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1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

Background on County

The County of Los Angeles is one of the nation's largest counties with 4,300 square miles, an area some 800 square miles larger than the combined area of the states of Delaware and Rhode Island. Los Angeles County (LAC) includes the islands of San Clemente and Santa Catalina. It has the largest population (over 10 million) of any county in the nation, exceeding all but eight states. It is important to note that approximately 27 percent of California's residents live in LAC. The population served is 48% Hispanic, 28% Caucasian, 14% Asian/Pacific Islander, 8% African American, 0.2% American Indian (data is from <http://www.lapublichealth.org/docs/annualrpt2011L.pdf>). Of those residents, the language used most often at home is English (64.5%), Spanish 26.5%, Asian 7.5%, Other European 0.9%, and Other 0.6% (data is from the LAC Department of Public Health (DPH or Department) June 2009 Key Indicators of Health by Service Planning Area, <http://www.lapublichealth.org/docs/keyindicators.pdf>)

Developing effective messages and reaching LAC's is diverse populations requires using a range of communications channels including face-to-face; print; web; and, increasingly, new media which includes social media channels such as YouTube, Flickr, Tumblr, and Facebook. Additionally, according to the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), more than 92 languages are spoken by its 600,000+ student population. LAUSD also reports that one (1) in three (3) of its students is an English Learner, most frequently reporting Spanish, Armenian, Korean, Tagalog, and Cantonese as their primary language. Using LAUSD's student population as a proxy for LAC's overall population demonstrates that language diversity like that which exists in LAC, challenges organizations' capacity to provide quality care and services. Furthermore, emergency response situations such as earthquakes and radiological events often intensify the language barrier. DPH must augment its current language capacity and communications capacity to effectively provide community-based preparedness information to its diverse populations.

Purpose

DPH is seeking qualified companies with expertise managing, evaluating, designing, marketing, and engaging communities in large-scale multilingual media campaigns in public health with particular expertise in areas such as emergency preparedness and response targeting LAC's diverse media markets to enter into Master Agreements with the County to provide Media services. Vendors may seek to qualify in one or more of the following categories:

- ▶ Design and Creating
- ▶ Mechanicals
- ▶ Social Media
- ▶ Outreach

The objective of this Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) is to secure a pool of qualified vendors to provide as-needed media services as required by the Department. The Master Agreement will be offered to all agencies determined to be qualified. The execution of a Master Agreement does not guarantee any minimum or maximum amount of utilization of services, and may or may not be utilized, at the County's sole discretion.

1.1 Scope of Work

Media services include, but may not be limited to, developing effective messages to reach LAC's diverse populations using a range of communication channels including face-to-face; print; web; and new media which includes social media channels such as YouTube, Flickr, Tumblr, and Facebook.

Upon the Department's execution of Master Agreements, the qualified agencies will become County Contractors, and thereafter be solicited under competitive conditions to provide as needed Media services under Work Orders to be issued by County. Work Orders shall include a Statement of Work which shall describe in detail the particular project and the work required for the performance thereof.

1.2 Overview of Solicitation Document

This RFSQ is composed of the following parts:

GENERAL INFORMATION: Specifies the Vendor's minimum qualifications and provides information regarding some of the requirements of the Master Agreement and the solicitation process.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS: Contains instructions to Vendors in how to prepare and submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ).

SOQ REVIEW/SELECTION QUALIFICATION PROCESS: Explains how the SOQ will be reviewed, selected, and qualified.

APPENDICES:

- ▶ A - **REQUIRED FORMS:** Forms contained in this section must be completed and included in the SOQ.
- ▶ B - **TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST A SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW:** Transmittal sent to Departments requesting a Solicitation Requirements Review.
- ▶ C - **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES POLICY OF DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL BUSINESS** County Code
- ▶ D - **JURY SERVICE ORDINANCE:** Los Angeles County Code Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090.
- ▶ E - **LISTING OF CONTRACTORS DEBARRED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY:** Contractors who are not allowed to contract with the County for a specific length of time.
- ▶ F - **IRS NOTICE 1015:** Provides information on Federal Earned Income Credit.
- ▶ G - **SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW:** County program.

- ▶ H - **MASTER AGREEMENT:** The Master Agreement used for this solicitation. The terms and conditions shown in the Master Agreement are not negotiable.
- ▶ I - **BACKGROUND AND RESOURCES: CALIFORNIA CHARITIES REGULATION:** An information sheet intended to assist Nonprofit agencies with compliance with SB 1262 – the Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004 and identify available resources.
- ▶ J - **DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM**
Los Angeles County Code 2.206

1.3 Terms and Definitions

Throughout this RFSQ, references are made to certain persons, groups, or Departments/agencies. For convenience, a description of specific definitions can be found in Appendix H, Master Agreement, Paragraph 2.0, Definitions.

1.4 Vendor's Minimum Qualifications

Interested and qualified Vendors that meet all the Minimum Qualifications stated below are invited to submit an SOQ to qualify in one or more of the categories identified in Paragraph 1.4.1 below:

1.4.1 Vendor must have five (5) years experience within the last seven (7) years providing local and/or statewide media and/or public relations services **in each category for which they are attempting to qualify** and have appropriate regulatory agency licenses in good standing. Category qualifications are defined as follows:

a) Designing and Creating

Vendor must have experience and ability to design, create, develop, plan, implement, and manage public health culturally and linguistically diverse media campaigns. This may include, but is not limited to: videos, web-based applications, and digital content to be adapted and shared on multiple platforms.

b) Mechanicals

Vendor must have experience and ability to develop mechanicals, and secure various media buys and placements for various communication channels including, but are not limited to: television public service announcements (PSA's), billboards, taillight bus displays, bus shelters, interior bus ads, transit television, radio spots, internet websites, mobile phone technologies, posters, newspapers, print ads, press releases, secured media venues, and speaking engagements; production expertise; talent negotiations and tracking; spokesperson training; quality assurance; and expertise tracking key trends and issues in advertising and social marketing.

c) Social Media

Vendor must have experience and ability to: 1) update all uses of current and emerging social and digital media including, but not limited to: YouTube, Flickr, Tumblr, and Facebook; and 2) maintain a web-based application for external hosting.

d) Outreach

Vendor must have experience and ability to plan, execute, and manage community outreach multiple markets which may require diverse approaches such as convening large group events, door-to-door contact, street teams and/or mobile units, and press events to promote campaigns.

- 1.4.2 Vendor must have the ability to translate and print on demand all developed or refined materials into multiple languages which include, but are not limited to: English, Spanish, Arabic, Armenian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Farsi, Khmer, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.
- 1.4.3 Vendor must have relationships with national and local multi-ethnic media organizations and communities that have access and functional needs.
- 1.4.4 Vendor must have: 1) the ability to provide media services in multiple languages which include, but are not limited to: English, Spanish, Arabic, Armenian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Farsi, Khmer, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese; and 2) access and functional need media capabilities including services for hearing and vision impaired communities.
- 1.4.5 Vendor must currently have an office located within the geographic boundaries of LAC where services will be performed.
- 1.4.6 Vendor must demonstrate through its financial statements ability to support and manage a contract for at least sixty (60) days.

1.5 NEW FIRM ELIGIBILITY (Intentionally Omitted)

1.6 Master Agreement Process

The objective of this RFSQ is to secure a pool of qualified Vendors to provide as-needed media services. Specific tasks, deliverables, etc. will be determined at the time that DPH releases specific Work Order Solicitations (WOS) to Qualified Vendors.

- 1.6.1 Master Agreements will be executed with all Vendors determined to be qualified by category. The execution of a Master Agreement does not guarantee any minimum or maximum amount of utilization of services, and may or may not be utilized, at the County's sole discretion.

- 1.6.2 Upon the Departments' execution of these Master Agreements, the qualified Vendors will become County Contractors, and thereafter be solicited under competitive conditions, via WOS, to provide as needed media services in the category for which they are qualified. WOS will include a Statement of Work which shall describe in detail the particular project and the work required for the performance thereof. Payment for all work shall be issued in accordance with the methodology outlined in the WOS, subject to the Total Maximum Amount specified for each individual project.
- 1.6.3 Only those Contractors qualified for a specific category of media services will be contacted to submit bids for those services.

1.7 Master Agreement Term

- 1.7.1 The Master Agreement term shall be for a period of six (6) years as authorized by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board). At the conclusion of the six year period, the County shall have the option to extend the term on a six (6) month-to-month basis not to exceed, in aggregate, a maximum total master agreement term of six years, 6 months. The six (6) month-to-month extensions shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the Department.
- 1.7.2 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 1.7, any Master Agreement Work Order (MAWO) issued hereunder prior to the expiration date of the Master Agreement which has a MAWO expiration date later than the Master Agreement expiration date shall automatically extend such Master Agreement expiration date up to one hundred eighty (180) days or to the MAWO expiration date, whichever occurs later. Such extended Master Agreement expiration date shall apply only to such MAWO and shall not extend such date for any other purpose whatsoever, including issuing new Work Order Solicitations, MAWOs, and/or extending any MAWOs.
- 1.7.3 The County may at its sole discretion continue to select vendors from this RFSQ process and, depending on service needs, may elect to accept SOQs throughout the duration of the Master Agreement to qualify Vendors.

1.8 County Rights and Responsibilities

The County has the right to amend the RFSQ by written addendum. The County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in the solicitation document and any authorized written addenda thereto. Such addendum will be made available on the internet at <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/cg/index.htm>. Should such addendum require additional information not previously requested, failure to address the requirements of such addendum may result in the SOQ not being considered, as determined at 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.

1.9 Contact with County Personnel

Any contact regarding this RFSQ or any matter relating thereto must be in writing and may be mailed, e-mailed or faxed as follows:

Robert Cheshier, MA
Emergency Preparedness and Response Program
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
600 S. Commonwealth Avenue, Suite # 700
Los Angeles, CA 90005
Fax: (213) 381-0006
rcheshier@ph.lacounty.gov

If it is discovered that a Vendor contacted and received information from any County personnel, other than the person specified above, regarding this solicitation, County, in its sole determination, may disqualify their SOQ from further consideration.

1.10 Mandatory Requirement to Register on County's WebVen

Prior to executing a Master Agreement, all potential Contractors **must register** in the County's WebVen. The WebVen contains the Vendor's business profile and identifies the goods/services the business provides. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County's home page at http://doingbusiness.lacounty.gov/main_db.htm

1.11 County Option to Reject SOQs or Cancel RFSQ

The County may, at its sole discretion, reject any or all SOQs submitted in response to this RFSQ. In addition, the RFSQ process may be canceled at any time, when the Director determines at his/her sole discretion that a cancellation is in the best interest of the County. The County shall not be liable for any cost incurred by a Vendor in connection with preparation and submittal of any SOQ. The County reserves the right to waive inconsequential disparities in a submitted SOQ.

1.12 Protest Process

1.12.1 Under Board Policy No. 5.055 (Services Contract Solicitation Protest), any prospective Vendor may request a review of the requirements under a solicitation for a Board-approved services contract, as described in Section 1.12.3 below. Additionally, any actual Vendor may request a review of a disqualification under such a solicitation, as described in the Sections below.

1.12.2 Throughout the review process, the County has no obligation to delay or otherwise postpone an award of contract based on a Vendor 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.

1.12.3 **Grounds for Review**

Unless state or federal statutes or regulations otherwise provide, the grounds for review of any Departmental determination or action should be limited to the following:

- Review of Solicitation Requirements Review (Reference sub-paragraph 2.4 in the Instructions to Vendors section)
- Review of a Disqualified SOQ (Reference sub-paragraph 3.2 in the Review/Selection/Qualification Process Section)

1.13 **Notice to Vendor’s Regarding Public Records Act**

1.13.1 Responses to this RFSQ shall become the exclusive property of the County. At such time as when DPH recommends the qualified Vendor(s) to the Board and such recommendations appear on the Board agenda, all SOQ’s submitted in response to this RFSQ, become a matter of public record, with the exception of those parts of each SOQ which are justifiably defined and identified by the Vendor as business or trade secrets, and plainly marked as “Trade Secret,” “Confidential,” or “Proprietary.”

1.13.2 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 Vendor must specifically label only those provisions of their respective SOQ which are “Trade Secrets,” “Confidential,” or “Proprietary” in nature.**

1.14 **Indemnification and Insurance**

Vendor shall be required to comply with the Indemnification provisions contained in Appendix H - Master Agreement, sub-paragraph 8.22. Vendor shall procure, maintain, and provide to the County proof of insurance coverage for all the programs of insurance along with associated amounts specified in Appendix H - Master Agreement, sub-paragraphs 8.23 and 8.24.

1.15 **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

1.16 Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP)

Vendor shall 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 (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

1.17 Background and Security Investigations

Background and security investigations of Vendor's staff are required as a condition of beginning and continuing work under any resulting agreement. The cost of background checks is the responsibility of the Vendor.

1.18 Confidentiality and Independent Contractor Status

As appropriate, Contractor shall be required to comply with the Confidentiality provision sub-paragraph 7.6 and the Independent Contractor Status sub-paragraph 8.21 in Appendix H, Master Agreement.

1.19 Conflict of Interest

No County employee whose position in the County enables him/her to influence the selection of a Contractor for this RFSQ, or any competing RFSQ, nor any spouse or economic dependent of such employees, shall be employed in any capacity by a Vendor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in the selection of a Contractor. Vendor shall certify that he/she is aware of and has read Section 2.180.010 of the Los Angeles County Code as stated in Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibit 3, Certification of No Conflict of Interest.

1.20 Determination of Vendor Responsibility

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

1.20.2 Vendors are hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may determine whether the Vendor is responsible based on a review of the Vendor'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 Vendor against public entities. Labor law violations which are the fault of the subcontractors and of which the Vendor had no knowledge shall not be the basis of a determination that the Vendor is not responsible.

- 1.20.3 The County may declare a Vendor to be non-responsible for purposes of this Master Agreement if the Board, in its discretion, finds that the Vendor 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 Vendor'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.
- 1.20.4 If there is evidence that the Vendor may not be responsible, the Department shall notify the Vendor in writing of the evidence relating to the Vendor's responsibility, and its intention to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Vendor be found not responsible. The Department shall provide the Vendor and/or the Vendor's representative with an opportunity to present evidence as to why the Vendor should be found to be responsible and to rebut evidence which is the basis for the Departments' recommendation.
- 1.20.5 If the Vendor presents evidence in rebuttal to the Department, the Department shall 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 Vendor shall reside with the Board.
- 1.20.6 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Vendors on County contracts.

