



RFP # 2023-MC3

Request for Proposals for: Micro Space

ISSUED ON OCTOBER 24, 2023
RESPONSES DUE BY: December 1, 2023
NO LATER THAN 4:00 P.M., COALITION TIME

RESPONSES DUE TO:

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF OSCEOLA COUNTY

ATTN. Carmen Garcia **RE:** RFP #2023-MC3
1631 E Vine Street, Ste. E
Kissimmee, FL 34744

Or by email: cgarcia@elcosceola.org

Please add the RFP number and name in the subject line

The **sole** point of contact for purposes of this RFP is:

Carmen Garcia, Grant Manager

Email: cgarcia@elcosceola.org

ANY ALTERATION OF THE LANGUAGE OF THIS RFP OR ANY REPRESENTATION OF MODIFIED LANGUAGE AS THE OFFICIALLY RELEASED RFP WILL NOT BE PERMITTED AND WILL BE SUFFICIENT CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF A PROPOSAL. IN CASE OF ANY DISPUTE CONCERNING THE TERMS OR LANGUAGE IN THIS DOCUMENT, THE COALITION PRINTED FILE COPY OF THIS RFP WILL PREVAIL.

Early Learning Coalition of Osceola County Request for Proposals (RFP) to Provide Micro Space

I. INTRODUCTION

The OSCEOLA COUNTY SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC. d/b/a EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF OSCEOLA COUNTY (Coalition) located at 1631 E Vine Street, Suite E, Kissimmee, FL 34744 will accept Proposals for **Micro Space**. Please consider this communication a formal Request for Proposal (RFP), responses to which will be used to determine the best-qualified firm for these services and will be the basis for negotiating a contract.

The Coalition is a not-for-profit corporation organized under the laws of the state of Florida and has been determined exempt by the Internal Revenue Service under the provisions of IRS Code, Section 501(c)(3). The Florida Division of Early Learning has certified the Coalition as a local early learning coalition for the purposes of implementing programs authorized by Florida Statute Chapter 1002. Our principal function is the provision of oversight, and policy guidance to the early childhood School Readiness and Voluntary Prekindergarten Education systems in Osceola County, Florida.

The Early LearnHub project aims to transform a space in a local brick and mortar small business, frequently visited by local families, into vibrant learning spaces. We believe that these spaces can serve as catalysts for positive change, offering educational experiences that are both engaging and accessible.

Your product is not just a component of our project; it's a vital tool for making a lasting impact. It will enable us to provide children with valuable learning experiences, empowering them to grow and thrive. By aligning your expertise with our mission, we're not only creating a product; we're shaping a brighter future for our communities.

We are seeking a vendor to design, produce, and install engaging play space wall units for ten small businesses within our community. These wall units should prioritize learning, encourage parent-child interaction, and be aesthetically pleasing durable material. Additionally, the vendor should provide marketing or signage materials for each unit.

II. STATEMENT OF WORK

To create interactive and educational play space wall units that enhance the experience of families visiting our small business partners' locations.

- **Propose a Concept Development, Design and Production:**
 - Brainstorm and propose a concept for the play space wall unit that aligns with our mission of promoting learning through play.
 - Present detailed concept sketches or renderings for approval.
 - Design the play space wall unit, including all interactive elements, features, and materials.
 - Procure or produce the necessary components, whether custom or from stock materials.
 - Ensure the design meets safety and quality standards.
 - Design for a play space wall unit should not exceed six feet wide.
- **Installation:**
 - Coordinate the installation process, including any necessary adjustments or modifications to fit the designated small business locations.
 - Ensure secure and safe installation of the units within the small businesses.
- **Marketing and Signage:**
 - Develop marketing materials or signage that promotes the benefits and features of the play space wall unit along with our branding and location branding.
 - Provide instructions for use and any additional information relevant to the unit.

Application Requirements:**Phase 1: Written Proposal**

We want to get to know you and your concept better, please provide within your proposal:

- your company overview
- company leadership
- a written narrative to the scope of work
- market experience
- Your financial proposal for this project
- a preliminary sketch or rendering of your proposed concept
- completed Minimum Vendor Requirements Checklist, signed (Appendix I.)

Not all proposals will advance to Phase Two of this process. To qualify for an invitation to the second phase, your Phase One proposal should achieve a minimum score of 20 out of 25 according to our Phase 1 Proposal Evaluation Rubric. Please consult (Appendix II) to access and review the RFP Evaluation Rubric.

Phase 2: Vendor Presentation (*invitation only*)

- Submit official concept sketches and ideas.
- Provide a brief presentation on your final concept, ideas, and benefits of your product and service.
- Your evaluation will be based on the criteria outlined in the RFP Evaluation Rubric (Appendix II). Ensure your presentation covers the following points:
- Creativity within your product
- Explanation of your Design and Quality
- Your production approach
- Installation Plan
- Marketing/Signage

Minimum Vendor Requirements:

- **Product Safety** - Upon request, provide up to date “testing” documentation for each item sold or distributed that meets current ASTM requirements.
- **Distribution** - NO DROP SHIPMENTS. Operate multiple warehouses across the country, to ensure timely delivery.
- **Custom Cartooning & Labeling** - Boxes are labeled by site, so materials can be quickly inventoried and delivered to each location without error.
- **Delivery Services** - Complimentary delivery and installation services on all complete orders over \$20,000, to non-remote locations; includes working with on-site personnel to schedule the delivery, meet the truck upon arrival, coordinate with site contacts, assemble all furniture, place materials, and organize each room to specification as well as remove all debris associated with the project.
- **Space Layout** - Complimentary 3-D layouts for all orders; includes “scaled” renderings depicting all furniture, carpet, doors, windows, etc., to ensure appropriate sizing and functionality in each environment.
- **Warranties & Guarantees** - Lifetime warranty on all premium furniture lines and/or limited warranty on all customized products/furniture.
- **GREENGUARD Gold Certification** – multiple lines of furniture are certified as GREENGUARD Gold by the GREENGUARD Environmental Institute to support low emissions standards— reducing chemical pollutants and helping to improve the indoor air quality.

