



**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Linda Stewart, Interim Director, Neighborhood and Community Services  
**COPY:** City Council, City Clerk, SBE Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and  
Cynthia Lewis, Finance/Purchasing  
**SUBJECT:** Tacoma Gang Reduction Project  
Request for Proposal Specification No. NC17-0137F, – August 15, 2017  
**DATE:** August 10, 2017

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**SUMMARY:**

Neighborhood and Community Services Human Services Division recommends a contract be awarded to Comprehensive Mental Health of Tacoma-Pierce County dba Comprehensive Life Resources (CLR), Tacoma, WA, in the amount of \$455,000.00, sales tax not applicable. With this contract, CLR will provide street outreach, individual/family and group counseling, mental health and substance use disorder treatment, case management and skill building services as part of a holistic intervention to reduce youth violence and transform the lives of youth in our community. The initial contract term is for September 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018 with the option to renew for up to three one-year terms.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.

**BACKGROUND:**

In 2010, the City adopted the Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention’s (OJJDP) Comprehensive Gang Model as a priority and sought assistance from the National Gang Center. In 2011, the City, in conjunction with community stakeholders, completed a comprehensive citywide assessment that provided the City with a better understanding of the nature and scope of the community’s gang problem. Using the framework of the OJJDP Model, the City implemented the Tacoma Gang Reduction Project in 2013. The Tacoma Gang Reduction Project followed the framework of the Model to coordinate multiple strategies of addressing youth violence and promoting youth involvement through 1) Community Mobilization, 2) Opportunities Provision, 3) Social Interventions, 4) Suppression, and 5) Organizational Change and Development.

In this proposal, staff recommends the City to continue to use the framework of the Comprehensive Gang Model and prioritize services in the areas of Community Mobilization, Opportunities Provision, Social Interventions, and Organization Change and Development. The Multidisciplinary Team Facilitator, Model Project Lead and Intervention Team will serve to implement and coordinate these identified priorities. The City’s approach to “Suppression” is managed by the Tacoma Police Department, Department of Corrections, Pierce County Juvenile Courts, and was not considered in the Request for Proposal. According to the Model, law enforcement plays a key role in suppression. Project partners together with law enforcement will work together to provide services and hold the targeted gang members accountable.

**ISSUE:** The purpose of the Request for Proposal is to establish one or more contracts with qualified entities and providers to implement and coordinate services around the prioritized strategies of the Tacoma Gang Reduction Project.



ALTERNATIVES: City Council may request Staff and the Selection Advisory Commission to conduct a secondary review of the recommendations or provide further guidance on funding allocation, should the proposed funding recommendations not be approved.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION: Request for Proposals Specification No. NC17-0137F was opened to the public on May 12, 2017 until June 13, 2017. The Request for Proposal process was organized and facilitated by the Senior Buyer in City of Tacoma Procurement and Payables Division. Sixty-six companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Two submittals were received.

<b>Respondent</b>	<b>Location (city and state)</b>	<b>Rank or Score</b>
Comprehensive Life Resources	Tacoma, WA	87.5
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Puget Sound	Seattle, WA	69.3

Pre-bid Estimate: \$455,000.00

The recommended award is 0 percent above or below the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SBE/LEAP COMPLIANCE: Not applicable.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Neighborhood and Community Services Department recommends a contract be awarded to Comprehensive Life Resources (CLR) to implement services around the following Tacoma Gang Reduction Project strategies: community mobilization, opportunities provision, social intervention and organizational change and development. CLR offers to leverage their resources and currently established partners to address the target population and offer mental health and substance use disorder, case management, housing, employment, and street outreach services. As the Model Project Lead, Model Project Facilitator, and a service provider, CLR will lead the coordinating and building of a system that collaborates with traditional and non-traditional stakeholders and service providers with the goal of improving outcomes and decreasing gang and youth violence in our community. Comprehensive Life Resources is offering their services at a discounted price saving the City \$123,011.00 over the 16 month contract term.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**EXPENDITURES:**

<b>FUND NUMBER &amp; FUND NAME *</b>	<b>COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)</b>	<b>COST ELEMENT</b>	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>
1185 – CRMJS – Criminal Justice	665000	5330100	\$138,000.00
1185 – MHCD –HRHS Mental Health	859200	5330100	\$100,000.00
0010 – NCS General Fund	91200	5330100	\$217,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$455,000.00</b>

\* General Fund: Include Department



**REVENUES:**

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1185 – CRMJS	665000	4335100	\$138,000.00
1185 – MHCD	859200	4313250	\$100,000.00
0010 – General Fund			\$217,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$455,000.00</b>

**FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$455,000.00**

**ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED?** Yes

**IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED.**

Expenses are budgeted and covered.