1.21 Vendor Debarment

- 1.21.1 The Vendor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may debar the Vendor 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 (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and the County may terminate any or all of the Vendor's existing contracts with County, if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Vendor 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 Vendor'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 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.
- 1.21.2 If there is evidence that the apparent highest ranked Vendor may be subject to debarment, the Department shall notify the Vendor in writing of the evidence

which is the basis for the proposed debarment, and shall advise the Vendor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

- 1.21.3 The Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Vendor and/or Vendor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Vendor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Vendor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board.
- 1.21.4 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.
- 1.21.5 If a Vendor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Vendor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) 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 Vendor 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.
- 1.21.6 The Contractor Hearing Board will consider requests for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Vendor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) 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 procedures as for a debarment hearing.
- 1.21.7 The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall 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 shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

- 1.21.8 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Vendors on County contracts.
- 1.21.9 Appendix E provides a link to the County's website where there is a listing of Contractors that are currently on the Debarment List for Los Angeles County.

1.22 Contractor's Adherence to County Child Support Compliance Program

Contractors 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 Notice 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 Master Agreement or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliant Contractor (County Code Chapter 2.202).

1.23 Gratuities

1.23.1 Attempt to Secure Favorable Treatment

It is improper for any County officer, employee or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from a Vendor with the implication, suggestion or statement that the Vendor's provision of the consideration may secure more favorable treatment for the Vendor in the award of a Master Agreement or that the Vendor's failure to provide such consideration may negatively affect the County's consideration of the Vendor's submission. A Vendor 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 a Master Agreement.

1.23.2 Vendor Notification to County

A Vendor 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 Vendor's submission being eliminated from consideration.

1.23.3 Form of Improper Consideration

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

1.24 Notice to Vendors 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 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 Vendor to review the ordinance independently as the text of said ordinance is not contained within this RFSQ. Thereafter, 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 Vendor is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code and each such County Lobbyist is not on the Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists by completing and submitting the Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification, as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibit 6, as part of their SOQ.

1.25 Federal Earned Income Credit

The 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 the Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015. Reference Appendix F.

1.26 Consideration of GAIN/GROW Participants for Employment

As a threshold requirement for consideration of a Master Agreement, Vendors shall demonstrate a proven record of hiring participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Programs or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Vendors shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Vendor's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities. Vendors who are unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for a Master Agreement.

Vendors shall complete and return the form, Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants, as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibit 11, as part of their SOQ.

1.27 County's Quality Assurance Plan

After award of a Master Agreement and subsequent Work Order(s), the County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under the Master Agreement and Work Order on an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all terms in the Master Agreement and performance standards identified in the Work Order. Contractor's deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may jeopardize performance of this Master Agreement and subsequent Work Orders will be reported to the Board. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate the Master Agreement and/or Work Order in whole or in part, or impose other penalties as specified in the Master Agreement.

1.28 Recycled Bond Paper

Vendor shall be required to comply with the County's policy on recycled bond paper as specified in Appendix H - Master Agreement, sub-paragraph 8.38.

1.29 Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The 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 Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Appendix G of this solicitation document and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

1.30 County Policy on Doing Business with Small Business

- 1.30.1 The County has multiple programs that address small businesses. The Board encourages small business participation in the County's contracting process by constantly streamlining and simplifying our selection process and expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for our business.
- 1.30.2 The Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program requires the Company to complete a certification process. This program and how to obtain certification are further explained in sub-paragraph 1.32 of this RFSQ.
- 1.30.3 The Jury Service Program provides exceptions to the Program if a company qualifies as a Small Business. It is important to note that each Program has a different definition for Small Business. You may qualify as a Small Business in one Program but not the other. Further explanation of the Jury Service Program is provided in sub-paragraph 1.31 of this RFSQ.

- 1.30.4 The County also has a Policy on Doing Business with Small Business that is stated in Appendix C.

1.31 Jury Service Program

The prospective contract is subject to the requirements of the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance ("Jury Service Program") (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the Jury Service Ordinance, Appendix D, and the pertinent jury service provisions of the Appendix H - Master Agreement, sub-paragraph 8.7, both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this RFSQ. The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their Subcontractors. SOQs that fail to comply with the requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

- 1.31.1 The Jury Service Program requires Contractors and their Subcontractors 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 Contractor 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.
- 1.31.2 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 twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this 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.

- 1.31.3 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 Certification Form and Application for Exception, as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibit 12, 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.

1.32 Local Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Preference Program

(INTENTIONALLY OMITTED, see Appendix H, Paragraph 9.2.5)

1.33 Local Small Business Enterprise (SBE) 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 receipt of an undisputed invoice.

1.34 Notification to County of Pending Acquisitions/Mergers by Proposing Company

The Vendor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of their company. This information shall be provided by the Vendor on Appendix A - Required Forms - Exhibit 2 - Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit. Failure of the Vendor to provide this information may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration.

1.35 Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program

- 1.35.1 In reviewing Work Order Bids, 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 (3) years, an entity: 1) that is a non-profit 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 the Department with their bid response to the contracting solicitation for which they are competing; 2) has been in operation for at least one year providing transitional job and the related supportive services to program participants; and 3) provide a profile of their program with a description of their program components designed to assist program participants, number of past program participants, and any other information requested by a contracting Department.

1.35.2 Transitional Job Opportunities vendors must request the preference in each Work Order Bid response and may not receive the preference until their certification has been affirmed by the Department. County must verify the Transitional Job Opportunity vendor certification prior to applying the preference. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a Bidder that knowingly and with intent to defraud seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a Transitional Job Opportunities vendor.

1.36 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH)

Contractor shall be required to comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and with the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), as contained in Appendix H - Master Agreement, sub-paragraph 9.1.

1.37 Contractor's Charitable Contributions Compliance

1.37.1 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) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. Prospective contractors should carefully read the Background and Resources: California Charities Regulations, Appendix I New rules cover California public benefit corporations, unincorporated associations, and 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 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.

1.37.2 All prospective contractors must determine if they receive or raise charitable contributions which subject them to the Charitable Purposes Act and complete the Charitable Contributions Certification, Exhibit 15 as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms. A completed Exhibit 15 is a required part of any agreement with the County.

1.37.3 In Appendix A, Required Forms, Exhibit 15, prospective contractors certify either that:

- ▶ 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 agreement, **OR**
- ▶ 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.

- 1.37.4 Prospective County contractors that do not complete Exhibit 15 as part of the solicitation process may, in the County's sole discretion, be disqualified from 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).

1.38 Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

The prospective contract is subject to the requirements of the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program ("Defaulted Tax Program") (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the Defaulted Property Tax Program Ordinance, Appendix J, and the pertinent provisions of the Sample Master Agreement, Appendix H, Sub-paragraph 8.50 and 8.51, both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this solicitation. The Defaulted Tax Program applies to both Contractors and their Subcontractors.

Vendor's 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, Exhibit 13 in Appendix A – Required Forms. 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-compliance 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.

1.39 Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (45 C.F.R. Part 76)

- 1.39.1 Pursuant to federal law, the County is prohibited from contracting with parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are suspended, debarred or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. At the time of Contractor's response to a WOS, Contractor must submit the Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility & Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tiered Covered Transactions, as set forth in Appendix H – Exhibit G5, attesting that neither it, as an organization, nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, or other principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Should a response to any WOS identify prospective subcontractors, or should Contractor intend to use subcontractors in the provision of services under any

subsequent contract, Contractor must submit a certification, completed by each subcontractor, attesting that neither the subcontractor, as an organization, nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, or other principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts.

- 1.39.2 Failure to provide the required certification may eliminate Contractor's response to a WOS from consideration.
- 1.39.3 In the event that Contractor and/or its subcontractor(s) is or are unable to provide the required certification, Contractor instead shall provide a written explanation concerning its and/or its subcontractor's inability to provide the certification. Contractor's written explanation shall describe the specific circumstances concerning the inability to certify. It further shall identify any owner, officer, partner, director, or other principal of the Vendor and/or subcontractor who is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Finally, the written explanation shall provide that person's or those persons' job description(s) and function(s) as they relate to the contract which is being solicited by any WOS in association with this RFSQ.
- 1.39.4 The written explanation shall be examined by the County to determine, in its full discretion, whether further consideration of the response to a WOS is appropriate under the federal law.

2.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS

This Section contains key project dates and activities as well as instructions to Vendors in how to prepare and submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ).

2.1 County Responsibility

The County is not responsible for representations made by any of its officers or employees prior to the execution of the Master Agreement unless such understanding or representation is included in the Master Agreement.

2.2 Truth and Accuracy of Representations

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

2.3 RFSQ Timetable

The timetable for this RFSQ is as follows:

- Release of RFSQ10/12/12
- Request for a Solicitation Requirements Review Due10/25/12
- Written Questions Due10/25/12
- Response to Questions Released.....11/8/12
- *SOQ due by (3:00 PM) (Pacific Time)11/21/12

* (The County, at its sole discretion, may elect to accept SOQ throughout the duration of the Master Agreement to qualify Vendors, depending on the service needs of the Department.)

2.4 Solicitation Requirements Review

Any person or entity may seek a Solicitation Requirements Review by submitting Appendix B - Transmittal Form to Request a Solicitation Requirements Review to the Department conducting the solicitation as described in this Section. A request for a Solicitation Requirements Review may be denied, in the Department's sole discretion, if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review is submitted on or before October 25, 2012 to the address and contact person identified in Paragraph 1.9, Contact with County Personnel.
2. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review includes documentation, which demonstrates the underlying ability of the person or entity to submit a proposal.
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 Vendor.

The Solicitation Requirements Review shall be completed and the Department's determination shall be provided to the requesting person or entity, in writing, within a reasonable time prior to the proposal due date.

2.5 Vendors' Questions

Vendors may submit written questions regarding this RFSQ by mail, fax or e-mail to the individual identified in Paragraph 1.9, Contact with County Personnel. All questions must be received by October 25, 2012. All questions, without identifying the submitting company, will be compiled with the appropriate answers and issued as an addendum to the RFSQ.

When submitting questions please specify the RFSQ section number, paragraph number, and page number and quote the language that prompted the question. This will ensure that the question can be quickly found in the RFSQ. County reserves the right to group similar questions when providing answers.

Questions may address concerns that the application of minimum requirements, evaluation criteria and/or business requirements would unfairly disadvantage Vendors or, due to unclear instructions, may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from Vendor.

2.6 Vendors Conference (Intentionally Omitted)

DPH will not conduct a Vendors Conference for this RFSQ.

2.7 Preparation and Format of the SOQ

All SOQs must be bound and submitted in the prescribed format. Any SOQ that deviates from this format may be rejected without review at the County's sole discretion.

The content and sequence of the SOQ must be as follows:

- Table of Contents
- Vendor's Qualifications (Section A)
- Required Forms (Section B)
- Proof of Insurability (Section C)
- Proof of Licenses (Section D)

2.7.1 Table of Contents

The Table of Contents must be a comprehensive listing of material included in the SOQ. This section must include a clear definition of the material, identified by sequential page numbers and by section reference numbers.

2.7.2 Vendor's Qualifications (Section A)

Demonstrate that the Vendor's organization has the experience to perform the required services. The following sections must be included:

A. Vendor's Background and Experience (Section A.1)

Vendor shall complete, sign, and date Exhibit 1, SOQ Checklist, and Exhibit 2, Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit as set forth in Appendix A, Required Forms. Exhibit 2 will serve as an Affidavit that firm attests that it meets the minimum requirements for the desired category(ies). **The person signing the forms must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Vendor and to bind the vendor in a Master Agreement.**

Required Supporting Documents:

SOQ Category Specific Qualifications

For each category for which firm is attempting to qualify, Vendor must provide a Statement of Experience (SOE) that includes sufficient details to demonstrate firm's ability to carry out the specialized media needs of the Department. Do not merely attest your firm will comply or restate the requirement. In addition, the SOE shall include a summary of relevant background information to demonstrate that the vendor meets the minimum qualifications, including years in service, stated in subparagraph 1.4 of this RFSQ. The SOE for each desired category must not exceed 2 (two) pages.

Vendor's Organizational Structure

Taking into account the structure of the Vendor's organization, Vendor shall determine which of the below referenced supporting documents the County requires. If the Vendor's organization does not fit into one of these categories, upon receipt of the SOQ or at some later time, the County may, in its discretion, request additional documentation regarding the Vendor's business organization and authority of individuals to sign MAWOs/MA.

If the below referenced documents are not available at the time of SOQ submission, Vendors must request the appropriate documents from the California Secretary of State and provide a statement on the status of the request.

Corporations or Limited Liability Company (LLC):

The Vendor must submit the following documentation with the SOQ:

- 1) A copy of a "Certificate of Good Standing" with the state of incorporation/organization.
- 2) A conformed copy of the most recent "Statement of Information" as filed with the California Secretary of State listing corporate officers or members and managers.

Limited Partnership:

The Vendor must submit a conformed copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership or Application for Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership as filed with the California Secretary of State, and any amendments.

B. Vendor's References (Section A.2)

It is the Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure that the firm's name, and point of contact's name, title and phone number for each reference is accurate. The same references may be listed on both forms – Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibits 7 and 8.

County may disqualify a Vendor if:

- references fail to substantiate Vendor's description of the services provided; or
- references fail to support that Vendor has a continuing pattern of providing capable, productive and skilled media services, or
- the Department is unable to reach the point of contact with reasonable effort. It is the Vendor's responsibility to provide accurate information and any person identified as the point of contact must be reachable during normal working hours.

The Vendor must complete and include Required Forms, Exhibits 7, 8, and 9 as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms

a. Prospective Contractor References, Exhibit 7

Vendor must provide three (3) references where the same or similar scopes of services were provided.

b. Prospective Contractor List of Contracts, Exhibit 8

The listing must include all Public Entities contracts for the last three (3) years. A photocopy of this form should be used if necessary.

c. Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts for Non-Performance, Exhibit 9

Listing must include contracts terminated within the past three (3) years with a reason for termination.

