THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

DEPT: C	Community Services Agency	BOARD AGENDA #:	*B-15	
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AGENDA DATE: June 13, 2017

SUBJECT:

Approval to Award an Agreement with Maximus Human Services, Inc. for the Provision of Social Security Disability Insurance and Social Security Income Retirement Benefits Advocacy Services for Children in Foster Care

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

2017-304

No.

On motion of Supervisor _ Withrow	, Seconded by Supervisor <u>Olsen</u>
and approved by the following vote,	
Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Withrow, Monteith, and Vice	-Chairman DeMartini
Noes: Supervisors: None	
Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Chairman Chiesa	
Abstaining: Supervisor: None	
1) X Approved as recommended	
2) Denied	
3) Approved as amended	
4) Other:	
MOTION:	

PAM VILLARREAL, Assistant Clerk

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS AGENDA ITEM

DEPT: Community Ser	vices Agency		BOARD AGENDA #:	*B-15	
Urgent O	Routine 💿	1	AGENDA DATE: _Ju	une 13, 20	17
CEO CONCURRENCE:	phit		4/5 Vote Required:	Yes O	No 오

SUBJECT:

Approval to Award an Agreement with Maximus Human Services, Inc. for the Provision of Social Security Disability Insurance and Social Security Income Retirement Benefits Advocacy Services for Children in Foster Care

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Approve an agreement with Maximus Human Services, Inc. for the provision of social security disability insurance and social security income retirement benefits advocacy services for children in Foster Care, as a result of a Request for Proposal process for such services.
- 2. Authorize the Community Services Agency Director, or her designee, to sign the agreement, and any amendments up to \$25,000 with Maximus Human Services, Inc. to provide social security disability insurance and social security income retirement benefits advocacy services for children in Foster Care.

DISCUSSION:

On August 30, 2016 the Board of Supervisors authorized the General Services Agency (GSA) Purchasing Division to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) on behalf of the Community Services Agency for the provision of social security disability insurance and social security income retirement benefits advocacy services for children in Foster Care.

RFP 16-65-DQ was issued on December 14, 2016 and sent electronically to 1,052 vendors, 19 of which downloaded the RFP. A non-mandatory pre-proposal conference was held on December 21, 2016 and 1 vendor was in attendance. The RFP closed on January 20, 2017 and GSA received complete responses from the 2 vendors listed below:

- Maximus Human Services, Inc.
- Public Consulting Group (PCG) Human Services Boston

The proposers met the minimum qualifications set forth in Phase I of the Evaluation Phase, which included a financial review. A committee of 3 evaluators was selected to further evaluate the proposals. The Evaluation Committee was comprised of representatives from the County's Community Services Agency and Behavioral Health and Recovery Services.

The Evaluation Committee completed Phase II, which consisted of a review and evaluation of each proposer's qualification proposal along with the proposed budget. The scores of each member of the Evaluation Committee were averaged to determine the actual Phase II score for each finalist.

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Phase II	Total Points Available 100	Maximus Human Services Inc.	PCG Human Services
Total Average Points		98.00	86.0

Award was made to the vendor whose proposal best met the criteria set forth in the RFP and provides the best value to the County, with proposed budget and all other factors considered.

POLICY ISSUE:

Approval of the agreement with Maximus Human Services, Inc. as result of a Request for Proposal process allows the Community Service Agency to meet the County Purchasing Department's procurement guidelines. The guidelines state that non-professional contracted services that have reached a \$45,000 cumulative level and have not been competitively procured or those that have been previously competitively procured but have now reached the maximum three year term imposed in the California Department of Social Services Management and Office Procedure 23-621, shall be competitively procured.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the proposed agreement with Maximus Human Services, Inc. is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, and the amount will not exceed \$16,300. The Community Services Agency included appropriations and estimated revenue in the amount of \$16,300 in the 2017-2018 Proposed Budget for the provision of Social Security disability insurance and Social Security income retirement benefits advocacy services for children in foster care.

Expenditures associated with the proposed agreement with Maximus Human Services will be supported with Federal, State, and 2011 Realignment Child Welfare Services (CWS) revenue of \$13,855, and the County Match requirement of \$2,445 will be funded with 1991 Realignment revenue.

