

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Justification and Approval
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. Contracting Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs, Network Contracting Office 16, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX

Purchase Requisition (VA2237) – 580-15-4-7725-0141

2. Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:

The proposed action is to obtain a new contract, by use of other than full and open competition, with Directions of Recovery to provide Community Based Health Care for thirty (30) homeless Veterans in a residential environment with a combination of other therapeutic services. The Contractor shall provide residential treatment for homeless and/or Substance Abuse (SA) veterans who are participating in either the Homeless or SA program with the Department of Veterans Affairs, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, 2002 Holcombe St., Houston, TX 77030. Period of Performance is August 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. This award is necessary to meet the agency's requirement.

3. Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:

The contractor shall oversee Veterans to assess personal hygiene maintenance, monitoring of medication, and any other service of supplies provided without extra charge. The goal of the HCHV program is to remove homeless Veterans from the street or habitation unfit for Veterans and place them in community-based, residential environments with sufficient therapeutic services to meet the needs of those Veterans. The Contractor will be required to provide a safe environment for housing, but will not be required to provide detoxification or other hospital level treatment – those services will be provided by the VA at VA facilities. The contractor shall provide room and board, laundry facilities, therapeutic and rehabilitative services and other supplemental services listed in the SOW. Directions of Recovery has been providing these services currently.



4. Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:

- (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
- (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
- (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
- (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4
- (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;
- (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;

() (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;

5. Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):

Directions of Recovery currently provides veterans with residential treatment and case management to include supportive housing for thirty (30) veterans for the MEDVAMC, Houston, TX. The contractor provides a safe environment for housing veterans patients and offers a treatment program with diverse start dates so continuity of care is essential to patient care. Circumstances in the acquisition process outside the agency's control have had a major impact on the award of the intended multiple year contract. If this contract is not awarded to provide the continuity of service for this special group of veterans, the impact could reach Congressional, as well as, other levels of Executive levels of interest. A lapse in service could be detrimental to the Veterans and moving them could not be done without setbacks in their current treatment.

6. Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:

Due to the emergent nature of this procurement no other sources were checked. To foster competition in the future the Government will see full and open competition procedures. However due to the emergent nature of this acquisition, full and open competition is not in the best interest of the Government.

7. Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable

The Contracting Officer believes the anticipated price will be considered fair and reasonable, based on comparative analysis of the historical pricing data and there is the expectation that Directions of Recovery will continue to offer these services at the same or near same cost that was offered in the last contract number VA256-15-C-0015. The expected cost is \$50.00 per day. The price from the contractor will be determined fair and reasonable by the CO prior to award.

8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:

According to FAR 10.001(a)(2), Market Research was conducted appropriate to the circumstances. An examination of the acquisition history was conducted and based on this and previous observations, full and open competition would not be successful in this short time frame.

Both COR and CO have knowledge these services is a commercial item.

9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:

Due to the urgency of this acquisition a sole source award will be made to Directions of Recovery because it is in the best interest of the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center and the Veterans it serves. Directions of Recovery is currently providing treatment for 30 veterans and there is no other known source that could complete this treatment without interruptions and/or setbacks to the veterans in their treatment program.

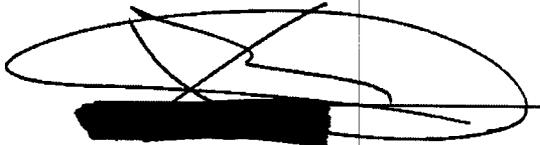
10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:

Directions of Recovery, Inc. (Incumbent Contractor)
513 Thornton St.
Houston, TX 77018
Office: 713-695-5242

11. A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:

In the future every effort will be made to remove or overcome barriers to competition. Another long term contract is being worked on and it will be done with full and open competition

12. Requirements Certification: I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Program Director/HCHV
Michael E. DeBakey VAMC

7-31-15
Date

13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304

a. Contracting Officer's Certification: (required) I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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CONTRACTING OFFICER

Date

b. Director of Contracting /Designee (Required \$150K and above): I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

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NCO16 Director of Contracting or Designee

Date