Budget:

The maximum budget to accomplish the objective should not exceed \$100,000.

Award Process:

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In Phase Two of the proposal process, the selection committee will allocate presentation slots and utilize (Appendix II) for vendor assessment and selection. The vendor selected for the award will be determined based on the highest score in the RFP Evaluation Criteria (Appendix II). Notifications regarding the award decision for phase two candidates will be issued by Friday, December 8, 2023. The anticipated project commencement date is January 1, 2024.

MINIMUM VENDOR REQUIREMENTS

If you're unable to meet a requirement, please explain why in the line provided. (Initial)

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Additional comments:

Signature

Title

Date

RFP EVALUATION CRITERIA

This form has been designed to guide the RFP vendor selection committee on how to choose the most qualified vendor to fulfill the request. Please rate the vendor on a scale of 1-5 based on the score range indicators.

| | | Vendors | | |
|--|---|-------------------------------|----|----|
| | | #1 | #2 | #3 |
| Max | Phase One: Written Proposal Review (Max 25pts) | 5 (Yes), 3 (Somewhat), 0 (No) | | |
| 5 | The proposal was submitted by the deadline? | | | |
| 5 | The proposal submitted is clear and concise? | | | |
| 5 | Was the proposal responsive to our scope of work and objectives? | | | |
| 5 | Does the vendor have experience and meet vendor requirements? | | | |
| 5 | Is the estimate/cost the best value? | | | |
| Totals for Phase One: | | | | |
| Will this vendor move to Phase Two? | | | | |
| Phase Two: Presentation & Solution Proposed (Max 25pts) | | 5 Exceptional - 1 Inadequate | | |
| 5 | Concept Creativity and Alignment: Innovative and highly aligned with the project's educational and interactive goals. | | | |
| 5 | Design and Quality: High-quality design that meets safety and aesthetic standards. | | | |
| 5 | Production Approach: Well-detailed approach that includes materials, fabrication, and quality control. | | | |
| 5 | Installation Plan: Comprehensive installation plan that addresses small business locations' unique requirements. | | | |
| 5 | Marketing and Signage: Comprehensive marketing and signage strategy that effectively promotes the play space wall unit. | | | |
| 50 | Total Points out of 50: | | | |

There is an allowable 50 pts max per vendor, the vendor with the highest point value will be selected based on scoring.

Selected Vendor: _____

Comments: _____

Evaluator Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

SECTION III – SELECTION METHOD AND INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Bidding Instructions

3.1.1 Interest. Companies who intend to respond to this RFP are requested to notify the Coalition by sending an email to cgarcia@elcosceola.org with the RFP number and name in the subject line. Please include the name, address, telephone, fax and email address of the company (firm) and contact person. Please include a completed Attachment A & B with the email.

3.1.2 Application Timetable

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|---|------------|
| Dates Advertised/Available: | 11/03/2023 |
| Deadline for Receipt of written questions: | 11/15/2023 |
| Deadline for answers to contractor questions: | 11/20/2023 |
| RFP Phase One close date: (All submissions due) | 12/01/2023 |
| RFP Proposals Reviewed (virtual or in person): | 12/11/2023 |
| RFP Phase Two notifications sent by: | 12/15/2023 |
| Host Phase Two Vendor proposal presentations: | 01/02/2024 |
| Vendor evaluations completed by: | 01/05/2024 |
| Notification of award to the chosen Vendor: | 01/08/2024 |
| Contract Award: work begins: | 02/05/2024 |
| Contract Work to be completed by: | 09/30/2024 |

3.1.3 Evaluation Process

The Vendor Selection Committee, consisting of Coalition staff, will evaluate the proposals and prepare recommendations for the Chief Executive Officer and/or the Coalition Board of Directors. All proposals received will be reviewed in accordance with the criteria listed in this RFP. The Committee may request a presentation by any or all companies to clarify proposed plans and details, as part of the review and evaluation process. The Committee may also ask additional questions to clarify the submitted proposal(s).

The Chief Executive shall make the final decision, and once the selection has been made, contract negotiations will begin. If a contract agreement cannot be reached with the most successful company, negotiations with that company will be formally terminated. The Coalition would then negotiate with the next most successful company until an agreement is reached. The Coalition may choose to modify the choice of a selected company if the Coalition determines that such a change is in its best interest.

The Coalition reserves the right to reject any and all proposals submitted. The Coalition further reserves the right to inspect the facilities, organization, and review evidence of the financial condition of a company to assess their ability to perform the contract before awarding a contract.

Multiple bids may be selected in order to best provide the goods and services and to meet the goals outlined in the Scope of Work for this RFP.

3.1.4 Evaluation Criteria

Each proposal will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Alignment with RFP Scope of Work
- Proposal timeliness, Professionalism, and Conciseness
- Expertise/Experience
- Availability of Resources (based on time requirement)
- Value of Product/Services

All company responses to this RFP will receive written notification of the status of their proposal.