There will be no additional cost to the County's General Fund associated with this contract.

Cost of recommended action:			\$	16,300
Source(s) of Funding:				
Federal, State, and 2011 Realignment CWS	\$	13,855		
1991 Realignment	\$	2,445		
Funding Total:		-	\$	16,300
Net Cost to County General Fund			\$	-
Fiscal Year:	20	17/2018		
Budget Adjustment/Appropriations needed:		Νο		
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Fund Balance as of

N/A

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:

Approval of these requests supports the Board's Priorities of A Health Community, Effective Partnerships and Efficient Delivery of Public Services by contracting with a community provider to deliver services needed to enhance the lives of former foster youth in our community in a cost effective manner.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Community Services Agency staff is available to support this contract at current contract levels. In the future, should the service level demand increase, the Agency will analyze available options and return to the Board of Supervisors for consideration of any necessary staffing changes.

CONTACT PERSON:

Kathryn M. Harwell, Director (209) 558-2500

ATTACHMENT(S):

Maximus Human Services, Inc. Contract

AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF STANISLAUS COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY AND MAXIMUS HUMAN SERVICES, INC. FOR BENEFIT ADVOCACY SERVICES FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018

This AGREEMENT FOR INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICES (the "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the COUNTY OF STANISLAUS ("County") and **MAXIMUS HUMAN SERVICES, INC.** ("Contractor"), a corporation, and entered into as of the later of **July 1, 2017**, or the execution of the Agreement by both parties (the "Effective Date").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County has a need for Social Security Disability Insurance SSI/ SSA retirement survivor benefits advocacy for children in foster care; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is specially trained, experienced and competent to perform and has agreed to provide such services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, terms and conditions hereinafter contained, the parties hereby agree as follows:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. SCOPE OF WORK
 - 1.1 The Contractor shall furnish to the County, upon execution of this Agreement or receipt of the County's written authorization to proceed, those services and work set forth in EXHIBIT A, attached hereto and, by this reference, made a part hereof.
 - 1.2 All documents, drawings and written work product prepared or produced by the Contractor under this Agreement, including without limitation electronic data files, are the property of the Contractor; provided, however, the County shall have the right to reproduce, publish and use all such work, or any part thereof, in any manner and for any purpose whatsoever and to authorize others to do so. If any such work is copyrightable, the Contractor may copyright the same, except that, as to any work which is copyrighted by the Contractor, the County reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, and use such work, or any part thereof, and to authorize others to do so.
 - 1.3 Services and work provided by the Contractor at the County's request under this Agreement shall be performed in a timely manner consistent with the requirements and standards established by applicable federal, state and County laws, ordinances, regulations and resolutions, and in accordance with a schedule of work set forth in EXHIBIT A. If there is no schedule, the hours and times for completion of said services and work are to be set by the Contractor; provided, however, that such schedule is subject to review by and concurrence of the County.

