in the amount of not more than ten percent of the amount of this Contract; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Nonresponsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any entity that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify Public Works of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

## SECTION 10

### LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE PROGRAM

- A. This Contract is subject to the provisions of County's ordinance entitled Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.
- B. Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise.
- C. Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Local Small Business Enterprise.
- D. If Contractor has obtained County certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:
  - 1. Pay to County any difference between this Contract amount and what County's costs would have been if this Contract had been properly awarded;
  - 2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent of the amount of this Contract; and
  - 3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Nonresponsibility and Contractor Debarment).
- E. The above penalties shall also apply if Contractor is no longer eligible for certification as a result of a change of its status and Contractor failed to notify the State and County's Office of Affirmative Action Compliance of this information.

## SECTION 11

### COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

A. Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

This Contract is subject to the provisions of County's ordinance entitled Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program ("Defaulted Tax Program") as codified in Sections 2.206 of the Los Angeles County Code (Exhibit E).

B. Contractor's Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from the County through any contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

Unless Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this contract will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206.

C. Termination for Breach of Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph B, above, shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ten days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this contract and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.



## SECTION 12

### DISPLACED TRANSIT EMPLOYEE PROGRAM

- A. In accordance with Labor Code Section 1072(c)(1), if the County informs the Contractor that the County intends to issue a new solicitation for these services, Contractor shall, within 14 calendar days thereafter, provide to the County the number of employees who are performing services under this Contract and the wage rates, benefits, and job classifications of those employees. In addition, the Contractor shall make this information available to any entity that the County has identified as a bona fide Proposer for the successor contract. If the successor service contract is awarded to a new Contractor, the Contractor shall provide the names, addresses, dates of hire, wages, benefit levels, and job classifications of employees to the successor Contractor.

The following provision applies if the Contractor declared that the Contractor is willing to retain employees of previous contractor and signed PW-16, Displaced Transit Employee Declaration indicating that they will do so in their proposal.

- B. If the Contractor has declared in Form PW-16, Displaced Transit Employee Declaration that the Contractor will retain employees of the prior Contractor or Subcontractor for a period of not less than 90 days, the Contractor shall retain employees who have been employed by the prior Contractor or Subcontractors, except for reasonable and substantiated cause as specified in California Labor Code Section 1072(c)(2). That cause is limited to the particular employee's performance or conduct while working under the prior contract or the employee's failure of any controlled substances and alcohol test, physical examination, criminal background check required by law as a condition of employment, or other standard hiring qualification lawfully required by the Contractor and/or Subcontractor.
- C. In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1072(c)(3), the Contractor shall make a written offer of employment to each employee to be rehired. That offer shall state the time within which the employee must accept that offer, but in no case less than 10 days. California Labor Code 1072(c)(3) does not require the Contractor and/or Subcontractor to pay the same wages or offer the same benefits provided by the prior Contractor or Subcontractor.
- D. If, at any time, the Contractor or Subcontractor determines that fewer employees are required than were required under the prior contract or subcontract, the Contractor or Subcontractor shall retain qualified employees by seniority within the job classification. In determining those employees who are qualified, the Contractor or Subcontractor may require an employee to possess any license that is required by law to operate the equipment that the employee will operate as an employee of the Contractor or Subcontractor.

**E. Termination for Breach**

1. In accordance to California Labor Code Section 1074(a), upon its motion or upon the request of any member of the public, the County may terminate this Contract if both of the following occur:
  - a. The Contractor or subcontractor has substantially breached this Contract.
  - b. The County holds a public hearing within 30 days of the receipt of the request or its announcement of its intention to terminate.
2. Contractor or subcontractor terminated pursuant to this provision shall be ineligible to submit proposal on or be awarded a service contract or subcontract with the County for a period of not less than one year and not more than three years, to be determined by the County.
3. Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive provision for termination of this Contract. This provision shall not limit the County's right to terminate or debar Contractors under any other provisions of this Contract or under any other provision of the law.

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

## Notice 1015

(Rev. December 2011)

### Have You Told Your Employees About the Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

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#### What Is the EIC?

The EIC is a refundable tax credit for certain workers.

#### Which Employees Must I Notify About the EIC?

You must notify each employee who worked for you at any time during the year and from whom you did not withhold income tax. However, you do not have to notify any employee who claimed exemption from withholding on Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate.