C. Vendor’s Pending Litigation and Judgments (Section A.3)

On Appendix A, Required Forms, Exhibit 10, identify by name, case and court jurisdiction any pending litigation in which Vendor is involved, or judgments against Vendor in the past five (5) years. Provide a statement describing the size and scope of any pending or threatening litigation against the Vendor or principals of the Vendor. If a Vendor has no Pending Litigation and/or Judgments, provide a statement indicating so.

D. Vendor’s Financial Viability (Section A.4)

Provide copies of the company’s most current and prior two (2) fiscal years (for example 2011/2012, 2010/2011, and 2009/2010) financial statements. Financial statements should reflect the financial strength and capability of the company in the provision of required services throughout the term of any resultant Contract, as well as evidence of the Company’s capability to absorb all costs related to the provision of services for a minimum of sixty (60) days, during any resultant Contract. The following accounts must be included in your company’s financial statements:

Balance Sheet Accounts

1. Current Assets
 - Cash
 - Short Term Investments*
 - Accounts Receivable *
2. Current Liabilities
3. Total Assets
4. Total Liabilities
5. Owner’s/Shareholder’s Equity

Income Statement Accounts

1. Total Operating Expenses (before taxes)
 - Bad Debts *
 - Depreciation*
 - Amortization*
2. Total Expenses
3. Gross Income
4. Net Income

*** may be excluded if they do not apply to your company’s operations**

It should be noted that depending on the nature of the entity, i.e., for-profit, non-profit, governmental, the title of these statements may differ. For example, for a non-profit entity the Balance Sheet is referred to as the Statement of Financial Position. If audited statements are available, these should be submitted to meet this requirement. Do not submit

Income Tax Returns to meet this requirement. Financial statements will be kept confidential if so stamped on each page.

2.7.3 Required Forms (Section B)

Section B of Proposer's SOQ shall include all forms identified in Appendix A – Required Forms except for those specifically identified below in parenthesis. Complete, sign, and date all forms. Forms that are not applicable should be marked as such.

- (Exhibit 1, SOQ Checklist should be included as the first page in Proposer's SOQ, Section A.1)
- (Exhibit 2, Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit should be included as the second page in Proposer's SOQ, Section A.1)
- Exhibit 3 Certification of No Conflict of Interest
- Exhibit 4 Vendor's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Certification
- Exhibit 5 Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/organization Information - (Intentionally Omitted)
- Exhibit 6 Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification
- (Exhibit 7, Prospective Contractor References should be included in Proposer's SOQ, Section A.2)
- (Exhibit 8, Prospective Contractor List of Contracts should be included in Proposer's SOQ, Section A.2)
- (Exhibit 9, Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts should be included in Proposer's SOQ, Section A.2)
- (Exhibit 10, Vendor's Pending Litigation and Judgments should be included in Proposer's SOQ, Section A.3)
- Exhibit 11 Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants
- Exhibit 12 County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception
- Exhibit 13 Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax reduction Program
- Exhibit 14 Certification Regarding Debarment Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (Intentionally Omitted)
- Exhibit 15 Charitable Contribution Certification
- Exhibit 16 Acceptance of Terms and Conditions in Master Agreement

2.7.4 Proof of Insurability (Section C)

Vendor must provide proof of insurability that meets all insurance requirements set forth in the Appendix H - Master Agreement, sub-paragraphs 8.23 and 8.24. If a Vendor does not currently have the required coverage, a letter from a qualified insurance carrier indicating a willingness to provide the required coverage should the Vendor be selected to receive a Master Agreement award may be submitted with the SOQ.

Additionally, Vendor must provide all information regarding current and past professional citation and incidents or charges involving Vendor as an entity or any Affiliate, or Affiliate personnel who provided services to county within the last five years. Failure to supply all accurate information regarding any such citation shall be grounds for immediate rejection of the SOQ and possible debarment.

2.7.5 Proof of Licenses (Section D)

Vendor must furnish a copy of all applicable licenses, certificates, accreditation, and permits for the provision of services for which they intend to qualify which include but are not limited to: a valid Business License. Work Order Bids may request copies of licenses/credentials/resume of staff who will be assigned to work on any part resultant Master Agreement.

2.8 SOQ Submission

The original SOQ and three (3) numbered copies shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope, plainly marked in the upper left-hand corner with the name and address of the Vendor and bear the words: **“SOQ FOR MEDIA SERVICES”**

The SOQ and any related information shall be delivered or mailed to:

Robert Cheshier, MA
Emergency Preparedness and Response Program
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
600 S. Commonwealth Avenue, Suite # 700
Los Angeles, CA 90005

It is the sole responsibility of the submitting Vendor to ensure that its SOQ is received before the submission deadline identified in subparagraph 2.3. Submitting Vendors shall bear all risks associated with delays in delivery by any person or entity, including the U.S. Mail. No facsimile (fax) or electronic mail (e-mail) copies will be accepted.

Until the proposal submission deadline, errors in SOQs may be corrected by a request in writing to withdraw the proposal and by submission of another set of proposals with the mistakes corrected. Corrections will not be accepted once the deadline for submission of SOQs has passed.

2.9 Acceptance of Terms and Conditions of Master Agreement

Vendors understand and agree that submission of the SOQ and Exhibit 16 constitutes acknowledgement and acceptance of, and a willingness to comply with, all terms and conditions of the Appendix H - Master Agreement.

The County reserves the right to make changes to the Master Agreement and its appendices and exhibits at its sole discretion.

2.10 SOQ Withdrawals

The Vendor may withdraw its SOQ at any time prior to the date and time which is set forth herein as the deadline for acceptance of SOQs, upon written request for same to the contact person identified in subparagraph 1.9 of this RFSQ, Contact with County Personnel.

3.0 SOQ REVIEW/SELECTION/QUALIFICATION PROCESS

3.1 Review Process

SOQs will be subject to a detailed review by qualified County staff. The review process will include the following steps:

3.1.1 Adherence to Minimum Qualifications (Section A)

County shall review Vendor's SOE, Exhibit 1 SOQ Checklist, and Exhibit 2 Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit, and determine if the Vendor meets the minimum qualifications as outlined in sub-paragraph 1.4 of this RFSQ. Exhibit 2 will serve as an Affidavit that firm attests that it meets the minimum requirements for the desired category(ies).

A subject matter expert will evaluate and make a Pass/Fail recommendation based on the financial strength and capability of the company in the provision of required services throughout the term of any resultant MAWO, as well as evidence of the Company's capability to absorb all costs related to the provision of services for a minimum of sixty (60) days, during any resultant MAWO. SOQs that fail this portion of the evaluation will be deemed non-responsive and disqualified. The Director, or his designee, at his/her sole discretion, may waive this requirement.

Failure of the Vendor to comply with all of the minimum qualifications may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration. The Departments may elect to waive any informality in an SOQ if the sum and substance of the SOQ is present.

3.1.2 Vendor's Qualifications

County's review will include the following:

- Vendor's Background and Experience as provided in Section A.1 of the SOQ. Vendor's ability to meet all of the criteria identified in each category it intends to qualify.
- Vendor will be evaluated on the verification of references provided in Section A.2 of the SOQ. In addition to the references provided, a review will include the County's Contract Database and Contractor Alert Reporting Database, if applicable, reflecting past performance history on County or other contracts, and a review of terminated contracts.
- If the Vendor is a corporate entity, said entity's "active" status will be verified: For California corporations the "active" status will be verified via the California Secretary of State's website: <http://kepler.sos.ca.gov/>
- A review to determine the magnitude of any pending litigation or judgments against the Vendor as provided in Section A.3.

- An evaluation of firm's financial strength and capability and make a Pass/Fail recommendation based on the information provided in Section A.4.

3.1.3 Required Forms (Section B)

All forms listed in Appendix A.

3.1.4 Proof of Insurability (Section C)

Review the proof of insurability.

3.1.5 Proof of Licenses (Section D)

Review the proof of licenses.

3.2 Disqualification Review

An SOQ may be disqualified from consideration because the Department determined it was non-responsive at any time during the review/evaluation process. If the Department determines that an SOQ is disqualified due to non-responsiveness, the vendor shall be notified in writing.

Upon receipt of the written determination of non-responsiveness, the Vendor may submit a written request for a Disqualification Review within the timeframe specified in the written determination.

A request for a Disqualification Review may, in the Department's sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The person or entity requesting a Disqualification Review is a Vendor;
2. The request for a Disqualification Review is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified in the written determination); and
3. The request for a Disqualification Review asserts that the Department's determination of disqualification due to non-responsiveness 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.

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

3.3 Selection/Qualification Process

The Department will generally select Vendors that have experience in providing a broad range of media services. However, in order to insure the Department has a varied pool of qualified Contractors, the Department may offer Master Agreements to Vendors that offer a narrow scope of services in specialized areas.

3.4 Master Agreement Award

Vendors who are notified by DPH that they appear to have the necessary qualifications and experience (i.e., they are qualified) may still not be recommended for a Master Agreement if other requirements necessary for award have not been met. Other requirements may include acceptance of the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement, and/or satisfactory documentation that required insurance will be obtained. Only when all such matters have been demonstrated to the Department's satisfaction can a Vendor, which is otherwise deemed qualified, be regarded as "selected" for recommendation of a Master Agreement.

DPH will execute Board authorized Master Agreements with each selected vendor. All Vendors will be informed of the final selections.

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REQUIRED FORMS

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
 MEDIA SERVICES MASTER AGREEMENT
 SOQ CHECKLIST**

This serves as an application for the Media Services Master Agreement.

To Complete the SOQ:

1. Check off/fill out all the requirements met and sign form
 - ▶ Minimum Qualifications, 1.4.1 through 1.4.6 (applies to all vendors)
 - ▶ Minimum Qualifications, 1.4.1, **A - D** (only complete sections in categories you intent to apply for)
2. Attach all applicable documents and content in the order and format described in RFSQ, Paragraph 2.7

PROPOSER NAME

1.4 VENDOR'S MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Interested and qualified Vendors that meet all the Minimum Qualifications stated below are invited to submit an SOQ to qualify in one or more of the categories identified below.

(Vendor please check all that apply)

1.4.1	Vendor has five (5) years experience within the last seven (7) years providing local and/or statewide media and/or public relations services in each category for which they are attempting to qualify and has appropriate regulatory agency licenses in good standing. Vendor is attempting to qualify in:	
	A. Designing and Creating Vendor attests that it has the experience and ability to design, create, develop, plan, implement and manage public health culturally and linguistically diverse media campaigns. This may include but is not limited to videos, web-based applications and digital content to be adapted and shared on multiple platforms.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	B. Mechanicals Vendor attests that it has the experience and ability to develop mechanicals and secure various media buys and placements for various communication channels including, but not limited to: television public service announcements (PSA's), billboards, taillight bus displays, bus shelters, interior bus ads, transit television, radio spots, internet websites, mobile phone technologies, posters, newspapers, print ads, press releases, secured media venues, and speaking engagements; production expertise; talent negotiations and tracking; spokesperson training; quality assurance; and expertise tracking key trends and issues in advertising and social marketing.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	C. Social Media Vendor attests that it has the experience and ability to: 1) update all uses of current and emerging social and digital media including, but limited to: YouTube, Flickr, Tumblr, and Facebook; and 2) maintain web-based application for external hosting.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	D. Outreach Vendor attests that it has the experience and ability to plan, execute, and manage community outreach to multiple markets which may require diverse approaches such as convening of large group events, door-to-door contact, street teams and/or mobile units, and press events to promote campaigns.	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4.2	Vendor's has the ability to translate and print on demand all developed or refined materials into multiple languages which include, but not limited to, English, Spanish, Arabic, Armenian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Farsi, Khmer, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4.3	Vendor has relationships with national and local multi-ethnic media organizations and communities that have access and functional needs.	<input type="checkbox"/>

1.4.4	Vendor has the ability to provide media services in multiple languages which include, but are not limited to: English, Spanish, Arabic, Armenian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Farsi, Khmer, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese, as well as access and functional need media capabilities, including services for hearing and vision impaired communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4.5	Vendor certifies that it currently has an office located within the geographic boundaries of Los Angeles County where services will be performed.	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4.6	Vendor has demonstrated through its financial statements ability to support and manage a contract for at least sixty (60) days.	<input type="checkbox"/>
RFSQ, Paragraph 2.7.1, Table of Contents (Proposer's SOQ)		<input type="checkbox"/>
RFSQ, Paragraph 2.7.2, A. Vendor's Background and Experience (Proposer's SOQ Section A.1)		<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 1:	Statement of Qualification Checklist	
Exhibit 2:	Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>For each category for which Vendor is attempting to qualify Vendor submitted a Statement of Experience that</p> <p>1) demonstrates firm's ability to carry out the specialized media needs of the Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Design and Creating <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Mechanicals <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Social Media <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Outreach <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <p>2) provides a summary of relevant background information to demonstrate that the vendor meets the minimum qualifications, including years in service, stated in sub-paragraph 1.4 of this RFSQ, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Design and Creating <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Mechanicals <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Social Media <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Outreach <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <p>3) does not exceed 2 (two) pages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Design and Creating <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Mechanicals <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Social Media <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a ▶ Outreach <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a 		
Vendor furnished a copy of Certificate of Good Standing (if Corporation or LLC)		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Vendor furnished a copy of Statement of Information (if Corporation or LLC)		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Vendor furnished a copy of Certificate of Limited Partnership or Application for Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership (if Limited Partnership)		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a
RFSQ, Paragraph 2.7.2, B. Vendor References (Proposer's SOQ Section A.2)		
Exhibit 7:	Prospective Contractor References	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 8:	Prospective Contractor List of Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 9:	Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/>
RFSQ, Paragraph 2.7.2, C. Vendor's Pending Litigation and Judgments (Proposer's SOQ Section A.3)		<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 10:	Vendor's Pending Litigation and Judgments (Section A.4 of SOQ)	