SECTION IV – TERMS, CONDITIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Federal and State Tax

The Coalition is exempt from federal taxes; in addition, the Coalition is exempt from State and County tangible personal property taxes, sales taxes, and intangible taxes. The Coalition's Chief Executive Officer will sign an exemption certificate submitted by the successful company. The company doing business with the Coalition will not be exempted from paying sales tax to their suppliers for materials to fulfill contractual obligations with the Coalition, in addition, the successful company will not be authorized to use the Coalition's tax exemption number in securing such materials.

4.2 Legal Requirements

It shall be the responsibility of the provider to be knowledgeable of all federal, state, county and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations that in any manner affect the items covered herein. Lack of knowledge by the company will in no way be a cause for relief from responsibility.

Companies doing business with the Coalition will be required to attest to compliance with the following federal and state rules and regulations:

- Equal Employment Opportunity (EO 11246 as amended by EO 11375 and supplemented by regulation 41 CFR part 60)
- Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 USC 874 and 40 USA 276c)
- Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327-333)
- Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement (37 CFR part 401)
- Clean Air Act (42 USC 7401 et seq) and Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1251 et seq), as amended
- Debarment and Suspension (EO 12549 and EO 12689)

4.3 Agreement

A professional services agreement will be negotiated for any work to be performed as a result of this RFP. The RFP, the proposal, and the resulting agreement will constitute the complete agreement between the company and the Coalition. This RFP alone is in no way an agreement, obligation, or contract and in no way is the Coalition responsible for the cost of preparing the proposal. One copy of the proposal will be retained for official files and become a public record.

4.4 Trade Secret and Confidential Materials

If the application includes material which is deemed a trade secret (as defined by Section 812.081, FS) or other confidential material exempt from the provisions of Chapter 119, FS, which the company does not wish to become public record, the following statement should be included in the application:

"Trade Secrets as defined by Section 812.081, Florida Statutes, or other confidential materials contained on applicable pages of this application shall not be used or disclosed, except for evaluation purposes. However, if a contract is awarded to this offer or as a result in connection with the submission of this program, the Coalition shall have the right to use or disclose the information designated as trade secrets or confidential to the extent provided in the contract. This restriction does not limit the Coalition's right to use or disclose the information designated as trade secrets or designated as confidential which is obtained from another source."

Any exemption claimed will be limited to the pertinent documents and must be supported by a statutory exemption. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, nothing contained in the application shall be deemed or interpreted to restrict or prevent the Coalition from complying with the disclosure requirements of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, when material is incorrectly identified as a trade secret or confidential information. By submitting an application, the applicant covenants not to sue the Coalition and waives any claim against the Coalition arising under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or in connection with or as a result of any disclosures by the Coalition in connection herewith.

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ATTACHMENT A**Notice of Intent to Submit a Proposal**Title of Proposal: **RFP #2023-ERT1**

Proposer Name

Services to be

provided.

Proposer FEID No. _____

Proposer Contact Person's Name and Title

Proposer Address

Telephone Number | Fax Number | Email Address | Website

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Website: _____

Name and email of Proposer's Project Director (if different from above)

Signature of Authorized Official* _____

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Name of Coalition Representative Receiving "INTENT TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL" Form:

Date Received: _____ Time Received: _____

Delivery Method: __Hand delivered to Coalition__ Received by US Mail/Fed Ex/UPS

*An authorized official is an officer of the Proposer's organization who has legal authority to bind the Proposer to the provisions of the Proposal. This usually is the President, Chairman of the Board, or Owner of the entity. A document establishing delegated authority must be included with the Proposal if signed by other than the president, chairman, or owner.

ATTACHMENT B**APPLICATION COVER SHEET****Early Learning Coalition of Osceola County
RFP #2023-MC3**

of Pages included: _____

Date _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Website Address: _____

Date Entity/Business Established (Mo/Year) _____

Fiscal Year End (month): _____

Type of Business:

Private, For-Profit__ Private, Not-for-Profit_Public/Government _____

Other _____ Federal I.D. #: _____

Cost Summary:

Total Amount Quoted \$ _____

Name/Position of Person Completing Application:

Email Address _____

ATTACHMENT C**NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT**

State of Florida

County of _____

_____ being first duly sworn deposes and says that:

1. He/she is the (Owner, Partner, Officer, Representative or Agent) of the Respondent that has submitted the attached Proposal;
2. He/she is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Proposal and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such Proposal;
3. Such Proposal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Proposal;
4. Neither the said Vendor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, have in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Respondent, firm, or person to submit a collusive or sham Proposal in connection with the Work for which the attached Proposal has been submitted; or to refrain from bidding in connection with such Work; or have in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or communication, or conference with any Respondent, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the attached Proposal or any other Respondent or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost elements of the Proposal price or the Quote price of any other Respondent, or to secure through any collusion, connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against (Recipient), or any person interested in the proposed work;
5. The price or prices quoted in the attached response are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the Respondent or any other of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

On this the _____ day of _____, 20____, before me, the undersigned Notary Public of the State of Florida, personally appeared. _____

Enter name of individual(s) who appeared before notary and whose name(s) is/are subscribed to within the instrument and he/she/they acknowledge that he/she/they executed it.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____ 2023.

Personally known _____ or produced identification _____

Notary Signature: _____

My commission expires: _____

(Seal)

RFP #2023-EFR02**ATTACHMENT D****STATEMENTS OF NO INVOLVEMENT and AUTHORIZATION**

I, _____, as
an authorized (Name and Title)
representative of _____, certify that no (Name
of Firm) member of this firm nor any person having interest or ownership in this firm has:

1. Been awarded a Contract by the Early Learning Coalition of Osceola County, Inc. on a noncompetitive basis to perform a perform a feasibility study concerning the scope of work contained in this Solicitation; or
2. Participated in drafting this Solicitation; or
3. Developed a program for future implementation with specific subject matter contained in this Solicitation.

