

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Justification and Approval (J&A)
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition (>\$150K)**

1. Contracting Activity:

The Department of Veteran Affairs, Hunter Holmes McGuire VA Medical Center (VAMC) located in Richmond, Virginia has a requirement to provide Wheelchair Van and Hired Car transportation for Veterans living in Central Virginia and occasional trips to other VAMC'S outside of Central Virginia for special care and treatment not provided by this VAMC. The services shall be provided twenty four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, to include Federal holidays.

Purchased request 2237 # 652-16-2-145-0023

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

The Contractor shall furnish all management, supervision, labor, materials, equipment, specified supplies, and resources necessary to provide Wheelchair Van and Hired Car transportation for wheelchair bound veterans and beneficiaries and hired cars to other eligible special needs Veterans and beneficiaries. This includes one way and /or round trip transportation services on an as needed basis from the Veterans' place of residence to the multiple locations. In that event, the Contractor shall be able to pick up Veterans at their residence, drop off at the VAMC, pick up and drop off at another private facility, and finally, drop off Veterans at their place of residence.

The consults are written in Computerized Patient Record System (CPRS) by Richmond VAMC Clinicians and forwarded by Social Workers determine whether or not a Veteran will ride in a Wheelchair Van or Hired Car.

This will action will be a stand along contract to prevent a break in services at expiration of current contract on February 28, 2016 through award of the new 2 year contract for transportation services. The anticipated award date of new contract is April 15, 2016.

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

The Contractor shall furnish all management, supervision, labor, materials, equipment, specified supplies, and resources necessary to provide Wheelchair Van and Hired Car transportation for wheelchair bound and Hired Cars to other eligible special needs Veterans and beneficiaries. The estimated value of the interim contract is \$561,000. Period of performance: March 1, 2016 to April 15, 2016.

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

This will action will be a modification to an existing contract (VA2046-14-D-0102)

() (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy
Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;

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- () (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;
- (x) (8) Soliciting from a Single Source FAR 13.106-1(b)(2)

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

Current contract is in negotiations and old contract will expire, therefore an interim contract to the incumbent is needed for the services not to be interrupted. Patient care will be negatively impacted if this temporary contract is not put into place.

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

A competitive procurement is currently in progress in which a solicitation was posted on the Government Point of Entry (GPE) as required by Federal Acquisition Regulations to seek competition from as many potential sources as practicable.

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

The same pricing schedule utilized for option year 2 of the current contract will be utilized for the bridge contract. The prices were evaluated and determined fair and reasonable when the current contract was awarded. These prices are still considered fair and reasonable based on current market prices for medical transportation services.

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

Market research was not conducted due to the nature and compelling urgency of the requirement. However, based on the contracting officer's knowledge of the industry, awarding the interim contract to the incumbent at current market rates is in the best interest of the government and will not have an adverse effect on patient care for the VAMC's veterans and beneficiaries.

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

It is vital to patient care that this interim contract be implemented due to patients standing appointments with dialysis and chemotherapy. If these appointments are missed it would cause hardship on their families, the facility and the patients. Also, due to the number of patients that are being transported daily for primary and specialty care appointments that have been scheduled well in advanced if missed would create missed opportunities for the facility. This would also delay other Veterans that need to be seen to have to be sent out for their appointments if not scheduled within 30 day of the clinical indicated date, costing the facility to spend unnecessary dollars for patient care.

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

1. Community Pastor Care
2. LMC Medical Transportation
3. Battle's Transportation
4. Navarre Corp

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:

Future acquisitions for this procurement will be requested and the acquisition processed in a timely manner to prevent the need for interim contracts to cover services through contract expiration to new contract award.

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.

Name
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Approvals in accordance with the [VHAPM, Volume 6, Chapter VI: OFOC SOP](#).

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

Name: Leah Trossen
NCO6 Service 2 Branch Chief

2/19/2016

Date

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- c. **Quality Assurance Officer:)**: I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

Name: Sarita Foxworth
NCO6 Quality Assurance

Date