RFSQ, Paragraph 2.7.2, D. Vendor's Financial Viability (Proposer's SOQ Section A.4) Vendor furnished copies of the company's most current and prior two (2) fiscal years.	<input type="checkbox"/>
RFSQ, Paragraph 2.7.3, REQUIRED FORMS (Proposer's SOQ, Section B)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 3: Certification of No Conflict of Interest	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 4: Vendor's EEO Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 5: Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/organization Information (Intentionally Omitted)	n/a
Exhibit 6: Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 11: Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 12: County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 13: Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit 14: Certification Regarding Debarment Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (45 C.F.R. Part 76) (Intentionally Omitted)	n/a
Exhibit 15: Charitable Contributions Certification	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Exhibit 16: Acceptance of Terms and Conditions in Master Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/>
PROOF OF INSURABILITY (Proposer's SOQ Section C) Vendor furnished a copy of Certificate of Insurance (ACCORD or equivalent form) LA County named additional insured	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY	<input type="checkbox"/>
General Aggregate: \$2 million	<input type="checkbox"/>
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: \$1 million	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal and Advertising Injury: \$1 million	<input type="checkbox"/>
Each Occurrence: \$1 million	<input type="checkbox"/>
AUTO LIABILITY	<input type="checkbox"/>
Auto Liability: \$1 million	<input type="checkbox"/>
WORKERS' COMPENSATION	<input type="checkbox"/>
Each Accident: \$1 million	<input type="checkbox"/>
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not less than \$1 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate	<input type="checkbox"/>
PROOF OF LICENSES (Proposer's SOQ Section D) Vendor furnished a copy of all applicable licenses, certificates, accreditation, and permits for the provision of services for which they intend to qualify which include but are not limited to: a valid Business License	<input type="checkbox"/>

VENDOR SUPPLIED		<input type="checkbox"/>
The original SOQ and three (3) numbered copies enclosed in a sealed envelope, plainly marked in the upper left-hand corner with the name and address of the Vendor and bear the words: "SOQ FOR MEDIA SERVICES"		
<p>APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IF ANY FALSE, MISLEADING, INCOMPLETE, OR DECEPTIVELY UNRESPONSIVE STATEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SOQ ARE MADE, THE SOQ MAY BE REJECTED. THE EVALUATION AND DETERMINATION IN THIS AREA SHALL BE AT THE DIRECTOR'S SOLE JUDGMENT AND HIS/HER JUDGMENT SHALL BE FINAL.</p> <p>I DECALARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.</p>		
SIGNATURE		DATE
PRINT SIGNATOR'S NAME	TITLE	
ADDRESS	CITY , STATE	

PROPOSER'S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE AFFIDAVIT

Please complete, date and sign this form and include it in Section A.1 of the SOQ. **The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Proposer and to bind the applicant in a Master Agreement.**

1. If your firm is a corporation or limited liability company (LLC), state its legal name (as found in your Articles of Incorporation) and State of incorporation:

Name	State	Year Inc.
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2. If your firm is a limited partnership or a sole proprietorship, state the name of the proprietor or managing partner:

3. If your firm is doing business under one or more DBA's, please list all DBA's and the County(s) of registration:

Name	County of Registration	Year became DBA

4. Is your firm wholly or majority owned by, or a subsidiary of, another firm? If yes,

Name of parent firm: _____

State of incorporation or registration of parent firm: _____

5. Please list any other names your firm has done business as within the last five (5) years.

Name	Year of Name Change

6. Indicate if your firm is involved in any pending acquisition/merger, including the associated company name. If not applicable, so indicate below.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AFFIDAVIT

By signing below, Proposer attests and certifies that it meets all of the Minimum Qualifications listed in Paragraph 1.4 – Vendor’s Minimum Qualifications for all of the category(ies) for which Firm is attempting to qualify, as listed below: **(Check applicable boxes)**

- Yes** Paragraph 1.4.1 Vendor has five (5) years experience within the last seven (7) years providing local and/or statewide media and/or public relations services in **each category for which they are attempting to qualify** and have appropriate regulatory agency licenses in good standing.
Vendor attests it is qualified in:
 - Designing and Creating
 - Mechanicals
 - Social Media
 - Outreach

- Yes** Paragraph 1.4.2 Vendor attests it has the ability to translate and print on demand all developed or refined materials into multiple languages which include, but not limited to, English, Spanish, Arabic, Armenian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Farsi, Khmer, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.
- Yes** Paragraph 1.4.3 Vendor attests is has relationships with national and local multi-ethnic media organizations and communities that have access and functional needs.
- Yes** Paragraph 1.4.4 Vendor attests it has: 1) the ability to provide media services in multiple languages which include, but not limited to: English, Spanish, Arabic, Armenian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Farsi, Khmer, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese, and 2) access and functional need media capabilities, including services for hearing and vision impaired communities.
- Yes** Paragraph 1.4.5 Vendor has an office located within the geographic boundaries of Los Angeles County where services will be performed.
- Yes** Paragraph 1.4.6 Vendor has demonstrated through its financial statements ability to support and manage a contract for at least sixty (60) days.

Applicant further acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this SOQ are made, the SOQ may be rejected. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director’s sole judgment and judgment shall be final.

Corporation's Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Fax number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

On behalf of _____ (Proposer's name), I _____ (Name of Proposer's authorized representative), certify that the information contained in this Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Signature

Internal Revenue Service
Employer Identification Number

Title

California Business License Number

Date

County WebVen Number

CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, provides as follows:

CONTRACTS PROHIBITED

Notwithstanding any other section of this Code, the County shall not contract with, and shall reject any proposals 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 number 1 serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders;
3. Persons who, within the immediately preceding 12 months, came within the provisions of number 1, 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 or its service specifications; and
4. Profit-making firms or businesses in which the former employees, described in number 3, serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders.

Contracts submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval or ratification shall be accompanied by an assurance by the submitting department, district or agency that the provisions of this section have not been violated.

Proposer Name

Proposer Official Title

Official's Signature

VENDOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION

Company Name:

Address:

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

E-mail Address: _____

GENERAL

In accordance with provisions of the County Code of the County of Los Angeles, the Vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, 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.

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

Proposer Name

Proposer Official Title

Official's Signature

Title of Signer (please print)

**Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and
CBE Firm/Organization Information Form**

(Intentionally Omitted)

Form will be attached to WOS. As applicable, Qualified Vendor will complete and submit when responding to bids.

FAMILIARITY WITH THE COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

The Proposer certifies that:

- 1) it is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles Code Chapter 2.160;
- 2) that all persons acting on behalf of the Proposer organization have and will comply with it during the proposal process; and
- 3) it is not on the County's Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR REFERENCES

(Duplicate this form and submit at least five (5) references for EACH desired category)

For EACH category for which Proposer intends to qualify, submit reference forms for at least five (5) clients for whom services were performed within the last seven (7) years in order to meet the Minimum Qualifications stated in this RFSQ.

CATEGORY:	
PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR:	
NAME AND ADDRESS OF COMPANY TO PROVIDE REFERENCE	
REFERENCE CONTACT PERSON/TITLE	REFERENCE PHONE/EMAIL ADDRESS

Types of Media Services Provided: Please list the type of media services provided for the above reference. Also, indicate the scope of the project, the outcomes ***including quantifiable ability to perform services in the category for which Proposer intends to qualify.*** **Include** timeframes in which work was completed. Use additional sheets if necessary. References must clearly relate to the media service category(ies) for which Proposer intends to qualify.

Description of Services and Outcomes:	Project dates:
Quantify results to demonstrate ability to perform media services in selected category:	

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF CONTRACTS

Prospective Contractor's Name: _____

List of all public entities for which the Contractor has provided media service within the last three (3) years. Use additional sheets if necessary.

1. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.	
2. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.	
3. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.	
4. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.	
5. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract	Type of Service	Dollar Amt.	

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS

Contractor's Name: _____

List all contracts that have been terminated for cause and/or unsatisfactory work performed by contractor, with the past three (3) years.

1. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination		
2. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination		
3. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination		
4. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination		
5. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination		

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR PENDING LITIGATION AND JUDGEMENTS

Contractor's Name: _____

Identify by name, case and court jurisdiction any pending litigation in which Proposer is involved, or judgments against Proposer in the past five (5) years. Provide a statement describing the size and scope of any pending or threatening litigation against the Proposer or principals of the Proposer.

Name	Date	Case	Pending Litigation	Judgment	Size and Scope

ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Vendor shall demonstrate a proven record for hiring GAIN/GROW participants or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Vendor shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Vendor's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

Proposers unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

Proposer shall complete all of the following information, sign where indicated below, and return this form with any resumes and/or fixed price bid being submitted:

A. Proposer has a proven record of hiring GAIN/GROW participants.

YES (subject to verification by County) NO

B. Proposer is willing to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if the GAIN/GROW participant meets the minimum qualifications for the opening. "Consider" means that Proposer is willing to interview qualified GAIN/GROW participants.

YES NO

C. Proposer is willing to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to its employee-mentoring program, if available.

YES NO N/A (Program not available)

Proposer Organization: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Tel. #: _____ Fax #: _____

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

The County's solicitation for this Request for Statement of Qualifications is subject to the County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program), Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203. All Proposers, whether a contractor or subcontractor, must complete this form to either certify compliance or request an exception from the Program requirements. Upon review of the submitted form, the County department will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Proposer is excepted from the Program.

Company Name:		
Company Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:		
Solicitation For Media Services:		

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

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 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 exception 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 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 (attach agreement) that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program.

OR

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:

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

Company Name:		
Company Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:	Email address:	
Solicitation For Media Services:		

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor 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(s):

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:

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND
VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS
(45 C.F.R. PART 76)**

(Intentionally Omitted)

Form will be attached to WOS. As applicable, Qualified Vendor will complete and submit when responding to bids.

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

Company Name:

Address:

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number _____
California Registry of Charitable Trusts "CT" number _____
(if applicable) _____

E-mail Address: _____

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.

Check the Certification below that is applicable to your company.

Vendor 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 Vendor 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

Vendor 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.

Signature

Date

Name and Title of Signer (please print)

RFSQ FOR MEDIA SERVICES ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS AFFIRMATION

Company Name:

Address:

E-mail Address:

Proposer hereby affirms that it understands and agrees that a submission of a bid response/proposal to this RFSQ constitutes acknowledgement and acceptance of, and a willingness to comply with all the terms and conditions and criteria contained in the referenced RFSQ and any addenda thereto.

The County reserves the right to make changes to the Master Agreement and its appendices and exhibits at its sole discretion.

Authorized Representative:

Signature:	Date:
Print Name:	Title:

TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST A RFSQ SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

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

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

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

- Application of **Minimum 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, Vendor must explain in detail the factual reasons for the requested review. *(Attach additional pages and supporting documentation as necessary.)*

Request submitted by:

_____ (Name) _____ (Title)

For County use only

Date Transmittal Received by County: _____ Date Solicitation Released: _____

Reviewed by:

Results of Review - Comments:

Date Response sent to Vendor: _____

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; 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. Insure 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.

Title 2 ADMINISTRATION
Chapter 2.203.010 through 2.203.090
CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE

2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means 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 such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
 - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
 - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
 - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
 - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
 - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
 - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or
 - 7. A non-agreement purchase with 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
 - 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

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- D. "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 chief administrative officer, or
 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall 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 employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a 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. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

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2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
 - 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
 - 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
 - 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

“Dominant in its field of operation” means having more than ten 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. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. 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. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

LISTING OF CONTRACTORS DEBARRED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

List of Debarred Contractors in Los Angeles County may be obtained by going to the following website:

http://lacounty.info/doing_business/DebarmentList.htm



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Notice 1015

(Rev. December 2011)

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

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.

Notice **1015** (Rev. 12-2011)
Cat. No. 205991

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Safely Surrendered Baby Law

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

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?

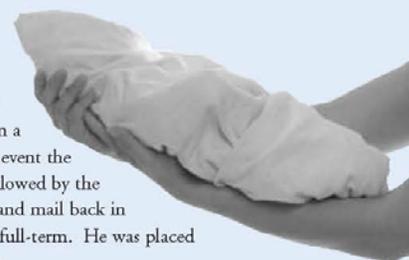
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

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*



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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, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado 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 arrestados 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 Ángeles. 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 Ángeles 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 impide 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.



APPENDIX H



MASTER AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

AND

(CONTRACTOR)

**FOR
MEDIA SERVICES**

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Appendix H

MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND

FOR MEDIA SERVICES

This Master Agreement and Exhibits made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 200__ by and between the County of Los Angeles, _____ Department of Public Health hereinafter referred to as County and _____, hereinafter referred to as Contractor, to provide _____ Services.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 101025 of the California Health and Safety Code, County's Board of Supervisors have the authority to preserve and protect the public's health; and

WHEREAS, this Master Agreement is therefore authorized under California Codes, Government Code Section 31000 which authorizes the Board of Supervisors to contract for special services; and

WHEREAS, this Master Agreement is therefore authorized under California Codes, Government Code Section 26227 which authorizes the Board of Supervisors to contract with private businesses when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor possesses the competence, expertise, facilities, and personnel to provide Media Services for compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has authorized the Director of the Department of Public Health or designee to execute and administer this Master Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, and J are attached to and form a part of this Master Agreement. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Master Agreement and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the Master Agreement and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority:

Standard Exhibits:

- 1.1 EXHIBIT A - County's Administration
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- 1.9 EXHIBIT I - Subsequent Executed Work Orders
- 1.10 EXHIBIT J - Charitable Contributions Certification

This Master Agreement and the Exhibits hereto constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties, and supersedes all previous Master Agreements, written and oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Master Agreement. No change to this Master Agreement shall be valid unless prepared pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.1 - Amendments and signed by both parties.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

- 2.1 **Active Contractor:** Identifies a Qualified Contractor who is in compliance with the terms and conditions and whose evidence of insurance requirements have all been received by the Department and are valid and in effect at the time of a given Work Order award. As used herein, the terms Active Contractor and Contractor may be used interchangeably throughout this document.
- 2.2 **Contractor Project Manager:** The individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Master Agreement operations after the Master Agreement award.
- 2.3 **County Master Agreement Program Director (MAPD):** Person designated by Director with authority to negotiate and recommend all changes on behalf of County.
- 2.4 **County Project Director:** Person designated by Director with authority to approve all Work Order solicitations and executions.
- 2.5 **County Project Manager:** Person designated as chief contact person with respect to the day-to-day administration of the Master Agreement.
- 2.6 **County's Work Order Directors:** Responsible for coordinating and monitoring the Work Order.
- 2.7 **Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.8 **Director:** Director of Department of Public Health.
- 2.9 **Fiscal Year:** The twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.
- 2.10 **Master Agreement:** County's standard agreement executed between County and individual Contractors. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of, and otherwise governs, subsequent Work Orders.
- 2.11 **Qualified Contractor:** A Contractor who has submitted a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to County's Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ); has met the minimum

qualifications listed in the RFSQ, and has an executed Master Agreement with the Department of Public Health.