**Note.** You are encouraged to notify each employee whose wages for 2011 are less than \$49,078 that he or she may be eligible for the EIC.

#### How and When Must I Notify My Employees?

You must give the employee one of the following:

- The IRS Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, which has the required information about the EIC on the back of Copy B.
- A substitute Form W-2 with the same EIC information on the back of the employee's copy that is on Copy B of the IRS Form W-2.
- Notice 797, Possible Federal Tax Refund Due to the Earned Income Credit (EIC).
- Your written statement with the same wording as Notice 797.

If you are required to give Form W-2 and do so on time, no further notice is necessary if the Form W-2 has the required information about the EIC on the back of the employee's copy. If a substitute Form W-2 is given on time but does not have the required information, you must notify the employee within 1 week of the date the substitute Form W-2 is given. If Form W-2 is required but is not given on time, you must give the employee Notice 797 or your written statement by the date Form W-2 is required to be given. If Form W-2 is not required, you must notify the employee by February 7, 2012.

You must hand the notice directly to the employee or send it by first-class mail to the employee's last known address. You will not meet the notification requirements by posting Notice 797 on an employee bulletin board or sending it through office mail. However, you may want to post the notice to help inform all employees of the EIC. You can get copies of the notice from IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-829-3676.

#### How Will My Employees Know If They Can Claim the EIC?

The basic requirements are covered in Notice 797. For more detailed information, the employee needs to see Pub. 596, Earned Income Credit (EIC), or the instructions for Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ.

#### How Do My Employees Claim the EIC?

Eligible employees claim the EIC on their 2011 tax return. Even employees who have no tax withheld from their pay or owe no tax can claim the EIC and get a refund, but they must file a tax return to do so. For example, if an employee has no tax withheld in 2011 and owes no tax but is eligible for a credit of \$829, he or she must file a 2011 tax return to get the \$829 refund.

#### Can My Employees Get Advance EIC Payments?

After 2010, your employees can no longer get advance payments of the credit in their pay during the year as they could in 2010 and earlier years, because the law changed. However, if they are eligible, they will still be able to claim the credit on their tax return.

Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate, is no longer in use.

# *Safely* Surrendered *Baby Law*



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# Safely Surrendered Baby Law

## What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

The Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents to safely surrender their babies to hospital or fire station staff. When someone is worried about a baby's future, the law gives them the option to safely surrender the baby. Within 72 hours of birth, a parent or other adult can bring a baby to a hospital or fire station. If the baby is not picked up, the baby may be adopted by someone who wants to care for the baby.

*Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a baby, let her know there are other options. For three days (72 hours) after birth, a baby can be surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.*

## How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

## What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

## Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

## Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

## Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

## What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

## What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

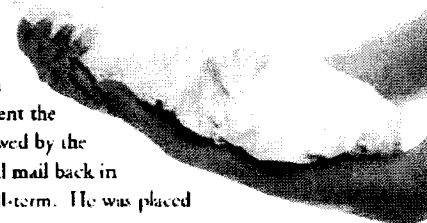
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

## Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

## A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.



# *Ley de* Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*



*Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal  
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# Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

## ¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, sin decir quién es la persona a quien los padres le tienen dicho permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser acusados o procesados.

*Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.*

## ¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

## ¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Angeles al 1-800-540-4000.

## ¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

## ¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

## ¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

## ¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

## ¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

## ¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro impulsa que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

## Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.





**Chapter 2.206 DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM**

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**2.206.010 Findings and declarations.**

The Board of Supervisors finds that significant revenues are lost each year as a result of taxpayers who fail to pay their tax obligations on time. The delinquencies impose an economic burden upon the County and its taxpayers. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors establishes the goal of ensuring that individuals and businesses that benefit financially from contracts with the County fulfill their property tax obligation. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

**2.206.020 Definitions.**

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" shall mean any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or combination thereof, which submits a bid or proposal or enters into a contract or agreement with the County.
- B. "County" shall mean the County of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body.
- C. "County Property Taxes" shall mean any property tax obligation on the County's secured or unsecured roll; except for tax obligations on the secured roll with respect to property held by a Contractor in a trust or fiduciary capacity or otherwise not beneficially owned by the Contractor.
- D. "Department" shall mean the County department, entity, or organization responsible for the solicitation and/or administration of the contract.
- E. "Default" shall mean any property tax obligation on the secured roll that has been deemed defaulted by operation of law pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 3436; or any property tax obligation on the unsecured roll that remains unpaid on the applicable delinquency date pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2922; except for any property tax obligation dispute pending before the Assessment Appeals Board.