2. CONSIDERATION

2.1 County shall pay Contractor as set forth in EXHIBIT A.

- 2.2 Except as expressly provided in EXHIBIT A of this Agreement, Contractor shall not be entitled to nor receive from County any additional consideration, compensation, salary, wages or other type of remuneration for services rendered under this Agreement. Specifically, Contractor shall not be entitled by virtue of this Agreement to consideration in the form of overtime, health insurance benefits, retirement benefits, disability retirement benefits, sick leave, vacation time, paid holidays or other paid leaves of absence of any type or kind whatsoever.
- 2.3 County shall not withhold any Federal or State income taxes or Social Security tax from any payments made by County to Contractor under the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Payment of all taxes and other assessments on such sums is the sole responsibility of Contractor. County has no responsibility or liability for payment of Contractor's taxes or assessments.
- 2.4 Pursuant to Penal Code section 484b and to Business and Professions Code section 7108.5, the Contractor must apply all funds and progress payments received by the Contractor from the County for payment of services, labor, materials or equipment to pay for such services, labor, materials or equipment. Pursuant to Civil Code section 1479, the Contractor shall direct or otherwise manifest the Contractor's intention and desire that payments made by the Contractor to subcontractors, suppliers and materialmen shall be applied to retire and extinguish the debts or obligations resulting from the performance of this Agreement.
- 2.5 Payment of all services provided in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement is contingent upon the availability of County, State and Federal funds.
- 3. TERM
 - 3.1 The term of this Agreement shall be from the Effective Date, **through June 30, 2018**, or until completion of the agreed upon services unless sooner terminated as provided below or by some other method provided for in this Agreement.
 - 3.2 Should either party default in the performance of this Agreement or materially breach any of its provisions, the other party, at that party's option, may terminate this Agreement by giving written notification to the other party.
 - 3.3 This Agreement shall terminate automatically on the occurrence of (a) bankruptcy or insolvency of either party, (b) sale of Contractor's business, (c) cancellation of insurance required under the terms of this Agreement, and (d) if, for any reason, Contractor ceases to be licensed or otherwise authorized to do business in the State of California, and the Contractor fails to remedy such defect or defects within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice of such defect or defects.
 - 3.4 This Agreement may be terminated by either party without cause when a thirty (30) day written notice is provided to the other party. Termination of this Agreement shall not affect the County's obligation to pay for all fees earned and reasonable costs necessarily incurred by the Contractor as provided for in Paragraph 2 herein, subject to any applicable setoffs.
 - 3.5 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, County may terminate the Agreement immediately:
 - A. Upon receipt of evidence of probable unsafe and/or hazardous practice in the provision of services; or,

- B. Upon loss of any license(s) required for lawful operation of Contractor's business; or,
- C. Upon an unauthorized decrease in the required insurance in force; or,
- D. Upon failure to make payroll payments; or,
- E. Failure to remit payroll deductions in a timely manner to the appropriate State and Federal government; or,
- F. Upon failure to substantially meet other financial obligations; or,
- G. Upon service or a writ of attachment by creditors of Contractor.
- 4. REQUIRED LICENSES, CERTIFICATES AND PERMITS

Any licenses, certificates or permits required by the federal, state, county or municipal governments for Contractor to provide the services and work described in EXHIBIT A must be procured by Contractor and be valid at the time Contractor enters into this Agreement. Further, during the term of this Agreement, Contractor must maintain such licenses, certificates and permits in full force and effect. Licenses, certificates and permits may include but are not limited to driver's licenses, professional licenses or certificates and business licenses. Such licenses, certificates and permits shall be procured and maintained in force by Contractor at no expense to the County.

Contractor shall comply with all local, state and federal laws and regulations.

5. OFFICE SPACE, SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, ETC.

Unless otherwise provided in EXHIBIT A, Contractor shall provide such office space, supplies, equipment, vehicles, reference materials and telephone service as is necessary for Contractor to provide the services identified in EXHIBIT A to this Agreement. County is not obligated to reimburse or pay Contractor for any expense or cost incurred by Contractor in procuring or maintaining such items. Responsibility for the costs and expenses incurred by Contractor in providing and maintaining such items is the sole responsibility and obligation of Contractor.

6. INSURANCE

Coverage Required: Contractor shall obtain, and maintain at all times during the term of this Agreement, insurance coverage in the amounts and coverage specified in the attached EXHIBIT B.

- 7. DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION
 - 7.1 To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the County and its agents, officers and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses, judgments, liabilities, expenses and other costs, including litigation costs and attorneys' fees, arising out of, resulting from, or in connection with the performance of this Agreement by the Contractor or Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors and resulting in or attributable to personal injury, death, or damage or destruction to tangible or intangible property, including the loss of use; provided, however, such indemnification shall not extend to or cover loss, damage or expense arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County or its agents, officers and employees.

7.2 Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold the County and its agents, officers and employees harmless under the provisions of this paragraph is not limited to or restricted by any requirement in this Agreement for Contractor to procure and maintain a policy of insurance.

8. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR

- 8.1 All acts of Contractor and its officers, employees, agents, representatives, subcontractors and all others acting on behalf of Contractor relating to the performance of this Agreement, shall be performed as independent contractors and not as agents, officers or employees of County. Contractor, by virtue of this Agreement, has no authority to bind or incur any obligation on behalf of County. Except as expressly provided in EXHIBIT A, Contractor has no authority or responsibility to exercise any rights or power vested in the County. No agent, officer or employee of the County is to be considered an employee of Contractor. It is understood by both Contractor and County that this Agreement shall not be construed or considered under any circumstances to create an employer-employee relationship or a joint venture.
- 8.2 At all times during the term of this Agreement, the Contractor and its officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors are, and shall represent and conduct themselves as, independent contractors and not employees of County.
- 8.3 Contractor shall determine the method, details and means of performing the work and services to be provided by Contractor under this Agreement. Contractor shall be responsible to County only for the requirements and results specified in this Agreement and, except as expressly provided in this Agreement, shall not be subjected to County's control with respect to the physical action or activities of Contractor in fulfillment of this Agreement. Contractor has control over the manner and means of performing the services under this Agreement. Contractor is permitted to provide services to others during the same period service is provided to County under this Agreement. If necessary, Contractor has the responsibility for employing other persons or firms to assist Contractor in fulfilling the terms and obligations under this Agreement.
- 8.4 If in the performance of this Agreement any third persons are employed by Contractor, such persons shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision and control of Contractor. All terms of employment including hours, wages, working conditions, discipline, hiring and discharging or any other term of employment or requirements of law shall be determined by the Contractor.
- 8.5 It is understood and agreed that as an independent contractor and not an employee of County, the Contractor and the Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors do not have any entitlement as a County employee, and do not have the right to act on behalf of the County in any capacity whatsoever as an agent, or to bind the County to any obligation whatsoever.
- 8.6 It is further understood and agreed that Contractor must issue W-2 forms or other forms as required by law for income and employment tax purposes for all of Contractor's assigned personnel under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 8.7 As an independent contractor, Contractor hereby indemnifies and holds County harmless from any and all claims that may be made against County based upon any contention by any third party that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Agreement.

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9. RECORDS AND AUDITS

- 9.1 Contractor shall prepare and maintain all writings, documents, and records prepared or compiled in connection with the performance of this Agreement for a minimum of five (5) years from the termination or completion of this Agreement or until such records and their supporting documentation are released due to closure of Federal/State audit, whichever is longer. This includes any handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostatic, photographing, and every other means of recording upon any tangible thing, any form of communication or representation including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols or any combination thereof.
- 9.2 Records shall be destroyed in accordance with California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Manual of Policy and Procedures (MPP) Division 23, Section 350.
- 9.3 Any authorized representative of County shall have access to any writings as described in section 9.1 above for the purposes of making audit, evaluation, examination, excerpts, and transcripts during the period such records are to be maintained by Contractor. Further, County has the right at all reasonable times to audit, inspect, or otherwise evaluate the work performed or being performed under this Agreement.
- 9.4 County shall have the right to audit all invoices and records of the Contractor related to this Agreement as required by State law. County may appoint an independent public accountant.
- 9.5 Contractor agrees that its financial records shall contain itemized records of all costs and be available for inspection in Stanislaus County within three (3) working days of the request by the County, state or federal agencies.
- 9.6 Monitoring by County may be accomplished by the following non-exclusive means: field reviews, audit claims, monthly review of records.
- 9.7 Contractor shall be responsible for the procurement and performance of an annual fiscal and compliance audit for each Contractor's fiscal years included in the term of this Agreement when Contractor's reimbursement exceeds \$75,000 per fiscal year.
- 9.8 Contractor receiving in excess of \$750,000 in Federal funds annually must comply with the Single Audit Act of 1984, PL 98-502 and the Single Audit Amendments of 1996, P.L. 104-156. All audits must be performed in accordance with Government Audit standards as set forth in the Guidelines for Financial and Compliance Audits for Federally Assisted Programs, Activities, and Functions, and the provisions of Title 2, Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 200 as this applies to the auditing of states, local governments, institutions of higher education and non-profit. Contractor shall notify the CSA Contracts Unit at <u>CSAReport@stancounty.com</u> within five (5) business days of having submitted their Single Audit to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse.
- 9.9 For Contractors who have biennial financial and compliance audits completed, the reports must cover both years within the biennial period.
- 9.10 The financial and compliance audit must be conducted in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and the statements must be prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.
- 9.11 Contractor shall include in the financial and compliance or Single Audit report the auditor's opinion and notes which indicates whether program expenditures are allowable pursuant

to the provisions of 45 CFR, Part 74, and all applicable State and Federal guidelines, policies and procedures.