Furthermore, I attest that:

1. As signatory on this Proposal, I hereby certify that I have the authority to submit this application. I agree to abide by all conditions of this Solicitation and I certify that I have the authority to execute this Solicitation.
2. I further certify that the response is in compliance with the requirements of the RFP including, but not limited to, the certification requirements.
3. I further acknowledge that I know I had the right to object to the form of the RFP but I have submitted without objection.

Print Name of Authorized Official:

Title: _____

Signature of Authorized Official:

Date: _____

ATTACHMENT E

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST

The award hereunder is subject to the provisions of 2 C.F.R. Part 200.112. Respondents must disclose with their bids whether any officer, director, employee, or agent is also an officer or an employee of the Coalition, the State of Florida, or any of its agencies. All firms must disclose the name of any state officer, Board Member, or employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the Respondent's firm or any of its branches or affiliates.

All Respondents must also disclose the name of any employee, agent, lobbyist, previous employee of the Agency, or other person, who has received or will receive compensation of any kind, or who has registered or is required to register under Section 112.3215, Florida Statutes, in seeking to influence the actions of the Agency in connection with this procurement.

The following persons are officers, director, employee, etc., of the Coalition who have a 5% interest in the Respondent's firm:

The following persons are a state officer or employee who owns 5% or more in the Respondent's firm:

The following persons have sought to influence the Coalition in this procurement on behalf of the Respondent.

The Respondent has had no person seeking to influence the Coalition in connection with this procurement.

***Authorized Signature**

***Authorized Signature (Printed), Title**

***This individual must have the authority to bind the Respondent.**

ATTACHMENT F**CERTIFICATION REGARDING
DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION
CONTRACTS/SUBCONTRACTS**

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, signed February 18, 1986. The guidelines were published in the May 29, 1987, Federal Register (52 Fed. Reg., pages 20360-20369).

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Each provider whose contract/subcontract equals or exceeds \$25,000 in federal monies must sign this certification prior to execution of each contract/subcontract. Additionally, providers who audit federal programs must also sign, regardless of the contract amount. The Coalition cannot contract with these types of providers if they are debarred or suspended by the federal government.
2. This certification is a material representation of the fact upon which reliance is placed when this contract/subcontract is entered into. If it is later determined that the signer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The provider shall provide immediate written notice to the contract manager at any time the provider learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this certification, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the contract manager for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The provider agrees by submitting this certification that, it shall not knowingly enter into any subcontract with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this contract/subcontract unless authorized by the Federal Government.
6. The provider further agrees by submitting this certification that it will require each subcontractor of this contract/subcontract, whose payment will equal or exceed \$25,000 in federal monies, to submit a signed copy of this certification.
7. The Coalition may rely upon a certification of a provider that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from contracting/subcontracting unless it knows that the certification is erroneous.
8. This signed certification must be kept in the contract manager's contract file. Subcontractor's certifications must be kept at the contractor's business location.

CERTIFICATION

- (1) The prospective contractor certifies, by signing this certification, that neither he nor his principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this contract/subcontract by any federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective provider shall attach an explanation to this certification.

*Authorized Signature

*Authorized Name (Printed) and Title

*This individual must have the authority to bind the prospective Contractor.

ATTACHMENT G**CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES AFFIDAVIT**

DIRECTIONS: BY ATTESTING TO THIS FORM, THE CONTRACTOR AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL SECTIONS ON THE SWORN AFFIDAVIT. THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

APPLICATION ACCURACY

I do hereby certify that all facts, figures, and representations made in the Bid are true and correct. The filing of this Bid has been authorized by the contracting entity and I have been duly authorized to act as the representative of the organization in connection with this Bid. I also agree to follow all terms, conditions, and applicable federal law and state statutes.

AUTHORITY FOR DATA COLLECTION – 45 CFR Part 98.10-12; ss. 1001.213, 1002.75 and 1002.82, F.S. In performing its responsibilities, the Contractor hereby certifies and assures that it will fully comply with the following requirements.

I. Federal certifications – applicable to all entities**II. Federal or state-required assurances – applicable to OEL subrecipients**

- A. Assurances – Non-construction programs (OMB Standard Form SF 424 Assurances - construction programs (OMB Standard Form SF 424D), if applicable
- B. Assurances – The Transparency Act (as defined by 2 CFR Part 170)
- C. Other miscellaneous/general disclosures
- D. Assurance for proper expenditure reporting
- E. CCDF Salary Cap annual testing requirements
- F. Certification (ACORN) - prohibition for distribution of funds to the Association of Community Organization for Reform Now
- G. Certification regarding ELC status as a non-major corporation
- H. Certification of cost allocation plan or indirect cost rate proposal
- I. Certification regarding separation of VPK Education Program and SR Program funds (ss. 1002.71(1) and (7), F.S., 1002.89, F.S., and 45 CFR part 98.54)
- J. Certification regarding subrecipient monitoring
- K. Certification regarding immigration status
- L. Certification regarding standards of conduct
- M. Clean Air Act (42 USC 7401, et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 USC 1251, et seq.)
- N. Conflicts of Interest
- O. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act
- P. Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (18 U.S.C. 874 and 40 U.S.C. 276c)
- Q. Davis Bacon Act, as amended (40 USC 276a, et seq.)
- R. DUNS number – Data Universal Numbering System
- S. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)
- T. Procurement of recovered materials
- U. Procurements and other purchases
- V. Property
- W. Purchase of American-Made Equipment and Products
- X. System for Award Management (SAM) Unique Entity Identifier Requirements
- Y. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

III. Federal certifications – applicable to all entities

The following Certifications are hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein. See 45 CFR 75 Appendix II, *Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards*.