- F. "Solicitation" shall mean the County's process to obtain bids or proposals for goods and services.
- G. "Treasurer-Tax Collector" shall mean the Treasurer and Tax Collector of the County of Los Angeles. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

**2.206.030 Applicability.**

This chapter shall apply to all solicitations issued 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. This chapter shall also apply to all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts entered into 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

**2.206.040 Required solicitation and contract language.**

All solicitations and all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts shall contain language, which:

- A. Requires any Contractor to keep County Property Taxes out of Default status at all times during the term of an awarded contract;
- B. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may prevent the Contractor from being awarded a new contract; and
- C. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may constitute a material breach of an existing contract, and failure to cure the breach within ten days of notice by the County by paying the outstanding County Property Tax or making payments in a manner agreed to and approved by the Treasurer-Tax Collector, may subject the contract to suspension and/or termination. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

**2.206.050 Administration and compliance certification.**

- A. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall, with the assistance of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Internal Services, and County Counsel issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other departments.
- B. Contractor shall be required to certify, at the time of submitting any bid or proposal to the County, or entering into any new contract, or renewal, extension or amendment of an existing contract with the County, that it is in compliance with this chapter is not in Default on any County Property Taxes or is current in

payments due under any approved payment arrangement (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

**2.206.060 Exclusions/Exemptions.**

A. This chapter shall not apply to the following contracts:

1. Chief Executive Office delegated authority agreements under \$50,000;
2. A contract where Federal or State law or a condition of a Federal or State program mandates the use of a particular contractor;
3. A purchase made through a State or Federal contract;
4. A contract where State or Federal monies are used to fund service-related programs including, but not limited to, voucher programs, foster care, or other social programs that provide immediate direct assistance;
5. Purchase orders under a master agreement, where the Contractor was certified at the time the master agreement was entered into and at any subsequent renewal, extension and/or amendment to the master agreement;
6. Purchase orders issued by Internal Services Department under \$100,000 that is not the result of a competitive bidding process;
7. Program agreements that utilize Board of Supervisors' discretionary funds;
8. National contracts established for the purchase of equipment and supplies for and by the National Association of Counties, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, or any similar related group purchasing organization;
9. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, reseller, and must match and intermember with existing supplies, equipment, or systems maintained by the County pursuant to the Los Angeles Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision;
10. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.6.0 or a successor provision;
11. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision;

12. A nonagreement purchase worth a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
  13. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual Section P-0900 or a successor provision;
  14. Other contracts for mission critical goods and/or services where the Board of Supervisors determines that an exemption is justified.
- B. Other laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any Contractor in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