- 9.12 Expenses incurred by Contractor to provide for the performance of a financial and compliance audit or Single Audit to satisfy said requirements are an allowable Agreement cost. Contractor is responsible for ensuring that the appropriate portion of audit costs are included with its total executed Agreement funds.
- 9.13 Contractor is responsible for submitting to County a financial and compliance audit report, prepared in accordance with section 9, within one hundred twenty (120) days of the end of the Contractor's fiscal year.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY

Contractor shall comply and require its officers and employees to comply with the provisions of Section 10850 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) and Division 19 of the California Department of Social Services Manual of Policies and Procedures to assure that:

- 10.1 Any and all information pertaining to the administration of public social services, for which grants in aid are received shall be confidential and shall not be open to examination for any purpose not directly connected with the administration of public social services.
- 10.2 No person shall publish or disclose, or use or permit, or cause to be published, disclosed or used, any confidential information pertaining to an applicant or recipient.
- 10.3 Contractor shall inform all of its employees, agents, subcontractors and partners of the above provision and that any person knowingly and intentionally violating the provisions of said state law is guilty of misdemeanor.
- 10.4 Contractor shall comply with the privacy and security safeguards agreement titled Medi-Cal Data Privacy and Security Agreement between the California Department of Health Care Services and the County of Stanislaus, Community Services Agency located at <u>http://www.stanworks.com/other-services/pdf/medi-cal-data-privacy-and-security-agreement.pdf</u>.

11. NON-DISCRIMINATION

During the performance of this Agreement, Contractor and its officers, employees, agents, 11.1 representatives or subcontractors shall not unlawfully discriminate in violation of any federal, state or local law, rule or regulation against any employee, applicant for employment or person receiving services under this Agreement because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical or mental disability including perception of a disability, medical condition, genetic information, pregnancy related condition, marital status, gender/sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age (over 40), political affiliation or belief, or military and veteran status. Contractor and its officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations related to non-discrimination and equal opportunity, including without limitation the County's non-discrimination policy; the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code sections 12900 et seq.); California Labor Code sections 1101 and 1102; the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352), as amended; and all applicable regulations promulgated in the California Code of Regulations or the Code of Federal.

- 11.2 Contractor shall include the non-discrimination and compliance provisions of this clause in all subcontracts to perform work under this Agreement.
- 11.3 Contractor shall have a formal process by which recipients of service shall have the opportunity to express and have considered their views, grievances, and complaints regarding Contractor's delivery of services.

12. ASSIGNMENT

This is an agreement for the services of Contractor. County has relied upon the skills, knowledge, experience and training of Contractor and the Contractor's firm, associates and employees as an inducement to enter into this Agreement. Contractor shall not assign or subcontract this Agreement without the express written consent of County. Further, Contractor shall not assign any monies due or to become due under this Agreement without the prior written consent of County.

13. WAIVER OF DEFAULT

Waiver of any default by either party to this Agreement shall not be deemed to be waiver of any subsequent default. Waiver or breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach, and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement unless this Agreement is modified as provided below.

14. NOTICE

Any notice, communication, amendment, addition or deletion to this Agreement, including change of address of either party during the term of this Agreement, which Contractor or County shall be required or may desire to make shall be in writing and may be personally served or, alternatively, sent by prepaid first class mail to the respective parties as follows:

To County:	County of Stanislaus	
	Community Services Agency	
	Attention: Contracts Manager	
	PO Box 42	
	Modesto, CA 95353	

To Contractor: Maximus Human Services, Inc. Attention: Lauren K. Fujioka, Director, Contracts & Legal Counsel 1891 Metro Center Drive Reston, VA 20190

15. CONFLICTS

Contractor agrees that it has no interest and shall not acquire any interest direct or indirect which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the work and services under this Agreement.