FOR THOSE THAT REQUIRE SIGNATURE, SEE ATTACHED EXECUTED.

[Debarment Certification - Primary Debarment Certification - Lower Tier Environmental Tobacco Smoke Certification](#)

IV. Federal or state-required assurances – applicable to OEL subrecipients

The following Assurances are hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein.

A. Assurances – non-construction programs – required by OMB Standard Form SF 424 B, see [SF-424B Non-construction Programs](#).

B. Assurances – construction programs – required by OMB Standard Form SF 424D, see [SF-424D Construction Programs. – IF APPLICABLE](#)

Note – Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to ELC's operations. Please contact OEL with questions.

C. "The Transparency Act" (as defined in 2 CFR Part 170)

The following award term is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein –

HHS now requires this program award to adhere to the Transparency Act's Sub-award and Executive Compensation reporting requirements (as 2 CFR Part 170 defines). Under the Transparency Act, the grantee must report all sub-awards (as 2 CFR Part 170 defines) more than \$25,000, unless exempted. Please see the newly applicable Award Term for Federal Financial Accountability and Transparency Act at [the USDHHS ACF website](#).

D. Other Assurances – miscellaneous/general disclosures

As the ELC's duly authorized representative, I certify that the ELC –

1. Will use fiscal control and fund accounting procedures that will ensure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, federal and state funds paid to that agency under each program. Access to such records shall be made available to authorized representatives of U.S. governmental agencies, the Florida DOE, the Florida DFS and the Auditor General of the state of Florida for the purpose of program and fiscal auditing and monitoring.
2. Will cause the required financial and compliance audits to be performed in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and 2 CFR §200, Subpart F, *Audit Requirements*, and/or Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, Florida Single Audit Act, as applicable.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees and board members from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receiving the awarding agency's approval.

5. Will administer each program covered by this agreement in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, statutes, rules, policies, procedures and program requirements governing the program(s).
6. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other federal and state laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing each funded program.
7. Will submit such reports as described in Section D of this agreement to the Florida DOE, the U.S. DOE and the USDHHS to perform their duties. The ELC will maintain such fiscal and programmatic records and provide access to those records, as necessary, for those departments to perform their duties.
8. Will provide reasonable opportunities for systematic consultation with and participation of teachers, parents and other interested agencies, organizations, and individuals, including education-related community groups and non-profit organizations, in the planning for and operation of each program.
9. Will make any application, evaluation, periodic program plan or report relating to each program readily available to parents and other members of the general public.
10. Will have/establish and maintain a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards.
11. Will not expend funds under the applicable program to acquire equipment (including computer software) in any instance in which such acquisition results in a direct financial benefit to any organization representing the interests of the purchasing entity or its employees or any affiliate of such an organization.
12. Will comply with the requirements in 2 CFR Part 180, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (No procurement).
13. Will comply with all state and federal requirements, as applicable, for internal controls to ensure compliance with federal and state statutes, regulations, and terms and conditions of the award.
14. Will comply with Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine Law (Chapter 286, Florida Statutes), that provides a right of access to meeting of boards, commissions and other governing bodies of state and local governmental agencies or authorities.
15. If applicable, after timely and meaningful consultation, the recipient will provide the opportunity for children enrolled in private, non-profit schools, and the educational personnel of such schools, equitable participation in the activities and services provided by these federal funds and will notify the officials of the private schools of said opportunity. (Educational services or other benefits provided, including materials and equipment, shall be secular, neutral, and non-ideological. Expenditures for such services or other benefits shall be equal [consistent with the number of children to be served] to expenditures for programs of children enrolled in the public schools of the local educational agency.)

E. Assurance for proper expenditure reporting

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.415, *Required Certifications*, the official who is authorized to legally bind the Contractor must include the following certification on final fiscal reports or vouchers requesting payment.

"By signing the General Assurances, Terms and Conditions for Participation in Federal and State Programs, I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that all applications submitted are true, complete, and accurate, for the purposes and objectives set forth in the contract. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material fact, may subject me to criminal or administrative penalties for false statements, false claims or otherwise."

F. CCDF Salary Cap annual testing requirements

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (P.L. 112-74), enacted Dec. 23, 2011, limits the salary amount that ELCs may award and charge to grants and cooperative agreements that the Administration of Children and Families (ACF) funds.

ELCs may not use CCDF award funds to pay an individual's salary at a rate more than the annual maximum Executive Level II federal pay rate. The Federal Executive Pay Scale maximum annual Executive Level II salary for calendar year 2015 is \$183,300 and is accessible annually at [the U.S. Office of Personnel Management website](#). This amount reflects an individual's base salary without fringe benefits and income that an individual may earn outside of the duties to the applicant organization. The ELC shall apply this salary limitation to subawards/subcontracts under an ACF grant or cooperative agreement ([Child Care Development Grant Funds Program Specific Terms and Conditions for State and Territory Grantees, V.2013.1 \(12/2012\)](#)).

