

SERVICES CONTRACT

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DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM: Public Safety & Correctional Services (DPSCS)
Office of the Secretary

CONTRACT ID: Inmate Substance Abuse Treatment Services;
DPSCS Q0015010; ADPICS # Q00B5400141

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION: Provide substance abuse treatment service programs within the confines of the five specified correctional institutions of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

AWARD: Phoenix Houses of the Mid Atlantic, Inc.
Arlington, VA

TERM: 2/1/2015 – 6/30/2017 (w/2 two-year renewal options)

AMOUNT: \$ 8,475,175 (2 Years, 5 Months; Base Contract)
\$ 7,936,074 (2 Years; 1st Renewal Option)
\$ 8,476,707 (2 Years; 2nd Renewal Option)
\$24,887,956 Total (6 Years, 5 Months)

PROCUREMENT METHOD: Competitive Sealed Bidding

BIDS:

BIDDERS	TOTAL EVALUATED BIDS
Phoenix Houses of the Mid Atlantic, Inc. Arlington, VA	\$24,887,956
Gaudenzia, Inc. Baltimore, MD	\$26,526,395
The Transition House, Inc. St. Cloud, FL	\$29,439,095

MBE PARTICIPATION: 10.15% (See Requesting Agency Remarks)

PERFORMANCE SECURITY: None

INCUMBENT: Gaudenzia, Inc.
Baltimore, MD

REQUESTING AGENCY REMARKS: A notice of the availability of the Invitation for Bids (IFB) was advertised on *eMaryland Marketplace* and posted on DBM's and DPSCS' web pages and the DBM bid board. Copies of the solicitation notice were sent directly to 34 prospective vendors, 25 of which are Maryland firms, and included 21 MBEs.

Three bids were received in response to the IFB. Phoenix Houses of the Mid Atlantic, Inc. was determined to have the lowest priced responsive bid and is deemed to be a responsible bidder. Therefore, award is recommended to Phoenix Houses of the Mid Atlantic, Inc.

This contract is to obtain Substance Abuse Treatment Services for the following five correctional facilities within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS):

1. The Central Maryland Correctional Facility (CMCF);
2. The Maryland Correctional Institution for Women (MCI-W);
3. The Maryland Correctional Training Center (MCTC);
4. The Metropolitan Transition Center (MTC); and
5. The Patuxent Institution (PATX).

The Contractor shall also provide self-help monitor services at the Maryland Correctional Training Center [including the pre-release annex Harold E. Donnel Building and Emergency Housing Unit (HED/EHU)], Roxbury Correctional Institute (RCI), and Maryland Correction Institute – Hagerstown (MCI-H) all located in Hagerstown, MD.

Within the scope of services, the contractor will recognize inmates' needs for mental health services and other services such as educational and vocational training, social work, case management and religious services, and refer participants to those services.

DPSCS' substance abuse treatment programs operate as Modified Therapeutic Communities (TC). These are six-month cycle programs with new cycles beginning the first Wednesday of each month. The central philosophy embodied in the TC program is that substance abuse is often symptomatic of underlying psycho/social problems and cannot be effectively addressed by focusing solely on chemical dependency. The TC approach is designed to attend to all major aspects of the participant's lifestyle, criminogenic thinking and behavior.

The TC program's philosophy is based on several premises:

1. Drug/alcohol abuse and/or dependence is a disease that is associated with devastating psychosocial problems, including recurrent involvement with the criminal justice system.
2. There exists a clear and obvious relationship between drug/alcohol abuse/dependency and crime.
3. Substance abusing and/or dependent criminals who participate in prison-based treatment have a greater likelihood of success upon their release from prison.
4. Treatment does not have to be voluntary in order to be effective.

5. The focus of treatment using a TC model is global. It emphasizes the application of cognitive-behavioral techniques, modeling and behavior modification in order to develop a reasonable drug-free lifestyle.
6. The TC milieu allows for the development and demonstration of positive, pro-social attitudes and behaviors in response to the types of stressors, interactions, and rewards faced by the individual in the “real world.”

The goal of the various TC programs is to enhance public safety through the treatment of substance abusing and/or dependent inmates. In stressing remediation, cognitive restructuring and the development of pro-social values, the programs provide the participants with the skills needed to return to the community as drug-free, responsible, and productive members of society. Equally important is each program’s role in assessing the inmates’ needs, upon release, for continued monitoring and support in the community in order to reduce the risks of recidivism and relapse.

Maryland’s reciprocal preference law does not apply because Virginia, the state in which the recommended awardee resides, does not have an in-state preference for services.

The MBE participation goal was established at 10% with potential subcontracting opportunities including counselors, clinicians, pharmaceuticals, and supplies. The recommended awardee has committed to 10.15%.

FUND SOURCE:	96% General; 4% Reimbursable
APPROP. CODE:	Various
RESIDENT BUSINESS:	No
MD TAX CLEARANCE:	15-0045-0110

Board of Public Works Action - This Item was:

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