- 2.12 Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ):** A solicitation based on establishing a pool of Qualified Vendors to provide services through Master Agreements.
- 2.13 Statement of Qualifications (SOQ):** A Contractor's response to an RFSQ.
- 2.14 Statement of Work:** A written description of tasks and/or deliverables desired by County for a specific Work Order Solicitation.
- 2.15 Master Agreement Work Order (MAWO)/Work Orders:** A subordinate agreement executed wholly within and subject to the provisions of this Master Agreement, for the performance of tasks and/or provision of deliverables as described in a specification or a Statement of Work. Each MAWO shall result from work order bids, solicited by and tendered to County, by Qualified Contractors. Unless otherwise specified in the Work Order Solicitation, County shall select the lowest cost, qualified bid responding to the requirements of the proposed Work Order Solicitation. No work shall be performed by Contractors except in accordance with validly bid and executed MAWO.
- 2.16 Work Order Solicitation (WOS):** A solicitation for bids submitted to Qualified Contractors.

3.0 WORK

- 3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth herein.
- 3.2 Each MAWO shall be similar to Exhibit F as determined by County. Each MAWO shall include an attached Statement of Work, which shall describe in detail the particular project and the work required for the performance thereof. The payment methodology will vary according to the services to be performed, to the Total Maximum Amount specified on each individual Work Order.
- 3.3 If Contractor provides any task, deliverable, service, or other work to County that utilizes other than approved Contractor Personnel, and/or that goes beyond the Work Order expiration date, and/or that exceeds the Total Maximum Amount as specified in the Work Order as originally written or modified in accordance with sub-paragraph 8.1, Amendments, these shall be gratuitous efforts on the part of Contractor for which Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against County.
- 3.4 County procedures for issuing and executing MAWOs are as set forth in this sub-paragraph 3.4. Upon determination by County to issue a Work Order Solicitation, County shall issue a Work Order

Solicitation containing a Statement of Work to all Master Agreement Qualified Contractors. Each interested Qualified Contractor so contacted shall submit a bid to the County address and within the timeframe specified in the solicitation. Failure of Contractor to provide a bid within the specified timeframe may disqualify Contractor for that particular Work Order.

- 3.5 Upon completion of evaluations, County shall execute the MAWO by and through the Department of Public Health staff identified in this Master Agreement with the lowest cost Qualified Contractor unless the Work Order Solicitation specifies bid evaluation criteria other than lowest cost. It is understood by Contractor that County's competitive bidding procedure may have the effect that no MAWOs are awarded to some Master Agreement Qualified Contractors.
- 3.6 County estimates that selection of any Contractor shall occur within ten (10) business days of completion of the evaluations of the particular Work Order Bids. Following selection, all Contractors selected must be available to meet with County on the starting date specified in the MAWO. Inability of Contractor to comply with such commencement date may be cause for disqualification of Contractor from the particular work order as determined in the sole discretion of County's Project Director.
- 3.7 In the event Contractor defaults three times under sub-paragraph 3.6 within a given County fiscal year, then County may terminate this Master Agreement pursuant to Sub-paragraph 8.42, Termination For Default.
- 3.9 Contractor shall be responsible for monitoring and controlling the number of hours worked, and more particularly the resulting dollar value of chargeable services performed by Contractor personnel assigned to individual time and material Work Orders. Contractor shall be solely responsible for payments to Contractor personnel for excess hours worked resulting in charges exceeding any total maximum amounts stated on the MAWO.

3.10 Budget Reductions

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 Agreement correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Agreement (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Agreement shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in

the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Agreement.

4.0 TERM OF MASTER AGREEMENT

- 4.1 The Master Agreement term shall be for a period of six (6) years. At the conclusion of the six year, period, the County shall have the option to extend the term on a six (6) month-to-month basis not to exceed, in aggregate, a maximum total master agreement term of six years, 6 months. The six (6) month-to-month extensions shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the Department.
- 4.2 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 4.0, any Master Agreement Work Order (MAWO) issued hereunder prior to the expiration date of the Master Agreement which has a MAWO expiration date later than the Master Agreement expiration date shall automatically extend such Master Agreement expiration date up to one hundred eighty (180) days or to the MAWO expiration date, whichever occurs first. Such extended Master Agreement expiration date shall apply only to such MAWO and shall not extend such date for any other purpose whatsoever, including issuing new Work Order Solicitations, MAWOs, and/or extending any MAWOs.
- 4.3 Contractor shall notify the Department when this Master Agreement is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, Contractor shall send written notification to the Department of Public Health at the address herein provided in Exhibit A.
- 4.4 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.

5.0 CONTRACT SUM

- 5.1 Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment by County under this Master Agreement except pursuant to validly executed and satisfactorily performed Work Orders. In each year of this Master Agreement, the total of all amounts actually expended by County hereunder (“maximum annual expenditures”) may not exceed amounts allocated to the Department of Public Health by the County Board of Supervisors in their approved budgets. The County has sole discretion to expend some, all, or none of such budgeted amounts. The sum of such annual expenditures for the duration of the Master Agreement is the Contract Sum.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor’s duties, responsibilities, or

obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the County's express prior written approval.

5.3 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Master Agreement

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

5.4 Invoices and Payments

5.4.1 Contractor shall invoice the County in arrears only for providing the tasks, deliverables, services, and other work specified in Master Agreement Work Order (MAWO). Contractor shall separately invoice County for each MAWO either: (1) monthly, if performed on a Cost Reimbursement, or Time and Materials basis, or (2) by deliverable, if performed on a fixed price per deliverable basis.

5.4.2 Payment for all work shall be either on a Cost Reimbursement, Time and Materials, or fixed price per deliverable basis subject to the Total Maximum Amount specified in each MAWO less any amounts assessed in accordance with sub-paragraph 8.25, Liquidated Damages.

5.5.3 All work performed by, and all invoices submitted by, Contractor pursuant to MAWOs issued hereunder must receive the written approval of County's Work Order Director, who shall be responsible for a detailed evaluation of Contractor's performance before approval of work and/or payment of invoices is permitted.

5.5.4 Invoices under this Master Agreement shall be submitted to the address(es) set forth in the applicable MAWO.

5.5.5 Invoice Content

The period of performance specified in Contractor's invoice(s) must coincide with the period of performance specified in the applicable MAWO. For example:

Time and Materials Work Orders:

Each invoice submitted by Contractor shall specify:

- County numbers of the MAWO and Contractor's Master Agreement;
- Period of performance of work being invoiced;
- Name(s) of persons who performed the work;
- Number of hours being billed for the individual(s) and the labor rate(s) as specified in the Work Order; and
- Total amount of the invoice.

Fixed Price Per Deliverables:

Each invoice submitted by Contractor shall specify:

- County numbers of the MAWO and Contractor's Master Agreement;
- Period of performance of work being invoiced;
- Name(s) of persons who performed the work;
- A brief description of the deliverable(s) for which payment is claimed, the respective number(s) assigned to the deliverable(s), and the individual amount being billed for each deliverable;
- The budget, amounts claimed this period, amounts claimed year to date, and remaining balance, and
- The total amount of the invoice.

Cost Reimbursement:

Each invoice submitted by Contractor shall specify:

- County numbers of the MAWO and Contractor's Master Agreement;
- Period of performance of work being invoiced;
- Name(s) of persons who performed the work;
- A brief description of the deliverable(s) for which payment is claimed, the respective number(s) assigned to the deliverable(s), and the individual amount being billed for each deliverable;
- The budget, amounts claimed this period, amounts claimed year to date, and remaining balance, and
- The total amount of the invoice.

5.5.6 Local Small Business Enterprises – Prompt Payment Program

Certified Local SBEs will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - COUNTY

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs are designated in Exhibit A. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

6.1 County's Master Agreement Program Director (MAPD)

The MAPD has the authority to negotiate, recommend all changes to this Master Agreement, and resolve disputes between the Department of Public Health and Contractor.

6.2 County's Project Director

The County's Project Director, or designee, is the approving authority for individual Work Order solicitations and executions.

6.3 County's Work Order Director

A Work Order Director will be assigned for each MAWO by County's Project Director.

6.3.1 The responsibilities of the Work Order Director include:

- ensuring that the technical standards and task requirements articulated in the individual MAWOs are satisfactorily complied with, and shall provide, on request, such information, coordination, documentation, and materials as may be reasonably required by Contractor to perform work orders;
- coordinating and monitoring the work of Contractor personnel assigned to the Work Order Director's specific projects, and for ensuring that this Master Agreement's objectives are met;
- monitoring, evaluating and reporting Contractor performance and progress on the Work Order;
- coordinating with Contractor's Project Manager, on a regular basis, regarding the performance of Contractor's personnel on each particular project;
- providing direction to Contractor in the areas relating to County policy, information requirements, and procedural requirements.

6.3.2 County's Work Order Directors are not authorized to make any changes in Work Order labor rates, dollar totals or periods of performance, or in the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement, except through formally prepared Amendments, sub-paragraph 8.1.

6.4 County's Project Manager

The County's Project Manager is County's chief contact person with respect to the day-to-day administration of this Master Agreement. The Project Manager shall prepare and issue Work Orders and any Amendments thereto, and generally be the first person for Contractor to contact with any questions.

7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - CONTRACTOR

7.1 Contractor's Project Manager

7.1.1 Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit B. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Project Manager.

7.1.2 Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Master Agreement and shall coordinate with County's Work Order Directors on a regular basis with respect to all active Work Orders.

7.2 Contractor's Authorized Official(s)

7.2.1 Contractor's Authorized Official(s) are designated in Exhibit B. Contractor shall promptly notify County in writing of any change in the name(s) or address(es) of Contractor's Authorized Official(s).

7.2.2 Contractor represents and warrants that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide actual authority to such officials to execute documents under this Master Agreement on behalf of Contractor.

7.3 Approval of Contractor's Staff

County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, Contractor's Project Manager. Contractor shall provide County with a resume of each proposed substitute and an opportunity to interview such person prior to any staff substitution.

7.4 Contractor's Staff Identification

- 7.4.1 All of Contractor's employees assigned to County facilities are required to have a County Identification (ID) badge on their person and visible at all times. Contractor bears all expense of the badging.
- 7.4.2 Contractor is responsible to ensure that employees have obtained a County ID badge before they are assigned to work in a County facility. Contractor personnel may be asked to leave a County facility by a County representative if they do not have the proper County ID badge on their person.
- 7.4.3 Contractor shall notify the County within one business day when staff is terminated from working under this Master Agreement. Contractor shall retrieve and return an employee's ID badge to the County on the next business day after the employee has terminated employment with the Contractor.
- 7.4.4 If County requests the removal of Contractor's staff, Contractor shall retrieve and return an employee's ID badge to the County on the next business day after the employee has been removed from working on the County's Master Agreement.

7.5 Background and Security Investigations

- 7.5.1 Each of Contractor's staff performing services under this Master Agreement, who is in a designated sensitive position, as determined by County in County's sole discretion, shall undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Master Agreement. Such background investigation may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless if the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation. County shall perform the background check and bill Contractor for the cost.
- 7.5.2 If a member of Contractor's staff does not obtain work clearance through the criminal history background review, they may not be placed and/or assigned within the Department of Public Health. During the term of the contract, the Department may receive subsequent criminal information. If this subsequent information constitutes a job nexus, the Contractor shall immediately remove staff from

performing services under the Master Agreement Work Order and replace such staff within fifteen (15) days of removal or within an agreed upon time with the County's Project Manager. Pursuant to an agreement with the Federal Department of Justice, the County will not provide to Contractor nor to Contractor's staff any information obtained through the County's criminal history review.

- 7.5.3 County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of Contractor's staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with County facility access.
- 7.5.4 Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 7.5 shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

7.6 Confidentiality

- 7.6.1. Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information including, but not limited to, billings, County records and patient records, in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.
- 7.6.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, administrative penalties and fines assessed including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Paragraph 7.6, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 7.6 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own

counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

- 7.6.3 Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.
- 7.6.4 Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Acknowledgement, Confidentiality and Copyright Assignment Agreement", Exhibit G3-IT.
- 7.6.5 Contractor shall cause each non-employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit G4-IT.

7.7 Staff Performance under the Influence

Contractor shall not knowingly permit any employee to perform services under this Agreement while under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, medication, narcotic, or other substance which might impair their physical or mental performance.

8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

8.1 AMENDMENTS

- 8.1.1 The County's Board of Supervisors; Chief Executive Officer or designee; or applicable State and/or federal entities, laws, or regulations may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Master Agreement during the term of this Master Agreement to comply with changes in law or County policy. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors, Chief Executive Officer, State and/or federal entity. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared by Director and executed by the Contractor and Director, as authorized by the County's Board of Supervisors.
- 8.1.2 Notwithstanding Paragraph 8.1.1, the Director of the Department of Public Health, or his/her designee may, at his/her discretion, amend MAWO's to permit extensions or adjustments of the MAWO term; the rollover of unspent MAWO funds; and/or an internal reallocation of funds between budgets up to 10 percent of each term's annual base maximum obligation and/or an increase or decrease in

funding up to 10 percent above or below each term's annual base maximum obligation, effective upon amendment execution or at the beginning of the applicable MAWO term, and make corresponding service adjustments, as necessary, an Administrative Amendment shall be prepared by Director and executed by the Contractor and Director, as authorized by the County's Board of Supervisors, and shall be incorporated into and become part of the MAWO.

8.1.3 Notwithstanding Paragraph 8.1.1, the Director of the Department of Public Health, or his/her designee may, at his/her discretion, amend a MAWO to permit modifications to or within schedule budget categories, up to an adjustment between all budget categories equal to 10 percent of each term's annual base maximum obligation, and corresponding adjustment of the scope of work tasks and/or activities and/or allow for changes to hours of operation, changes to service locations, and/or correction of errors in the MAWO's terms and conditions, a written Change Notice shall be signed by the Director and Contractor, as authorized by the County's Board of Supervisors. The executed Change Notice shall be incorporated into and become part of the MAWO.