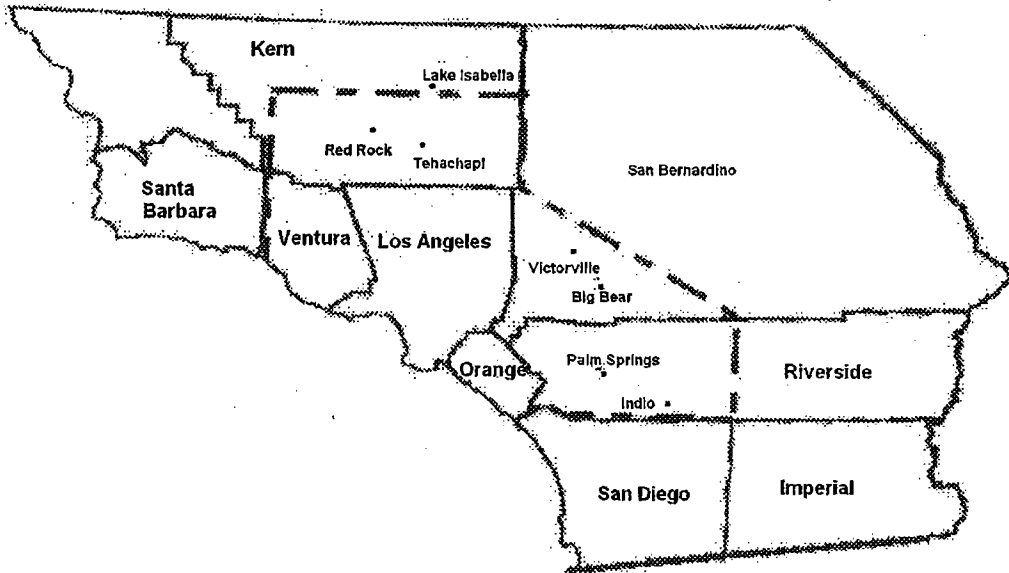
**2.206.070 Enforcement and remedies.**

- A. The information furnished by each Contractor certifying that it is in compliance with this chapter shall be under penalty of perjury.
- B. No Contractor shall willfully and knowingly make a false statement certifying compliance with this chapter for the purpose of obtaining or retaining a County contract.
- C. For Contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the County department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:
  1. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
  2. Pursuant to Chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor; and/or,
  3. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors that an exemption is justified pursuant to Section 2.206.060.A.14 of this chapter or payment deferral as provided pursuant to the California Revenue and Taxation Code. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

**2.206.080 Severability.**

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

**ELIGIBLE RECREATIONAL TRANSIT SERVICE AREA**



--- Recreational transit area eligible for full Proposition A and C funding.



Recreational transit available for proposition A and C funding on a proportional share basis.



# **LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SPECIAL EVENT TRANSPORTATION**

To: \_\_\_\_\_ (Vendor) From: \_\_\_\_\_

This confirms the order placed with your firm by this office for bus transportation as detailed below. You are required to notify us when the bus leaves the yard and when the bus makes contact with the group at the pick-up location. Please notify us by telephone at (888) 317-8317 by the scheduled en-route and pick-up times shown below. Please sign and return this written confirmation as receipt of this order via fax at (626) 979-5313.

Supervisory District	_____			
Supervisors Staff	_____			
Trip Date	_____	No. Buses	_____	Type _____
No. of Participants	_____	Group to Pay	\$ _____	
Group / Organization	_____			
Contact Person	_____		Phone	_____
Cellphone No	_____		Fax	_____

En-route Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Pick-up Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Return to Pick-up Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pick-up Location(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Map Ref \_\_\_\_\_

1	_____
2	_____
3	_____

Destinations	Destination Address	Map Ref
1	_____	_____
2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____

Comments / Instructions:

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	Received Written Confirmation from Vendor	_____
	Verified with Group Contact Person on	_____
		_____

**Vendor Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ Printed 06/27/11 8:37:00 AM

**CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM****1. Substance Abuse Testing**

It shall be the duty of Contractor to take all steps feasible to ensure that those employed personnel, independent contractors' or subcontractors' employees servicing or operating Service Vehicles pursuant to the Scope of Work do not perform those functions under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances, or medication which impairs their judgment or physical ability.

In meeting this duty, Contractor shall, at a minimum, do the following:

**A. Promulgate and Distribute to All Personnel a Written Policy Statement Prohibiting Servicing and/or Operating Service Vehicles While Under the Influence of Alcohol, Controlled Substances, or Any Medication Which Impairs Judgment or Physical Ability**

The written policy statement shall indicate Contractor's intention to: (1) initiate substance abuse testing as described herein below; (2) immediately suspend any personnel testing "positive" for substance abuse from servicing or operating Service Vehicles pending review pursuant to the procedure described herein below; and (3) absent overruling on review to permanently prohibit such person from servicing or operating Service Vehicles.

**B. Institute a Comprehensive Program for Substance Abuse Testing for All Personnel Entailing Urinalysis and/or Blood Tests**

**1. Pre-employment testing of job applicants, independent contractors' and subcontractors' employees all as part of the pre-employment physical examination**

Urine and/or blood samples will be taken as part of the pre-employment physical examination process and will be subjected to recognized testing procedures employed by duly licensed clinical laboratory technicians to determine the presence of alcohol and/or any controlled substance as that term is used in the Health and Safety Code, Section 11054, including, but not limited to, marijuana and its derivatives, opium and its derivatives, methaqualone, methamphetamine, lysergic acid diethylamide, psilocybin, or mescaline. Evidence of controlled substance presence in urine or blood of any job applicant shall require denial of the job application. Evidence of a blood alcohol level at the time of testing of greater than **0.04** percent shall likewise require denial of the job application.

