



Suspension of Competition Acquisition Request

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1. Fully describe the product(s) and/or service(s) being requested.
The metropolitan Fresno CIT program consists of specially trained law enforcement officers and behavioral health clinicians, who co-locate and co-respond to behavioral health crisis calls for service dispatched by 9-1-1 operators. This collaboration allows FPD CIT officers and behavioral health clinicians to respond to calls in which there is a behavioral health need and provide compassionate, person-centered crisis intervention services within a secure scene. CIT staff will respond to the initial crisis, which allows FPD patrol officers to respond to incoming 9-1-1 calls, and provide post-crisis follow-up, referrals, and linkages.
2. Identify the selected vendor and contact person; include the address, phone number and e-mail address for each.
 - a. City of Fresno Police Department,
Lieutenant Brian Pierce 2323 Mariposa Street, Room 2075
Fresno, CA 93721 CIT@fresno.gov
3. What is the total cost of the acquisition? If an agreement, state the total cost of the initial term and the amounts for potential renewal terms.
Contract term July 1st, 2024 – June 30th, 2026, Contract Max \$75,800 MHSA PEI, FY 24-25 37,900\$, FY 25- 26 \$37,900.
4. Identify the unique qualities and/or capabilities of the service(s) and/or product(s) that qualify this as a Suspension of Competition acquisition.
The City of Fresno Police Department is able to offer rapid, on call emergency assistance with Behavioral health crisis, in conjunction with DBH and Contracted behavioral health staff. Accomplished through already existing first-responder infrastructure. Due to this the City of Fresno is the only provider capable of offering this type of service.
5. Identify from Administrative Policy #34 what circumstances constitute a Suspension of Competition.
 - In an emergency when goods or services are immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, welfare, or safety, or for the protection of County property.
 - When the contract is with a federal, state, or local governmental agency.
 - When the department head, with the concurrence of the Purchasing Agent, finds that the cost of preparing and administering a competitive bidding process in a particular case will equal or exceed the estimated contract amount or \$5,000 whichever is more.
 - When a contract provides only for payment of per diem and travel expenses and there is to be no payment for services rendered.
 - When obtaining the services of expert witnesses for litigation or special counsel to assist the County.
 - When in unusual or extraordinary circumstances, the Board of Supervisors or the Purchasing Agent/Purchasing Manager determines that the best interests of the County would be served by not securing competitive bids or issuing a request for proposal.
6. Explain why the unique qualities and/or capabilities described above are essential to your department.
The CIT program consists of specially trained law enforcement, officers and behavioral health clinicians, who co-locate and co-respond to behavioral health crisis calls for service dispatched by 9-1-1 operators. CIT staff are able to rapidly respond to the scene and provide crisis intervention, behavioral health assessments, community referrals and linkages, and short-term case management services, while keeping those on scene and the community safe. Time permitting, services also include community outreach, engagement, education, and prevention for those who are at-risk or potentially in need of behavioral health services.
7. Provide a comprehensive explanation of the research done to verify that the recommended vendor is the only vendor with the unique qualities and/or capabilities stated above. Include a list of all other vendors contacted, what they were asked, and their responses.
On March 6, 2018, the Board approved Agreement No. 18-074 with the City of Fresno to provide CIT services in the Fresno metropolitan area. The CIT program consists of specially trained law enforcement officers and behavioral health clinicians, who co-locate and co-respond to behavioral health crisis calls for service dispatched by 9-1-1 operators. CIT staff are able to rapidly respond to the scene and provide crisis intervention, behavioral health assessments, community referrals and linkages, and short-term case management.

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Requested By:

Title

I approve this request to suspend competition for the service(s) and/or product(s) identified herein.

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Department Head Signature

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