8.1.4 **Addition of Skilled Categories/Technical Specializations**

An Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Director or his/her designee to add or delete Skilled Categories or Technical Specializations.

8.2 ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION

8.2.1 The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Master Agreement, 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 sub-paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to the Master Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Master Agreement shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.

8.2.2 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 the Master Agreement, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Master Agreement.

- 8.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the 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 the Master Agreement which may result in the termination of this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

8.3 AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY

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

8.4 COMPLAINTS

The Contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

- 8.4.1 Within ten (10) business days after the Master Agreement effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.
- 8.4.2 The County will review the Contractor's policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
- 8.4.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within five (5) business days for County approval.
- 8.4.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.
- 8.4.5 The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Project Manager of the status of the

investigation within five (5) business days of receiving the complaint.

8.4.6 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.

8.4.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County's Project Manager within three (3) business days of mailing to the complainant.

8.5 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW

8.5.1 In the performance of this Contract, Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, including, but not limited to standards of the Joint Commission, its National Patient Safety Goals, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 5 regulations and all other applicable industry best practices standards. All provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

8.5.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, administrative penalties and fines assessed costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 8.5 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

8.6 COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS

- 8.6.1 The 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), the Fair Employment & Housing Act, Government Code Section 12920-12922; and Affirmative Action in County Agreements, Chapter 4.32 of the Los Angeles County Code, to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, 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 Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall comply with Exhibit C - Contractor's EEO Certification.
- 8.6.2 The 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, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.
- 8.8.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- 8.8.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation.
- 8.8.5 The 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, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Agreement.

8.8.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.8 when so requested by the County.

8.8.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.8 have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Agreement. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement.

8.8.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Agreement.

8.7 COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

8.7.1 Jury Service Program: This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the 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, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit D and incorporated by reference into and made part of this Master Agreement.

8.7.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy

1. Unless Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Contractor shall 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.
2. For purposes of this sub-paragraph, "Contractor" means 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. "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 the 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 the County under the Master Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this sub-paragraph. The provisions of this sub-paragraph 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 the Master Agreement 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. The County may also require, at any time during the Master Agreement and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to the 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 Program.

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

8.8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 8.8.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Master Agreement or any competing Master Agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Master Agreement. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.
- 8.8.2 The 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 Master Agreement. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the 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 the 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 sub-paragraph 8.8 shall be a material breach of this Master Agreement.

8.9 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF/OR RE-EMPLOYMENT LIST

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement to perform the services set forth herein, the 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 re-employment list during the life of this Master Agreement.

8.10 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING GAIN/GROW PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

8.10.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor.

8.10.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

8.11 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

8.11.1 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 Master Agreement. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

8.11.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in this Master Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or 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 terminate any or all existing Contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

8.11.3 Non-responsible Contractor

The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor 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 Contractor'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 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.

8.11.4 Contractor Hearing Board

1. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.
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 the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) 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 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 the County.
5. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) 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 procedures as for a debarment hearing.
6. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall 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 of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

8.11.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of County Contractors.

8.12 CONTRACTOR’S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY’S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

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

8.13 CONTRACTOR’S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY’S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

8.13.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through Purchase Order or Master Agreement are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

8.13.2 As required by the County’s Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor’s duty under this Master Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Master Agreement maintain in compliance with 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).

8.14 COUNTY’S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

8.14.1 The County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor’s performance under this Master Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing the Contractor’s compliance with all Master Agreement terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County

determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Master Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors.

- 8.14.2 The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Master Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Master Agreement.

8.15 DAMAGE TO COUNTY FACILITIES, BUILDINGS OR GROUNDS

- 8.15.1 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. Such repairs shall be made immediately after Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.
- 8.15.2 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.
- 8.15.3 County reserves the unilateral right to make any repairs which Director determines, in his/her sole discretion, to be a public safety issue requiring immediate repair. County will bill Contractor for the cost of said repair or deduct said cost from any outstanding amounts owed by County to Contractor.

8.16 EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

- 8.16.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Master Agreement meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work 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. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

8.16.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Master Agreement.

8.17 FACSIMILE REPRESENTATIONS

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.1, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Master Agreement, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

8.18 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees 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 the Contractor's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

8.19 FORCE MAJEURE

8.19.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Master Agreement, 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").

8.19.2 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.

- 8.19.3 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.

8.20 GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

This Master Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Master Agreement and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

8.21 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- 8.21.1 This Master Agreement is by and between the County and the 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 the County and the 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.
- 8.21.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement all compensation and benefits. The 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 the Contractor.
- 8.21.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The 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 the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement.

8.21.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in subparagraph 7.6 – Confidentiality.

8.22 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents (“County Indemnitees”) from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with the Contractor’s acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Master Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

8.23 GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL INSURANCE COVERAGE

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 Sections 8.24 and 8.25 of this Contract. 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.

8.23.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) 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.
- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than 10 days prior to Contractor’s policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Sub-Contractor insurance policies at any time.
- 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.

- 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.

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

County of Los Angeles
Contract Monitoring Division
5555 Ferguson Drive, Suite 210
Commerce, CA 90022
Director, Contract Monitoring Division

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 Sub-Contractors which arises from or relates to this Contract, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

8.23.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) 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. County and its Agents 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 and its Agents 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.

8.23.3 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 (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (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 Master Agreement, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Master Agreement.

8.23.4 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. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

8.23.5 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.

8.23.6 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.

8.23.7 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.

8.23.8 Sub-Contractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

Contractor shall include all Sub-Contractors as insureds under Contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each Sub-Contractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each Sub-Contractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each Sub-Contractor name the County and Contractor as additional insureds on the Sub-Contractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any Sub-Contractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

8.23.9 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.

8.23.10 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 (3) years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

8.23.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as the

underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

8.23.12 **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.

8.23.13 **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 and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

8.23.14 **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.

8.24 **INSURANCE COVERAGE**

8.24.1 **Commercial General Liability** insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate:	\$2 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$2 million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 million

8.24.2 **Automobile Liability** insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Contract, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

8.24.3 **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 will provide leased employees, or, is an employee

leasing or 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 thirty (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.

8.24.4 PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

Insurance covering Contractor's liability arising from or related to this Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.

8.25 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

8.25.1 If, in the judgment of the Director, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Director, or his/her designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the Director, or his/her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.

8.25.2 If the Director determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Master Agreement that the Director or his/her designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Director or his/her designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Director may:

(a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or

(b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time

frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is One Hundred Dollars (\$100) per day per infraction, or as may be specified in any Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) Charts in future Work Orders, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the Contractor; and/or

(c) Upon giving five (5) days notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.

8.25.3 The action noted in sub-paragraph 8.25.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Master Agreement.

8.25.4 This sub-paragraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Master Agreement provided by law or as specified in the PRS or sub-paragraph 8.25.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Master Agreement as agreed to herein.

8.26 MOST FAVORED PUBLIC ENTITY

If the Contractor's prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Master Agreement 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 Master Agreement, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

8.27 NONDISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

8.27.1 The 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 anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

8.27.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit C - Contractor's EEO Certification.

- 8.27.3 The 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 anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- 8.27.4 The 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.
- 8.27.5 The 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 Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement.
- 8.27.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.27 when so requested by the County.
- 8.27.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.27 have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement.

8.27.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Master Agreement.

8.28 NON EXCLUSIVITY

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

8.29 NOTICE OF DELAYS

Except as otherwise provided under this Master Agreement, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Master Agreement, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

8.30 NOTICE OF DISPUTES

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the County Project Manager and/or County Project Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Master Agreement. If the County Project Manager or County Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director of Department of Public Health, or designee shall resolve it.

8.31 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT

The 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 No. 1015.

8.32 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The 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 Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit E of this Master Agreement and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

8.33 NOTICES

- 8.33.1 All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Master Agreement shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits A, County's Administration and B, Contractor's Administration. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Director of Department of Public Health or his/her designee shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Master Agreement.
- 8.33.2 **Electronic Notice:** In addition, and in lieu of written notification, the Director, or his/her designee, shall have the authority to issue any notice to Contractor electronically via e-mail at the designated email address as identified in Exhibit F – Contractor's Administration. This includes all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Agreement.

8.34 PROHIBITION AGAINST INDUCEMENT OR PERSUASION

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

8.35 PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

- 8.35.1 Any documents submitted by Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.37 - Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement of this Master Agreement; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) used in the solicitation process for this Master Agreement, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the

disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

- 8.35.2 In the event the 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 an SOQ marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary", the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

8.36 PUBLICITY

- 8.36.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Master Agreement to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Master Agreement within the following conditions:

- The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
- During the term of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County's Project Director. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

- 8.36.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this subparagraph 8.36 shall apply.

8.37 RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION/AUDIT SETTLEMENT

The Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Master Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Master Agreement. The Contractor agrees that the 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 Master Agreement. 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 the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

- 8.37.1 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Master Agreement by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Master Agreement. The County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).
- 8.37.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.
- 8.37.3 If, at any time during the term of this Master Agreement or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, representatives of the County may conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Master Agreement, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Master Agreement or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this

Master Agreement exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Master Agreement.

8.38 RECYCLED BOND PAPER

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

8.39 SUBCONTRACTING

8.39.1 The requirements of this Master Agreement may not be subcontracted by the Contractor **without the advance approval of the County**. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Master Agreement.

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

- A description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor;
- A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
- Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.

8.39.3 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the 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.

8.39.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Master Agreement, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.

8.39.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Master Agreement. The Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.

8.39.6 The County's MAPD is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.

8.39.7 The 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 the County's consent to subcontract.

- 8.39.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to:

County of Los Angeles
Contract Monitoring Division
5555 Ferguson Drive, Suite 210
Commerce, CA 90022
Director, Contract Monitoring Division

before any subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.

8.40 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in sub-paragraph 8.13 - Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program, shall constitute a default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Master Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Master Agreement pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.42 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

8.41 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

8.41.1 County may terminate this Master Agreement, and any Work Order issued hereunder, in whole or in part, from time to time or permanently, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.

8.41.2 After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall immediately:

- Stop work under the Work Order or under this Master Agreement, as identified in such notice;

- Transfer title and deliver to County all completed work and work in process; and
 - Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- 8.41.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Master Agreement or Work Order shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with sub-paragraph 8.37, Record Retention AND Inspection/Audit Settlement.

8.42 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

- 8.42.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Master Agreement, if, in the judgment of County's Project Director:
- Contractor has materially breached this Master Agreement;
 - Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Master Agreement or any Work Order issued hereunder; or
 - Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements of any Work Order issued under this Master Agreement, or of any obligations of this Master Agreement and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.
- 8.42.2 In the event that the County terminates this Master Agreement in whole or in part as provided in sub-paragraph 8.42.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Master Agreement to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this sub-paragraph.
- 8.42.3 Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in sub-paragraph 8.42.2 if its failure to perform this Master Agreement, including any Work Order issued hereunder, arises out of causes beyond the control

and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, 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 the 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 the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the 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 the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph 8.42.3, the terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) at any tier.

- 8.42.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.42, it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.42, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of sub-paragraph 8.42.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.41 - Termination for Convenience.
- 8.42.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this sub-paragraph 8.42 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.43 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

- 8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Master Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Master Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Master Agreement or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to

pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

8.43.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee 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.

8.43.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

8.44 TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY

8.44.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

- Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (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 the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

8.44.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.44 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.45 TERMINATION FOR NON-ADHERENCE OF COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

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

8.46 TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Master Agreement during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Master Agreement in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Master Agreement, then this Master Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

8.47 VALIDITY

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

8.48 WAIVER

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Master Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Master Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this sub-paragraph 8.48 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.49 WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

8.49.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Master Agreement upon any 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 the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

8.49.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Master Agreement and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Master Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

8.50 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 County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon 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.

8.51 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.51 "Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" 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 10 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.

9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

9.1 HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996 (HIPAA) AND THE HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR ECONOMIC AND CLINICAL HEALTH ACT (HITECH)

9.1.1 Contractor expressly acknowledges and agrees that the provision of services under this Agreement does not require or permit access by Contractor or any of its officers, employees, or agents, to any patient medical records. Accordingly, Contractor shall instruct its officers, employees, and agents, that they are not to pursue, or gain access to, patient medical records for any reason whatsoever.

9.1.2 Notwithstanding the forgoing, the parties acknowledge that in the course of the provision of services hereunder, Contractor or its officers, employees, and agents, may have inadvertent access to patient medical records. Contractor understands and agrees that neither it nor its officers, employees, or agents, are to take advantage of such access for any purpose whatsoever.

9.1.3 Additionally, in the event of such inadvertent access, Contractor and its officers, employees, and agents, shall maintain the confidentiality of any information obtained and shall notify Director that such access has been gained immediately, or upon the first reasonable opportunity to do so. In the event of any access, whether inadvertent or intentional, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to, actions, claims, costs, demands, expenses, and fees (including attorney and expert witness fees) arising from or connected with Contractor's or its officers', employees', or agents', access to patient medical records. Contractor agrees to provide appropriate training to its employees regarding their obligations as described hereinabove.

9.2 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE PROGRAM

9.2.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.

9.2.2 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.

9.2.3 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.

9.2.4 If Contractor has obtained 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 Master Agreement/Work Order to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the work order amount and what the County's costs would have been if the work order 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 the work order; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any business 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 the state and OAAC of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

9.2.5 APPLYING THE LOCAL SBE PREFERENCE IN WORK ORDER BIDS

The following language will be used in **Work Order Bids** which **are not** subject to the federal restriction on geographical preferences:

In reviewing Work Order Bids, the County will give Local SBE preference 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 a period of at least one year. The business must be certified by the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance as meeting the requirements set forth in 1 and 2 above prior to requesting the Local SBE Preference in a solicitation.

To apply for certification as a Local SBE, companies may register at the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance's website at:

<http://oaac.co.la.ca.us/contract/sbemain.html>

To be eligible for the preference, certified Local SBEs must request the SBE Preference in each of their Work Order Bid responses, but may not request the preference unless the certification process has been completed and certification affirmed. 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.

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 Web site at

<http://www.pd.dgs.ca.gov/smbus/default>

- OR -

9.2.6 The following language will be used in **Work Order Bids** which **are** subject to the federal restriction on geographical preferences:

In reviewing Work Order Bids, the County will give Local SBE preference to businesses that meet the definition of a Local Small Business Enterprise (Local SBE), consistent with Chapter 2.204.030C.2 of the Los Angeles County Code.