If Contractor at any time during the period of this Contract uses or contemplates usage of independent contractors' or subcontractors' employees to service or operate the Service Vehicles, the individuals who would perform such functions under such contractual

arrangement shall be tested in the fashion described hereinabove and shall be prohibited from performing said functions upon testing "positive" for controlled substance use or blood alcohol concentration in excess of **0.04** percent.

2. Mandatory drug testing within three (3) hours of a traffic accident or incident giving rise to a suspicion of substance abuse

The Contractor shall make the necessary arrangements for and require substance abuse testing of all personnel, independent contractors' or subcontractors' employees involved in a traffic accident while operating a Service Vehicle within as short a time as possible following the accident and in no event to exceed three (3) hours thereafter.

The Contractor shall make the necessary arrangements for and require substance abuse testing of all personnel, independent contractors' or subcontractors' employees servicing or operating a Service Vehicle as to whom a report has been received from the public or from coworkers or supervisors as to involvement in a physical altercation, being verbally abusive or otherwise acting in a bizarre manner. The Contractor shall make arrangements to provide for continued public transportation service prior to ordering the subject individual to report for drug testing, but shall make every effort to have the testing occur within three (3) hours of the reported incident.

In addition to the testing required under Subsection 1.B.1 hereinabove, the testing required pursuant to this subsection shall include testing for the presence of prescription drugs and other over-the-counter medications which are known, on occasion, to cause drowsiness, impairment of judgment, and/or impairment of physical coordination and activity. This classification of substance is intended to include among other things: antihistamines, tranquilizers, pain killers, mood elevators, and psychotropics.

All persons testing "positive" for controlled substance abuse or showing blood-alcohol concentration in excess of **0.04** percent shall be immediately suspended from servicing or operating Service Vehicles pending review pursuant to the review procedure set forth herein below. In the absence of an overruling of the suspension pursuant to the review procedure, the Contractor shall permanently prohibit these individuals from servicing or operating Service Vehicles pursuant to the Scope of Work.

All persons whose tests indicate a blood-alcohol concentration greater than 0.00 percent but less than **0.04** percent or show the presence of a medication known on occasion to cause drowsiness, impairment of judgment, and/or impairment of coordination, and other physical abilities shall be immediately suspended from servicing or operating a

Service Vehicle for a period of twenty-four (24) hours. These individuals shall be given oral explanation and warning confirmed in writing and noted in the personnel file with respect to the potential safety hazard posed by the involved substance.

3. Non-discretionary, Random Substance Abuse Testing

The Contractor shall identify all personnel, independent contractors', or subcontractors' employees scheduled to service or operate Service Vehicles pursuant to the Scope of Work and place their names in a data pool susceptible to truly random accessibility either physically as by placement of cards in a tumbler or by programming of an information retrieval system.

Names of individuals shall be chosen for random testing on a schedule designed to test twenty-five percent (25%) of the relevant personnel and affected other personnel quarterly which schedule shall be set forth in a public statement distributed quarterly to all personnel and affected other persons. In no event shall the employee have more than six (6) hours notice prior to his or her appointment for the test.

The testing shall take place on company time at a location that does not require the person tested to expend more personal time in traveling to or from the testing site than would otherwise be expended in traveling to or from a work location.

The testing shall be as to controlled substance abuse and/or blood-alcohol concentration as set forth in Subsection 1.B.1. Upon evidence of a blood-alcohol level in excess of **0.04** percent or of the presence of any controlled substance in any tested individual, the Contractor shall immediately suspend that individual from servicing or operating a Service Vehicle pursuant to the Scope of Work.

If the finding of substance abuse is not overruled upon review, the Contractor shall permanently prohibit any such individual from servicing or operating a Service Vehicle pursuant to the Scope of Work.

4. Double Testing

All urine and/or blood samples taken for the testing described hereinabove which test positive shall be processed twice for each subject substance. In those cases where it is necessary to perform a second test on a urine sample, the second test shall use a different methodology to assure the validity of the results.