1. **ELCs/ELC subrecipients may not use grant funds to pay for salary costs that exceed the CCDF cap.**
2. **ELCs/ELC subrecipients must allocate salaries that multiple funding sources pay and compare these calculations to received program benefits.**
3. **The ELC/ELC subrecipients should perform and document an annual analysis using W-2 data.**
4. **All CCDF-funded grantees and sub-grantees are responsible for assuring compliance with this provision. All such CCDF fund recipients and subrecipients are responsible for enforcing other impacted entities of this compliance requirement.**
5. **All CCDF-funded grantees shall comply with salary cap reporting requirements outlined in this section.**

G. Certification (ACORN) – prohibition for distribution of funds to the Association of Community Organization for Reform Now

To comply with P.L. 111-117, the grantee may not distribute federal funds made available under this agreement to the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) or its subsidiaries. In addition, the grantee may not provide federal funds to any covered organization as House of Representatives (H.R.) 3571, the Defund ACORN Act, defines.

H. Certification regarding non-profit organization status as a non-major corporation

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.415, *Required Certifications*, the non-profit organization as appropriate must certify it does not meet the definition of a major corporation. 2 CFR §200.414(a) defines major nonprofit organizations as those which receive more than \$10 million dollars in direct Federal funding.

_____ The Contractor is not a major nonprofit organization.

_____ The Contract is a major nonprofit organization.

I. Certification of cost allocation plan or indirect cost rate Bid

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.415, *Required Certifications*, the Contractor must certify the submitted cost allocation plan or indirect cost rate Bid, as instructed by the Office. OEL's current cost allocation plan guidance instructs that no indirect cost rates are required or used by the Office at this time since Florida's early learning programs have administrative spending caps assigned by federal regulation and/or state statutes. For more details, please contact OEL.

J. Certification regarding separation of VPK Education Program and SR Program funds

Pursuant to ss.1002.71(1) and (7), F.S., s. 1002.89, F.S., and 45 CFR part 98.54, the VPK and SR Programs are independent programs that separate state and federal sources fund. All grantee expenditures made, and fiscal records maintained shall reflect funds expenditure separation.

The grantee hereby certifies that –

It will expend all SR (Child Care Development Fund, TANF, Social Services Block Grant and General Revenue) funds solely for operating the SR Program and the funds shall be distinctive and clearly identifiable in all fiscal records the grantee maintains. The grantee shall use all state general revenue funds awarded for operating the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program solely operating the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program and shall be distinctive and clearly identifiable in all fiscal records the grantee maintains.

K. Certification regarding subrecipient monitoring

The grantee certifies that it has established and shall implement fiscal and programmatic monitoring procedures for its subrecipients.

L. Certification regarding immigration status

The grantee certifies that it agrees to comply with the provisions of s. 432 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (42 USC part 1611); ensuring that only individuals eligible for CCDF services receive them.

M. Certification regarding standards of conduct

The grantee certifies that it shall comply with the provisions 2 CFR §200.318, General Procurement Standards, regarding standards of conduct. It will establish safeguards to prohibit employees and board members from using their positions for any purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest or personal gain.

N. Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act

Pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), as amended, if this grant or contract is in an amount in excess of \$100,000, **Contractor** shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 **U.S.C.** 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 **U.S.C.** 1251 et seq.). Violations shall be reported to the federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**). See 45 CFR 75, Appendix II, Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards.

O. Conflicts of Interest

1. Pursuant to 2 CFR §200.318, *General procurement standards*, the Office must maintain oversight to ensure contractors perform scoped services in accordance with minimum standards or conduct.
 - 1.1. If the Contractor has a parent, affiliate or subsidiary organization that is not a state or local government the Contractor must also maintain written standards of conduct covering organization conflicts of interest.
 - 1.2. Organizational conflicts of interest mean that because of relationships with a parent company, affiliate, or subsidiary organization, the Contractor is unable or appears to be unable to be impartial in conducting a procurement action involving a related organization.
 - 1.3. The Contractor's written standards of conduct must also address the performance of employees engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts.

2. Related party contracts. Pursuant to state statute and OEL instructions (s. 1002.84(20), F.S.), the Contractor shall provide OEL contract documentation for any contracts with Contractor employees, governing board members or relatives of either group as s. 112.3143(1)(b), F.S., defines. The Contractor must comply with disclosure and reporting requirements in state statute and OEL instructions (s. 1002.84(20), F.S.).

- 2.1. Any governing board member(s) benefitting from Contractor agreement(s) must disclose in advance the conflict of interest and must abstain from the vote process.
- 2.2. The impacted individual must complete the necessary conflict of interest disclosure forms.
- 2.3. The Contractor shall present all such contracts to the governing board for a vote. A valid approval requires two-thirds vote of the Contractor's board; a quorum must be established.
- 2.4. The Contractor shall not enter into or execute a contract in excess of \$25,000 with a member of the governing board or relative of a board member without OEL's prior approval.
- 2.5. The Contractor does not have to obtain OEL's prior approval for contracts below \$25,000.
- 2.6. However, the Contractor must adequately disclose and properly report and track such contract activity.
- 2.7. The Contractor shall report such contracts to OEL within 30 days after receiving approval from the governing board.

P. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

Federal and state standards for procurement and contracts administration require all contracts in excess of \$100,000 discuss requirements for compliance with federal labor laws. See 45 CFR 75 Appendix II, Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards. This provision applies to agreements that include salaries for laborers and for all contracts for repairs, improvements, or other construction activities.

- Contractors will compute wages in a 40-hour week and pay employees for extra hours worked. None shall be forced to work in unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous conditions or surroundings.
- These requirements do not apply to the purchase of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market or contracts for transportation services.

Q. Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874 and 40 U.S.C. 276c)

- Federal and state standards for procurement and contracts administration require all contracts in excess of \$2,000 discuss requirements for compliance with federal labor laws. See 45 CFR 75 Appendix II, Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards.
- This provision applies to agreements that include salaries for laborers and for all contracts for repairs, improvements, or other construction activities.
- Each contractor or subrecipient shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he is otherwise entitled. The recipient shall report all suspected or reported violations to the Department of Labor.

R. Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 USC 276a, et. seq.)

When federal program legislation requires, all construction contracts of more than \$2,000 the recipients and subrecipients award shall include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a, et seq.), as supplemented by Department of Labor (DOL) regulations (29 CFR Part 5, Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction). Under this Act, contractors shall be required to pay wages to laborers and

mechanics at a rate not less than the minimum wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors shall be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The recipient shall place a copy of the DOL-issued current prevailing wage determination in each solicitation, and the award of a contract shall be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The recipient shall report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. DOL regulations, rules and instructions concerning implementation of the Davis-Bacon Act and other labor laws can be found in Title 29 CFR Part(s) 1, 3, 5, 6 and 7.

S. DUNS Number – Data Universal Numbering System

The federal government requires organizations to provide a DUNS number as part of their grant applications and Bids. The OMB has adopted the use of DUNS numbers to keep track of how federal grant money is awarded and dispersed. The DUNS number is a nine-digit number the Dun and Bradstreet Company issues. This company provides business information for credit, marketing and purchasing decisions. Some entities will also have what is known as “DUNS + 4,” which is used to identify specific units within a larger entity.

Registering for a DUNS number is free of charge with no obligation to purchase any products from the Dun and Bradstreet Company. An authorizing official of the organization should request the number. Generally, it only takes a day to obtain a DUNS number by phone (1-866-705-5711), while applications through [the Dun and Bradstreet website](#) can take up to 30 days.

All recipients and subrecipients funded with federal funds must obtain a DUNS number prior to receiving a grant

T. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)

The ELC agrees to comply with E.O. No. 11246, Equal Employment Opportunity (30 Federal Register (F.R.) 12319, 12935, 3 CFR, 1964-1965 comp. p. 339), Sept. 24, 1965, as E.O. 11375, Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity, of Oct. 13, 1967, amended, and as the Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR part 60) Office of Federal Compliance Programs, Equal Opportunity, Department of Labor supplements. See 45 CFR 75, Appendix II, *Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards*.

U. Procurement of Recovered Materials

- (a) Pursuant to 2 CFR §§200.317, Procurements by states, and §200.322, Procurement of recovered materials, the ELC will comply with the following requirements of section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.
 - (i) procure only items designated in the guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 for buying recycled content products;
 - (ii) Procure solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and
 - (iii) establish an affirmative procurement program for purchases of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines. Information about this requirement is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/> . The list of EPA-designated items is available at <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products.htm>.

- (b) In accordance with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the ELC shall procure items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition. The ELC shall procure items designated in the EPA guidelines that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable unless the ELC determines that such items:
- (1) are not reasonably available in a reasonable period of time;
 - (2) fail to meet reasonable performance standards, which shall be determined on the basis of the guidelines of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, if applicable to the item; or (3) are only available at an unreasonable price.
- (c) Paragraph (b) of this clause shall apply to items purchased under this contract where:
- (1) the ELC purchases in excess of \$10,000 of the item under this contract; or
 - (2) during the preceding Federal fiscal year, the ELC:
 - (i) purchased any amount of the items for use under a contract that was funded with federal appropriations and was with a federal agency or a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a State; and
 - (ii) purchased a total of in excess of \$10,000 of the item both under and outside that contract.

V. Procurements and other purchases

The ELC must comply with federal/state procurement requirements. State procurement instructions are described in ss. 215.971, 287.057, and 287.058, F.S. However, the ELC is not required to competitively procure direct service providers for the SR or VPK Education Programs. The ELC must have documented procurement policies and procedures that meet the minimum requirements of federal rules and regulations which are located at 2 CFR §§200.317-200.326.

W. Property

1. Property purchased in whole or in part with federal funds shall be used for the purpose of that federal program and accounted for in accordance with applicable federal and state statutes, rules and regulations. The ELC shall comply with the provisions of 45 CFR §75.318 *Real property*, 45 CFR §75.320 *Equipment*, and 45 CFR §75.321 *Supplies*. The ELC shall include in all subrecipient contracts, and any vendor contracts for services that include purchasing/procuring equipment, language that requires property a subrecipient purchases with funds provided under the agreement to revert to the ELC upon contract termination. In accordance with OEL Program Guidance 240.02, title to all property acquired with funds provided to the ELC under this agreement shall be vested in the ELC; however, title and ownership shall be transferred to OEL upon termination of the ELC participation in early learning programs, unless otherwise authorized in writing by OEL. All property required to be returned to the Office will be in good working order. See 2 CFR §200.318, *General procurement standards*, s. 273.02, F.S., and 69I-73.002, F.A.C.
2. The term “nonexpendable property” shall include all tangible personal property which meet the criteria set forth in Rule 69I-73.002, F.A.C. In accordance with 45 CFR 75.439 and in compliance with [OEL Program Guidance 240.05, Guidance on Prior Approval Procedures for Selected Costs and Administrative Requirements](#), property shall not be purchased with program funds without prior approval from OEL (Exhibit 1 CC.).