A business which is certified as small by the Small Business Administration (SBA) or which is registered as small on the federal Central Contractor Registration data base may qualify to request the Local SBE Preference in a solicitation.

Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a business that knowingly, and with intent to defraud, seeks to obtain or maintain the Local SBE Preference.

9.3 OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS, SOFTWARE AND COPYRIGHT

9.3.1 County shall be the sole owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in and to all software, plans, diagrams, facilities, and tools (hereafter "materials") which are originated or created through Contractor's work pursuant to this Master Agreement. Contractor, for valuable consideration herein provided, shall execute all documents necessary to assign and transfer to, and vest in the County all Contractor's right, title and interest in and to such original materials, including any copyright, patent and trade secret rights which arise pursuant to Contractor's work under this Master Agreement.

9.3.2 During the term of this Master Agreement and for five (5) years thereafter, Contractor shall maintain and provide security for all Contractor's working papers prepared under this Master Agreement. County shall have the right to inspect, copy and use at any time during and subsequent to the term of this Master Agreement, any and all such working papers and all information contained therein.

- 9.3.3 Any and all materials, software and tools which are developed or were originally acquired by Contractor outside the scope of this Master Agreement, which Contractor desires to use hereunder, and which Contractor considers to be proprietary or confidential, must be specifically identified by Contractor to County's Project Manager as proprietary or confidential, and shall be plainly and prominently marked by Contractor as "Propriety" or "Confidential" on each appropriate page of any document containing such material.
- 9.3.4 County will use reasonable means to ensure that Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items are safeguarded and held in confidence. County agrees not to reproduce, distribute or disclose to non-County entities any such proprietary and/or confidential items without the prior written consent of Contractor.
- 9.3.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, County will not be obligated to Contractor in any way under sub-paragraph 9.3.4 for any of Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items which are not plainly and prominently marked with restrictive legends as required by sub-paragraph 9.3.3 or for any disclosure which County is required to make under any state or federal law or order of court.
- 9.3.6 All the rights and obligations of this sub-paragraph 9.3 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement.

9.4 PATENT, COPYRIGHT AND TRADE SECRET INDEMNIFICATION

- 9.4.1 Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees, for or by reason of any actual or alleged infringement of any third party's patent or copyright, or any actual or alleged unauthorized trade secret disclosure, arising from or related to the operation and utilization of Contractor's work under this Master Agreement. County shall inform Contractor as soon as practicable of any claim or action alleging such infringement or unauthorized disclosure, and shall support Contractor's defense and settlement thereof.
- 9.4.2 In the event any equipment, part thereof, or software product becomes the subject of any complaint, claim, or proceeding alleging infringement or unauthorized disclosure, such that County's continued use of such item is formally restrained,

enjoined, or subjected to a risk of damages, Contractor, at its sole expense, and providing that County's continued use of the system is not materially impeded, shall either:

- Procure for County all rights to continued use of the questioned equipment, part, or software product; or
- Replace the questioned equipment, part, or software product with a non-questioned item; or
- Modify the questioned equipment, part, or software so that it is free of claims.

9.4.3 Contractor shall have no liability if the alleged infringement or unauthorized disclosure is based upon a use of the questioned product, either alone or in combination with other items not supplied by Contractor, in a manner for which the questioned product was not designed nor intended.

9.5 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, Exhibit J, the County seeks to ensure that all County contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect the 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 or debarment proceedings or both (County Code Chapter 2.202).

9.6 TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE PROGRAM

9.6.1 This Master Agreement 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.

9.6.2 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.

9.6.3 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 Opportunity vendor.

9.6.4 If Contractor has obtained County certification as a Transitional Job Opportunity 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 work order to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the work order amount and what the County's costs would have been if the work order 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 (10%) of the amount of the work order; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility 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 the certifying department of this information prior to responding to a work order solicitation or accepting a master agreement work order award.

9.7 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS (45 C.F.R. PART 76)

Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, or directors or other principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owner, officer, partner, director, or other principal of any subcontractor is currently

suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Contractor shall immediately notify County in writing, during the term of this Agreement, should it or any of its subcontractors or any principals of either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

9.8 CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATING IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM

9.8.1 Contractor hereby warrants that neither it nor any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within ten (10) calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the Federal government against Contractor or one or more staff members barring it or the staff members from participating in a Federally funded health care program, whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

9.8.2 Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program.

9.8.1 Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this subparagraph shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

9.9 FEDERAL ACCESS TO RECORDS

If, and to the extent that, Section 1861(v)(1)(I) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 1395x(v)(1)(I)) is applicable, Contractor agrees that for a period of five (5) years following the furnishing of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available, upon written request, to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Controller General of the United States, or to any of their authorized representatives, the Agreements, books, documents and records of Contractor which are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the costs of services provided hereunder. Furthermore, if Contractor carries out any of the services provided hereunder through any subcontract with a

value or cost of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or more over a twelve (12) month period with a related organization (as that term is defined under Federal law), Contractor agrees that each such subcontract shall provide for such access to the subcontract, books, documents and records of the subcontractor.

9.10 LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, ACCREDITATIONS, AND CERTIFICATES

Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all valid licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates required by law which are applicable to its performance of this Agreement, and shall ensure that all of its officers, employees, and agents who perform services hereunder obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates required by law which are applicable to their performance of services hereunder. All such licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certifications relating to services hereunder shall be made available to County upon request.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Master Agreement to be executed by the Director, of the Department of Public Health or designee and approved by County Counsel, and Contractor has caused this Master Agreement to be executed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, this _____ day of _____, 200_.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
Director and Health Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
COUNSEL:

JOHN F. KRATTLI
County Counsel

By _____
Contractor

Signed: _____

Printed: _____

Title _____
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT
ADMINISTRATION:

Department of Public Health

By _____
Patricia Gibson, Chief
Contracts and Grants Division

**MASTER AGREEMENT FOR
MEDIA SERVICES**

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COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION

MASTER AGREEMENT NO. _____

WORK ORDER NO. _____

COUNTY MASTER AGREEMENT PROJECT DIRECTOR (MAPD):

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

COUNTY PROJECT DIRECTOR:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

COUNTY WORK ORDER DIRECTOR:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

COUNTY PROJECT MANAGER:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION

CONTRACTOR'S NAME

MASTER AGREEMENT NO. _____

WORK ORDER NO. _____

CONTRACTOR'S PROJECT DIRECTOR:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

CONTRACTOR'S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Notices to Contractor shall be sent to the following address:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

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2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means 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 such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
 - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
 - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
 - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
 - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
 - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
 - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or

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7. A non-agreement purchase with 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

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8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

D. "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 chief administrative officer, or
2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.

E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall 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 employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a 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:

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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. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

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2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

“Dominant in its field of operation” means having more than ten 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. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. 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. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

SAMPLE
MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER FORMAT

A STATEMENT OF WORK SHALL BE ATTACHED TO EACH INDIVIDUAL
MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER

Master Agreement Number: _____

Work Order Number: _____

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES / DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER
FOR
MEDIA SERVICES
CONTRACTOR

This Master Agreement Work Order and Attachments made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20__ by and between the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health, hereinafter referred to as County and CONTRACTOR, hereinafter referred to as Contractor. Contractor is located at ADDRESS.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on _____, 2012 the County of Los Angeles and CONTRACTOR NAME, entered into Master Agreement Number _____ to provide media services for the Department of Public Health; and

WHEREAS, Contractor submitted a response to Work Order Solicitation No. _____ released by the County for media personnel services; and

WHEREAS, on _____ the County and Contractor, entered into a Master Agreement Work Order Number _____ to provide media services for the _____, _____; and

WHEREAS, all terms of the Master Agreement _____ shall remain in full force and effect; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Attachments A, B, and C are attached to and form a part of this Master Agreement Work Order (MAWO). In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any work, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Contract and the Attachments, or between Attachments, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the Master Agreement, MAWO, and then to the Attachments according to the following priority.

Standard Attachments:

- 1.1 Attachment A - Statement of Work (to be attached in final MAWO)
- 1.2 Attachment B - Goals and Objectives (to be attached in final MAWO)
- 1.3 Attachment C - Fee Schedule (to be attached in final MAWO)

2.0 WORK

2.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this work order, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth in Attachment A, Statement of Work, and Attachment B, Goals and Objectives, and shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties, which supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this work order.

3.0 TERM OF MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER

The term of this MAWO shall commence on _____ and continue in full force and effect through _____, unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this MAWO.

4.0 CONTRACT RATES

Contractor shall provide media services at the specified rates in Attachment C Fee Schedule.

5.0 CONTRACTOR BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES REDUCTION FLEXIBILITY

In order for County to maintain flexibility with regards to budget and expenditure reductions, Contractor agrees that Director may cancel this MAWO, without cause, upon the giving of ten (10) calendar days written notice to Contractor. In the alternative to cancellation, Director may, consistent with federal, State, and/or

County budget reductions, renegotiate the scope/description of work, maximum obligation, and budget of this MAWO via written Amendment. To implement such, an Amendment to the MAWO shall be prepared by Director and executed by the Contractor and by the Director pursuant to Master Agreement, Paragraph 8.0, Standard Terms and Conditions, sub-paragraph 8.1.5.

6.0 FUNDING SOURCE

Provision of services under this MAWO for PROJECT TITLE are 100 percent offset by e.g. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Notice of Award Number XXXX-0.

7.0 MAXIMUM TOTAL COST AND PAYMENT

- 7.1 The Maximum Total Cost that County will pay Contractor for all Services to be provided under this MAWO for _____ shall not exceed the amount of-_____ Dollars (\$\$\$) for the period of performance commencing Date of Execution through _____ unless otherwise revised or amended under the terms of this MAWO.
- 7.2 County agrees to compensate Contractor in accordance with the payment structure set forth in Attachment C, Fee Schedule attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 7.3 Contractor shall satisfactorily perform and complete all required Services in accordance with Attachment A, Statement of Work, notwithstanding the fact that total payment from County shall not exceed the Total Maximum Amount. Performance of services as used in this Paragraph includes time spent performing any of the service activities designated in the Attachment(s) including, but not limited to, any time spent on the preparation for such activities.
- 7.4 All invoices submitted by Contractor for payment must be submitted for approval to the County Project Manager, or her designee; no later than thirty (30) calendar days after month end.
- 7.5 Upon expiration or prior termination of this MAWO, Contractor shall submit to County Project Manager, within thirty (30) calendar days, any outstanding and/or final invoice(s) for processing and payment. Contractor's failure to submit any outstanding and/or final invoices to the County Project Manager within the specified period described above shall constitute Contractor's waiver to receive payment for any outstanding and/or final invoices.
- 7.6 Contractor may request Director to modify the project budget. These requests will be reviewed and considered for approval if the Director determines that the requests are programmatically sound, fiscally appropriate, and in accordance to Master Agreement, Paragraph 8.1

Amendments. Additional budget modification instructions may be provided by County. The budget may only be modified after Contractor obtains the prior written approval of the Director. Retroactive budget modifications are not permitted. No modification shall increase the maximum total cost that County pays to Contractor as provided in Paragraph 7.1. Contractor may submit budget modification requests that seek to move funds within and between any budget categories. All budget modifications shall be incorporated into this MAWO by a written Change Notice executed by Contractor and the Director or designee.

8.0 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 8.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this MAWO or any competing Work Order, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Work Order. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work. Each of Contractor's Temporary Personnel staff assigned to this Work Order shall sign Attachment D, Certification of No Conflict of Interest form.
- 8.2 The 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 MAWO. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the 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 the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all personal implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Paragraph shall be a material breach of the Master Agreement.

9.0 MANDATORY COMPLETION DATE

Contractor shall provide all deliverables no later than the Completion Date identified in the Statement of Work-Goals and Objectives, Attachment B. The Contractor shall ensure all Services have been performed by such date.

10.0 SERVICES

In accordance with Master Agreement Subparagraph 3.3, Contractor may not be paid for any task, deliverable, service, or other work that is not specified in this MAWO, and/or that utilizes personnel not specified in this MAWO, and/or that

exceeds the Total Maximum Amount of this MAWO, and/or that goes beyond the expiration date of this MAWO.

ALL TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. THE TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL GOVERN AND TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY CONFLICTING TERMS AND/OR CONDITIONS IN THIS MAWO. NEITHER THE RATES NOR ANY OTHER SPECIFICATIONS IN THIS WORK ORDER ARE VALID OR BINDING IF THEY DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT. REGARDLESS OF ANY ORAL PROMISE MADE TO CONTRACTOR BY ANY COUNTY PERSONNEL WHATSOEVER.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
COUNSEL

By: _____
Jonathan E. Freedman
Chief Deputy Director

Date: _____

By: _____
CONTRACTOR

Signed: _____

Printed: _____

Title: _____

EXHIBIT G

FORMS REQUIRED FOR EACH WORK ORDER

BEFORE WORK BEGINS

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INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER
COVERED TRANSACTIONS (45 C.F.R. PART 76) (as applicable)

MEDIA SERVICES

MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER

CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE STATUS

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until County receives this executed document.)

CONTRACTOR NAME

Work Order No. _____ County Master Agreement No. _____

I CERTIFY THAT: (1) I am an Authorized Official of Contractor; (2) the individual(s) named below is(are) this organization's employee(s); (3) applicable state and federal income tax, FICA, unemployment insurance premiums, and workers' compensation insurance premiums, in the correct amounts required by state and federal law, will be withheld as appropriate, and paid by Contractor for the individual(s) named below for the entire time period covered by the attached Work Order.

EMPLOYEES

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Official

Printed Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

MEDIA SERVICES
MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER

CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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CONTRACTOR NAME

Work Order No. _____ County Master Agreement No. _____

Los Angeles County Code Section 2.180.010.A provides as follows:

“Certain 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 or 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.”

Contractor hereby declares and certifies that no Contractor Personnel, nor any other person acting on Contractor's behalf, who prepared and/or participated in the preparation of the bid or proposal submitted for the Work Order specified above, is within the purview of County Code Section 2.180.010.A, above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Official

Printed Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, CONFIDENTIALITY, AND COPYRIGHT ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

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(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until County receives this executed document.)

