

Business Operations
Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND A GIFT FOR THE SOUL, INC.; BERTHA ABESS CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC.; STEPHAN CHIARINI, LMFT & ASSOCIATES, INC.; MIAMI CONSULTANTS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; PSYCHAWARENESS, INC.; AND PSYCHSOLUTIONS, INC., PURSUANT TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 070-GG10 - COUNSELING SERVICES IN TWENTY (20) PROGRAMS WITH SELF-CONTAINED CLASSES FOR EMOTIONALLY HANDICAPPED AND SEVERELY, EMOTIONALLY-DISTURBED STUDENTS

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

**LINK TO DISTRICT
STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE AND EXPAND STUDENT SERVICES**

Request For Proposals No. 070-GG10 – COUNSELING SERVICES IN TWENTY (20) PROGRAMS WITH SELF-CONTAINED CLASSES FOR EMOTIONALLY HANDICAPPED AND SEVERELY, EMOTIONALLY-DISTURBED STUDENTS, which opened on May 3, 2007, is to provide weekly group and/or individual counseling to students assigned to self-contained classes for the emotionally handicapped, for the Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student/Career Services. This is a term proposal. Seven (7) vendors responded to this advertised solicitation.

A meeting of the Selection Committee to evaluate the proposals was held on May 10, 2007. Seven proposals were presented for consideration: A Gift For The Soul, Inc.; Bertha Abess Children's Center, Inc., Stephan Chiarini, LMFT & Associates, Inc.; Miami-Dade County Department of Human Services; Miami Consultants for Children and Families; PsychAwareness, Inc.; and PsychSolutions, Inc. After considerable discussion, the committee unanimously recommended that the following agencies be awarded: A Gift For The Soul, Inc.; Bertha Abess Children's Center, Inc., Stephan Chiarini, LMFT & Associates, Inc.; Miami Consultants for Children and Families; PsychAwareness, Inc.; and PsychSolutions, Inc.

Fund Source
0100 - General

M/WBE Eligibility
Female

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent of Schools, to negotiate and enter into contractual services agreements between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and A Gift For The Soul, Inc.; Bertha Abess Children's Center, Inc.; Stephen Chiarini, LMFT & Associates, Inc.; Miami Consultants For Children & Families; PsychAwareness, Inc.; and PsychSolutions, Inc., pursuant to Request For Proposals No. 070-GG10 – COUNSELING SERVICES IN TWENTY (20) PROGRAMS WITH SELF-CONTAINED CLASSES FOR EMOTIONALLY HANDICAPPED AND SEVERELY, EMOTIONALLY-DISTURBED STUDENTS, to provide weekly group and/or individual counseling to students assigned to self-contained classes for the emotionally handicapped, for the Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student/Career Services, during the term of the proposal, effective July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, as follows:

Highest Rated Proposals:

1. A GIFT FOR THE SOUL, INC.
2501 BRICKELL AVENUE, #507
MIAMI, FL 33129 ESTIMATE \$153,000
CYNTHIA SERURE, PRESIDENT/C.E.O.

Sites: 4
Total Hours: 3060
Fee: \$50 per hour

2. BERTHA ABESS CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC.
5801 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD
MIAMI, FL 33137 ESTIMATE \$231,525
RONALD K. FELTON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/C.E.O.

Sites: 5
Total Hours: 4410
Fee: \$52.50 per hour

3. STEPHAN CHIARINI, LMFT & ASSOCIATES, INC.
7118 S.W. 105 COURT
MIAMI, FL 33173 ESTIMATE \$38,250
STEPHAN CHIARINI, PRESIDENT

Sites: 1
Total Hours: 765
Fee: \$50 per hour

4. MIAMI CONSULTANTS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
9260 SUNSET DRIVE, SUITE 203
MIAMI, FL 33173 ESTIMATE \$153,000
ROBIN KAYE STILWELL, PARTNER (WF)

Sites: 4
Total Hours: 3060
Fee: \$50 per hour

5. PSYCHAWARENESS, INC.
633 N.E. 167 STREET, SUITE 522
NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL 33162 ESTIMATE \$87,210
DR. CORNELIA WENZE, C.E.O.

Sites: 2
Total Hours: 1530
Fee: \$57 per hour

6. PSYCHSOLUTIONS, INC.
1320 SOUTH DIXIE HIGHWAY, SUITE 1140
CORAL GABLES, FL 33146 ESTIMATE \$137,250
SUZY SCHUMER, LCSW, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Sites: 4
Total Hours: 2745
Fee: \$50 per hour

7. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$800,235.

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