3. Contingencies such as liens or other liabilities shall not be placed upon assets purchased with program funds, nor shall non-expendable property purchased with program funds be used as collateral.
4. In accordance with OEL Program Guidance 240.02 – Tangible Personal Property, the funding sources for the purchase of all such property shall be identified and all such property purchased in the performance of the Early Learning programs shall be listed on the property records of the ELC. The ELC shall inventory annually and maintain accounting records for all equipment purchased in accordance with OEL Program Guidance 240.02, relevant Florida Statutes, state rules, federal regulations and federal cost principles.
5. Based on Section 273.055, F.S., and Rules 69I-72.002, and 69I-73.005 F.A.C., when original or replacement equipment acquired by a subrecipient contractor is no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a federal agency, disposition of the equipment will be made as described below in 6.
6. The Office's policy concerning proceeds received from the sale of property with a current per unit fair market value up to \$5,000 is the net amount received from such sales will remain at the ELC level to be used in the same ongoing program. Funds from such sales will be treated as other program income in the same ongoing program(s). This type of income must be amended into a current year's program budget in which the sale occurred. It should then be reported in accordance with OEL Program Guidance 240.01. This identification of income is necessary to meet reporting requirements of the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Complete documentation for this type of income and expenditures must be maintained for monitoring and auditing purposes. If the ELC is no longer receiving funds for the particular project or program, the income from such equipment sales will be returned to the Office to be forwarded to the United States Department Health and Human Services.¹ Equipment that was initially purchased with federal funds with a current per-unit fair market value in excess of \$5,000, must be processed in accordance with 2 CFR §200.313(e)(2), *Equipment*, with the assistance and prior written approval of the Office.

¹ Upon termination of a project, and at the discretion of the Office, all equipment/property purchased with project funds will be transferred to the location(s) specified by the Office and all necessary actions to transfer the ownership records of the equipment/property to the Office or its designee, will be taken.

X. Purchase of American-made Equipment and Products

The ELC agrees that, to the greatest extent practicable, all equipment and products purchased with funds made available by this agreement will be American-made.

P. L. 103-333, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1995, § 507 – “It is the sense of the Congress that, to the greatest extent practicable, all equipment and products purchased with funds made available in this Act should be American-made.”

Y. System for Award Management (SAM)

Unless exempt from these requirements under OMB guidance at 2 CFR Part 25 (e.g., individuals), the Contractor must:

1. Be registered in SAM prior to submitting an application or Bid under this announcement. SAM information can be found at <https://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM/>.
2. Maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times during which it has an active Federal award or an application or bid under consideration by a Federal awarding agency, and
3. Provide a valid unique entity identifier in its application (e.g., provide its DUNS number in each application or bid it submits to the agency). Unique entity identifier means the identifier required for SAM registration to uniquely identify business entities.

Z. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 – (TVPA)

[Human Trafficking Requirements](#) are hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein. (22 U.S.C. 7104(g), as amended)

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AGENCY CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned applicant, hereby attest that the following policies, procedures, regulations, and documentation are in effect and agree to provide copies of the following within three working days of notification by the Coalition of intent to award the contract:

- Affirmative Action Policy
- Certified Minority Business Enterprises (if applicable)
- Small Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Policy (if applicable)
- Americans with Disabilities Policy
- Drug Free Workplace Policy

PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME AFFIDAVIT

I understand that a “public entity crime” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(l)(g), Florida Statutes means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any entity, agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including, but not limited to, any bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.

I understand that “convicted” or “conviction” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(l)(b), Florida Statutes means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime with or without adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment after July 1989, or as a result of a jury verdict, non-jury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

I understand that an “affiliate” as defined in Section 287.122, Florida Statutes means: A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime; or an entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term “affiliate” includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of the affiliate.

The ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm’s length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.

I understand that a “person” as defined in Section 287.133 Florida Statutes means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term “person” includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity.

Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies.)

___Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any officer, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, nor any affiliate of the entity have been charged and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

___The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989, and (Please indicate which additional statement applies)

___There were proceedings concerning the conviction before a hearing officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer did not place the person or affiliate on the convicted vendor list.

___The person or affiliate was placed on the convicted vendor list. There has been a subsequent proceeding before a hearing officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer determined that it was in the public interest to remove the person or affiliate from the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order).

___The person or affiliate has not been placed on the convicted vendor list. (Please describe any action taken by or pending in the Department of General Services).

ORGANIZATION'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

NOTE: AS EVIDENCED BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW, I UNDERSTAND AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED HEREIN:

Type Authorized Official's Name

Authorized Official's Title

Authorized Official's Signature

Date

Federal Employee Identification Number

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (PRIMARY)

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this Bid, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.
4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this Bid is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
5. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, Bid, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this Bid is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this Bid that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.
7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this Bid that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9,

subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and No procurement Programs.

9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

1. The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;
 - (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this Bid been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
 - (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/Bid had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.
2. Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this Bid.

Signature of Authorized Certifying Official

Printed Name and Title

Organization

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (LOWER TIER)

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this Bid, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this Bid is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, Bid, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this Bid is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this Bid that, [[Page 33043]] should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this Bid that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non procurement Programs.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge

and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility an Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this Bid, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this Bid.

Signature of Authorized Certifying Official

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE

The Pro-Children Act of 2001, 42 U.S.C. 7181 through 7184, imposes restrictions on smoking in facilities where Federally-funded children's services are provided. HHS grants are subject to these requirements only if they meet the Act's specified coverage. The Act specifies that smoking is prohibited in any indoor facility (owned, leased, or contracted for) used for the routine or regular provision of kindergarten, elementary, or secondary education or library services to children under the age of 18. In addition, smoking is prohibited in any indoor facility or portion of a facility (owned, leased, or contracted for) used for the routine or regular provision of federally funded health care, day care, or early childhood development, including Head Start services to children under the age of 18. The statutory prohibition also applies if such facilities are constructed, operated, or maintained with Federal funds. The statute does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment, or facilities where WIC coupons are redeemed. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity.

Signature of Authorized Certifying Official

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