

# **Gaston County**

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# DHHS - Social Services Division Board Action

File #: 23-335

Commissioner Brown - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Authorize Bid Award to Allies4Outcomes for Training Services to be Provided for the Child Welfare Program to Include Evaluation, Technical Assistance and Consultation (\$97,300)

#### **STAFF CONTACT**

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#### **BUDGET IMPACT**

Funds are budgeted in the current FY23-24 budget for debt payments.

#### **BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT**

N/A

#### **BACKGROUND**

This sealed bid procedure was conducted for Training Services for Evaluation, Technical Assistance & Consultation for Child Welfare - Bid #2023-003.

- a. Purchase and Service Contracts containing federal funds of any source, type, or amount, must follow Uniform Guidance as codified in 2 C.F.R. Part 200. Per 2 C.F.R. § 200.320(b), Section 1: Sealed bids. A procurement method in which bids are publicly solicited and a firm-fixed price contract (lump sum or unit price) is awarded to the responsible bidder who bid, conforming with all the material terms and conditions of the invitation for bids, is the lowest in price.
- b. Bid was publicized on the County's website, and on the NC DOA Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB) site to meet the UG affirmative steps to solicit from M/WBE. This Training Services for Evaluation, Technical Assistance & Consultation for Child Welfare bid was also advertised in the Gaston Gazette and Greater Diversity News (a minority-based newspaper). All were advertised as a "Public Bid Opening" that referenced the date, time, and location of bid opening.

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c. Two responses were received before the deadline of Wednesday, June 21st, 2023 @ 3:00 PM. Allies4Outcomes was the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder for this solicitation and is recommended for contract award approval. Award is recommended for approval to Allies4Outcomes for Training Services for Evaluation, Technical Assistance & Consultation for Child Welfare in the amount of \$97,300. Pricing of both bidders are below:

Description:	Allies4Outcomes	Pathways Group Homes
Field Training/Observation (Social Workers)	\$75-100/per hour	\$200/per hour
Field Training/Observation (Social Worker Management - includes Supervisors, Coordinators, Administrators)	\$75-100/per hour	\$250/per hour
On-The-Job Coaching/Training/Implementation of NC Child Welfare Policies (Social Workers)	\$75-100/per hour	\$200/per hour
On-The-Job Coaching/Training/Implementation of NC Child Welfare Policies (Social Worker Management - includes Supervisors, Coordinators, Administrators)	\$75-100/per hour	\$250/per hour
Ongoing Improvement Training Sessions	\$150/per hour	\$150/per hour
Mileage/travel fees	\$6,952.50 total	\$0.25/per mile
Administrative fees	20% of total costs	N/A

## **POLICY IMPACT**

N/A

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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