No disciplinary action set forth herein shall be taken unless the urine or blood tests "positive" for the subject substance in each test.



5. Notification of Suspension and Intent to Prohibit Servicing or Operating of Service Vehicles or Performance of Function with Potential Impact upon Public Safety

The Contractor shall, upon receipt of substance abuse test results warranting action herein under, notify the subject individual of his immediate suspension and of the Contractor's intention to prohibit performance of specified duties. The Contractor is not required hereby to terminate employment of the individual altogether.

C. Institute A Review Procedure

The Contractor shall provide use of a meeting room and, as to the employee Board member, paid time for the convening of a drug-testing Review Board on an as-needed basis.

An individual must request a review in writing and must deliver that request to any superior within two (2) business days of receipt of the notice of suspension or forfeit his right of review. The superior shall deliver the request to any Board member.

The Board shall consist of a member appointed by the Contractor, an employee representative (who shall be an employee of the Contractor), and a third party chosen by the other two (2).

The Board shall decide upon the consequences of the substance testing set forth in Subsection B above within one (1) week of receipt of the request for review.

The Board shall hold short hearings at which the individual tested shall have the opportunity to dispute the fact of substance abuse and present evidence of extenuating circumstances.

The rules of evidence need not be applied. The fact of substance abuse will be presumed from the results of the substance test. Anticipated as the factual basis for rebutting that presumption would be a contrary test result obtained by the individual voluntarily in a relevant time frame from a competent disinterested laboratory.

The Board may make ex parte inquiries to County Health officials with respect to any review proceeding.

The Board has absolute discretion to question of extenuating circumstances.

The Board shall vote on whether to sustain or overrule the prohibition intended to be imposed within one (1) week of the hearing. A two-thirds vote is required to overrule the Contractor's intended work prohibition.

The decision shall be written but need not be a formal document.

2. Confidentiality

The substance test results and any material presented to the Review Board shall be maintained in a confidential file by the Contractor. The confidentiality shall be of a limited nature. The files will not be available for public inspection and the information therein shall not be otherwise published. The County shall have access thereto however. Statistics generated there from without specific reference to individuals may be published or made available for public inspection; and the Contractor will not refuse to honor a criminal or civil subpoena relative thereto.

3. Liability

The County shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Contractor, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all liability, expense, including defense costs and legal fees, and claims for damages arising from the institution of legal proceedings challenging the right of the Contractor to subject its employees to mandatory random drug and alcohol abuse testing, or to require its subcontractors to do the same.

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY MANDATORY  
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM  
QUARTERLY REPORT**

**Contractor:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Reporting Period:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Agreement/Contract No.:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Project:** \_\_\_\_\_

A requirement of the subject Agreement or Scope of Work is the mandatory quarterly drug testing program. Please complete and submit one of these forms no later than fifteen (15) days after the end of each quarter.

**FAX to:** (626) 979-5359

or

**MAIL to:** Los Angeles County Department of Public Works  
Attention Transit Operations Section  
P.O. Box 1460  
Alhambra, CA 91802-1460

<b>I. <u>RANDOM TESTING</u></b>	<b><u>DRIVERS</u></b>	<b><u>MECH.</u></b>	<b><u>OTHER</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
a. Number of drivers and mechanics assigned to project this quarter.	_____	_____	_____	_____
b. Number of random test (25% minimum)	_____	_____	_____	_____
c. Number of positive tests results	_____	_____	_____	_____
d. Number of positive second tests	_____	_____	_____	_____
e. Action taken due to second positive tests	_____	_____	_____	_____
 <b>II. <u>PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTING</u></b>				
a. Number of potential employees tested	_____	_____	_____	_____
b. Number of positive tests results	_____	_____	_____	_____
c. Action taken on positive tests	_____	_____	_____	_____
 <b>III. <u>INCIDENT-RELATED TESTING</u></b>				
a. Number of employees tested	_____	_____	_____	_____
b. Number of positive tests results	_____	_____	_____	_____
c. Number of positive second tests	_____	_____	_____	_____
d. Action taken due to second positive tests	_____	_____	_____	_____

Prepared By \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**TRANSIT SECURITY PLAN**

**(To be provided by the Contractor)**