Contractor Name _____

Work Order No. _____

County Master Agreement No. _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement, Confidentiality, and Copyright Assignment Agreement.

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractors (Contractor's Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor's sole responsibility. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff must rely exclusively upon Contractor for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable by virtue of Contractor's Staff's performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

Contractor and Contractor's Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. Contractor and Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that Contractor and Contractor's Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreement as a condition of work to be provided by Contractor's Staff for the County.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to County's Project Manager.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to Contractor and Contractor's Staff under the above-referenced Master Agreement. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, Contractor and Contractor's Staff shall keep such information confidential.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by Contractor and Contractor's Staff and/or by any other person of whom Contractor and Contractor's Staff become aware.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject Contractor and Contractor's Staff to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, CONFIDENTIALITY, AND COPYRIGHT ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

COPYRIGHT ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that all materials, documents, software programs and documentation, written designs, plans, diagrams, reports, software development tools and aids, diagnostic aids, computer processable media, source codes, object codes, conversion aids, training documentation and aids, and other information and/or tools of all types, developed or acquired by Contractor and Contractor's Staff in whole or in part pursuant to the above referenced Master Agreement, and all works based thereon, incorporated therein, or derived therefrom shall be the sole property of the County. In this connection, Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby assign and transfer to the County in perpetuity for all purposes all their right, title, and interest in and to all such items, including, but not limited to, all unrestricted and exclusive copyrights, patent rights, trade secret rights, and all renewals and extensions thereof. Whenever requested by the County, Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to promptly execute and deliver to County all papers, instruments, and other documents requested by the County, and to promptly perform all other acts requested by the County to carry out the terms of this agreement, including, but not limited to, executing an assignment and transfer of copyright in a form substantially similar to Exhibit H2, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The County shall have the right to register all copyrights in the name of the County of Los Angeles and shall have the right to assign, license, or otherwise transfer any and all of the County's right, title, and interest, including, but not limited to, copyrights, in and to the items described above.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject them to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: ____/____/____

PRINTED NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

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(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until County receives this executed document.)

Contractor Name _____ Employee Name _____

Work Order No. _____ County Master Agreement No. _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Your employer referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Employee Acknowledgement, Confidentiality, and Copyright Assignment Agreement.

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above is my sole employer for purposes of the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon my employer for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.

I understand and agree that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future Master Agreement.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by my employer for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken due time to consider it prior to signing.

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between my employer and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to my immediate supervisor.

I agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to or by me under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than my employer or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to my immediate supervisor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to my immediate supervisor upon completion of this Master Agreement or termination of my employment with my employer, whichever occurs first.

COPYRIGHT ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

I agree that all materials, documents, software programs and documentation, written designs, plans, diagrams, reports, software development tools and aids, diagnostic aids, computer processable media, source codes, object codes, conversion aids, training documentation and aids, and other information and/or tools of all types, developed or acquired by me in whole or in part pursuant to the

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above referenced Master Agreement, and all works based thereon, incorporated therein, or derived therefrom shall be the sole property of the County. In this connection, I hereby assign and transfer to the County in perpetuity for all purposes all my right, title, and interest in and to all such items, including, but not limited to, all unrestricted and exclusive copyrights, patent rights, trade secret rights, and all renewals and extensions thereof. Whenever requested by the County, I agree to promptly execute and deliver to County all papers, instruments, and other documents requested by the County, and to promptly perform all other acts requested by the County to carry out the terms of this agreement, including, but not limited to, executing an assignment and transfer of copyright in a form substantially similar to Exhibit H1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The County shall have the right to register all copyrights in the name of the County of Los Angeles and shall have the right to assign, license, or otherwise transfer any and all of the County's right, title, and interest, including, but not limited to, copyrights, in and to the items described above.

I acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject me to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: ____/____/____

PRINTED NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

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Contractor Name _____ Non-Employee Name _____

Work Order No. _____ County Master Agreement No. _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgement, Confidentiality, and Copyright Assignment Agreement.

NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above has exclusive control for purposes of the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon the Contractor referenced above for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.

I understand and agree that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

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I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between the above-referenced Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the above-referenced Contractor.

I agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information, and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to or by me under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than the above-referenced Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me, I shall keep such information confidential.

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I agree to report to the above-referenced Contractor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the above-referenced Contractor upon completion of this Master Agreement or termination of my services hereunder, whichever occurs first.

COPYRIGHT ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

I agree that all materials, documents, software programs and documentation, written designs, plans, diagrams, reports, software development tools and aids, diagnostic aids, computer processable media, source codes, object codes, conversion aids, training documentation and aids, and other information and/or tools of all types, developed or acquired by me in whole or in part pursuant to the above referenced contract, and all works based thereon, incorporated therein, or derived therefrom shall be the sole property of the County. In this connection, I hereby assign and transfer to the County in perpetuity for all purposes all my right, title, and interest in and to all such items, including, but not limited to, all unrestricted and exclusive copyrights, patent rights, trade secret rights, and all renewals and extensions thereof. Whenever requested by the County, I agree to promptly execute and deliver to County all papers, instruments, and other documents requested by the County, and to promptly perform all other acts requested by the County to carry out the terms of this agreement, including, but not limited to, executing an assignment and transfer of copyright in a form substantially similar to Exhibit H1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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I acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject me to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: ____/____/____

PRINTED NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND
VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS
(45 C.F.R. PART 76)**

Instructions for Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (45 C.F.R. Part 76)

1. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that Vendor knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
 2. Vendor shall provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this SOQ is submitted if at any time Vendor learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
 3. The terms “covered transaction,” “debarred,” “suspended,” “ineligible,” “lower tier covered transaction,” “participant,” “person,” “primary covered transaction,” “principal,” “SOQ,” and “voluntarily excluded,” as used in this certification, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this SOQ is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
 4. Vendor agrees by submitting this SOQ that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 C.F.R. part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
1. Vendor further agrees by submitting this SOQ that it will include the provision entitled “Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (45 C.F.R. Part 76),” as set forth in the text of the Master Agreement attached to the Request for Statement of Qualifications, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
 2. Vendor acknowledges that a participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 C.F.R. part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. Vendor acknowledges that a participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Vendor acknowledges that each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.

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3. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the required certification. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
4. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 4 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 C.F.R. part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
5. Where Vendor and/or its subcontractor(s) is or are unable to certify to any of the statements in this Certification, Vendor shall attach a written explanation to its SOQ in lieu of submitting this Certification. Vendor's written explanation shall describe the specific circumstances concerning the inability to certify. It further shall identify any owner, officer, partner, director, or other principal of the Vendor and/or subcontractor who is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. The written explanation shall provide that person's or those persons' job description(s) and function(s) as they relate to the contract which is being solicited by this Request for Statement of Qualifications.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (45 C.F.R. Part 76)

Vendor hereby certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, other principals or subcontractors is currently debarred, suspended proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or excluded from securing federally funded contracts by any federal department or agency.

Authorized Representative:

Signature:	Date:
Print Name:	Title:

EXHIBIT H

THESE FORMS ARE REQUIRED AT THE COMPLETION OF EACH WORK ORDER WHEN THE WORK ORDER INVOLVED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEVELOPED/ DESIGNED BY CONTRACTOR. THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEVELOPED/ DESIGNED BECOMES PROPERTY OF THE COUNTY AFTER CREATION OR AT THE END OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT TERM.

- H1 INDIVIDUAL'S ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF COPYRIGHT
- H2 CONTRACTOR'S ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF COPYRIGHT
- H3 NOTARY STATEMENT FOR ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF COPYRIGHT
(REQUIRED ONLY IF COPYRIGHT IS TO BE REGISTERED WITH COPYRIGHT BUREAU)

INDIVIDUAL'S ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF COPYRIGHT

For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, _____, an individual ("Grantor"), does hereby assign, grant, convey and transfer to the County of Los Angeles, California ("Grantee") and its successors and assigns throughout the world in perpetuity, all of Grantor's right, title and interest of every kind and nature in and to all materials, documents, software programs and documentation, written designs, plans, diagrams, reports, software development tools and aids, diagnostic aids, computer processable media, source codes, object codes, conversion aids, training documentation and aids, and other information and/or tools of all types (including, without limitation, those items listed on Schedule A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference) developed or acquired, in whole or in part, under the Agreement described below, including, but not limited to, all right, title and interest in and to all copyrights and works protectable by copyright and all renewals and extensions thereof (collectively, the "Works"), and in and to all copyrights and right, title and interest of every kind or nature, without limitation, in and to all works based thereon, incorporated in, derived from, incorporating, or related to, the Works or from which the Works are derived.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the aforesaid conveyance and assignment shall include, but is not limited to, all prior choices-in-action, at law, in equity and otherwise, the right to recover all damages and other sums, and the right to other relief allowed or awarded at law, in equity, by statute or otherwise.

_____ and Grantee have entered into County of Los Angeles Agreement Number _____ for _____, dated _____, as amended by Amendment Number _____, dated _____,

{NOTE to Preparer: reference all existing Amendments} as the same hereafter may be amended or otherwise modified from time to time (the "Agreement").

Grantor's Signature _____
Date

Grantor's Printed Name: _____

Grantor's Printed Position: _____

CONTRACTOR'S ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF COPYRIGHT

For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, _____, a _____, ("Grantor") does hereby assign, grant, convey and transfer to the County of Los Angeles, California ("Grantee") and its successors and assigns throughout the world in perpetuity, all of Grantor's right, title and interest of every kind and nature in and to all materials, documents, software programs and documentation, written designs, plans, diagrams, reports, software development tools and aids, diagnostic aids, computer processable media, source codes, object codes, conversion aids, training aids, training documentation and aids, and other information and/or tools of all types (including, without limitation, those items listed on Schedule A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference) developed or acquired, in whole or in part, under the Agreement described below, including, but not limited to, all right, title and interest in and to all copyrights and works protectable by copyright and all renewals and extensions thereof (collectively, the "Works"), and in and to all copyrights and right, title and interest of every kind or nature, without limitation, in and to all works based thereon, incorporated in, derived from, incorporating or relating to, the Works or from which the Works are derived.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the aforesaid conveyance and assignment shall include, but is not limited to, all prior choices-in-action, at law, in equity and otherwise, the right to recover all damages and other sums, and the right to other relief allowed or awarded at law, in equity, by statute or otherwise.

Grantor and Grantee have entered into County of Los Angeles Agreement Number _____ for _____, dated _____, as amended by Amendment Number _____, dated _____,

{NOTE to Preparer: reference all existing Amendments} as the same hereafter may be amended or otherwise modified from time to time (the "Agreement").

Grantor's Signature

Date

Grantor's Printed Name: _____

Grantor's Printed Position: _____

(To Be Completed By County and attached to H1 and/or H2)

**REQUIRED ONLY IF COPYRIGHT IS TO BE
REGISTERED WITH COPYRIGHT BUREAU**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

) ss.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

On _____, 200____, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of California, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the _____ of _____, the corporation that executed the within Assignment and Transfer of Copyright, and further acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the within Assignment and Transfer of Copyright pursuant to its bylaws or a resolution of its Board of Directors.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Subsequent Work Orders

(Intentionally Omitted)

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

 Company Name

 Address

 Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

 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.

Check the Certification below that is applicable to your company.

- 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.

 Signature

 Date

Name and Title of Signer (please print)

BACKGROUND AND RESOURCES: CALIFORNIA CHARITIES REGULATION

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There is a keen public interest in preventing misuse of charitable contributions. California's "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" regulates those raising and receiving charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) tightened Charitable Purposes Act requirements for charitable organization administration and fundraising.

The Charitable Purposes Act rules cover California public benefit corporations, unincorporated associations, and trustee entities. They may include similar foreign corporations doing business or holding property in California. Generally, an organization is subject to the registration and reporting requirements of the Charitable Purposes Act if it is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation or is tax exempt under Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3), and not exempt from reporting under Government Code § 12583. Most educational institutions, hospitals, cemeteries, and religious organizations are exempt from Supervision of Trustees Act requirements.

Key new Charitable Purposes Act requirements affect executive compensation, fund-raising practices and documentation. Charities with over \$2 million of revenues (excluding grants and service-contract funds a governmental entity requires to be accounted for) have new audit requirements. Charities required to have audits must also establish an audit committee whose members have no material financial interest in any entity doing business with the charity.

Organizations or persons that receive or raise charitable contributions are likely to be subject to the Charitable Purposes Act. A Proposer on Los Angeles County contracts must determine if it is subject to the Charitable Purposes Act and certify either that:

- It is not presently subject to the Act, but will comply if later activities make it subject, or,
- If subject, it is currently in compliance.

RESOURCES

The following references to resources are offered to assist Proposers who engage in charitable contributions activities. Each Proposer, however, is ultimately responsible to research and determine its own legal obligations and properly complete its compliance certification (Exhibit 20).

In California, supervision of charities is the responsibility of the Attorney General, whose website, <http://ag.ca.gov/> contains much information helpful to regulated charitable organizations.

1. LAWS AFFECTING NONPROFITS

The "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" is found at California Government Code §§ 12580 through 12599.7. Implementing regulations are found at Title 11, California Code of Regulations, §§ 300 through 312. In California, charitable solicitations ("advertising") are governed by Business & Professions Code §§ 17510 through 17510.95. Regulation of nonprofit corporations is found at Title 11, California Code of Regulations, §§ 999.1 through 999.5. (Amended regulations are pending.) Links to all of these rules are at: <http://ag.ca.gov/charities/statutes.php>

2. SUPPORT FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Several organizations offer both complimentary and fee-based assistance to nonprofits, including in Los Angeles, the Center for Nonprofit Management, 606 S. Olive St #2450, Los Angeles, CA 90014 (213) 623-7080 <http://www.cnmsocal.org/>, and statewide, the California Association of Nonprofits, <http://www.canonprofits.org/>. Both organizations' websites offer information about how to establish and manage a charitable organization.

The above information, including the organizations listed, provided under this sub-section of this Appendix I is for informational purposes only. Nothing contained in this sub-section shall be construed as an endorsement by the County of Los Angeles of such organizations.

Title 2 ADMINISTRATION
Chapter 2.206
DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

- 2.206.010 Findings and declarations.
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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.

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Chapter 2.206
DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

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 10 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 inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles Purchasing Policy and Procedures

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DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

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 non-agreement 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.)