16. SEVERABILITY

If any portion of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction or if it is found in contravention of any federal, state or county statute, ordinance or regulation the remaining provisions of this Agreement or the application thereof shall not be invalidated thereby and shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that the provisions of this Agreement are severable.

17. AMENDMENT

This Agreement may be modified, amended, changed, added to or subtracted from by the mutual consent of the parties hereto if such amendment or change is in written form and executed with the same formalities as this Agreement and attached to the original Agreement to maintain continuity.

18. ADVICE OF ATTORNEY

Each party warrants and represents that in executing this Agreement, it has received independent legal advice from its attorneys or the opportunity to seek such advice.

19. CONSTRUCTION

Headings or captions to the provisions of this Agreement are solely for the convenience of the parties, are not part of this Agreement, and shall not be used to interpret or determine the validity of this Agreement. Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall not be construed against the drafter, but rather the terms and provisions hereof shall be given a reasonable interpretation as if both parties had in fact drafted this Agreement.

20. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

This Agreement shall be deemed to be made under, and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. Any action brought to enforce the terms or provisions of this Agreement shall have venue in the County of Stanislaus, State of California.

21. GENERAL ACCOUNTABILITY

- 21.1 In the event of an audit exception or exceptions, the Contractor shall be responsible for the deficiency resulting from the Contractor's non-compliance with program requirements.
- 21.2 In the event of any State hearings, cash grant award or lawsuit award resulting from Contractor's failure to perform as required by this Agreement, reimbursement shall be made to the damaged party by Contractor.
- 21.3 Any expenses the County incurs as a result of the Contractor's failure to perform as required by this Agreement are subject to recoupment by County through any form of legal action including withholding from payment for the services rendered under this Agreement.

22. CODE OF ETHICS

Contractor shall uphold the following Code of Ethics:

- Professional Conduct: Employees of Contractor shall abide by all applicable laws, regulations, policies and procedures in the delivery of all services. Professional staff of Contractor shall also abide by specific codes of ethics prescribed by the professional organizations which set standards for their profession.
- Quality of Service: Employees of Contractor shall promote the goals of the program, which includes enhancement of participant self-esteem, by providing quality service which demonstrates knowledge of the respect for participant needs.

- Respect and Courtesy: Employees of Contractor shall conduct all activities with respect and courtesy for participants.
- Propriety: Employees of Contractor shall not make use of their position or relationship with clients for personal gain.
- Positive Representation: Employees of contractor shall not behave in any manner that will bring discredit to his/her professional status and reputation or to the program.
- 23. COPYRIGHT ACCESS

County, CDSS, and the United States Department of Health and Human Services shall have a royalty free nonexclusive and irrevocable license to publish, translate, or use, now or hereafter, all material developed under this Agreement including those covered by copyright.

24. STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN

Contractor agrees to recognize the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency in the State Energy Conservation Plan Title 24, California Administrative Code, as required by the U. S. Energy, Policy and Conservation Act (P. L. 94165).

- 25. CONVICTION OF CRIME
 - 25.1 Contractor shall immediately notify County concerning the arrest and/or subsequent conviction, for other than minor traffic offenses, of any paid employee and/or volunteer staff assigned to provide services under this Agreement, when such information becomes known to Contractor.
 - 25.2 Contractor agrees not to knowingly employ any person convicted of any crime involving abuse, neglect, violence, or sexual conduct involving or perpetrated upon a minor, or an adult person or who has been convicted of any felony.
 - 25.3 Contractor shall establish a procedure acceptable to County to ensure that all employees or agents performing services under this Agreement report child abuse or neglect to a child protective agency as defined in Penal Code Section 11165.1 through 11165.6. Contractor shall require each employee, volunteer, consultant, subcontractor or agency to sign a statement that he or she knows of the reporting requirements as defined in Penal Code Section 11166(a) and shall comply with the provisions of the code section.
- 26. MATCHING FUNDS

These funds are not available for matching with federal, state, or local funds for this or any other Agreement unless certified by County.

- 27. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION-LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS
 - 27.1 County and Contractor recognize that Federal assistance funds shall be used under the terms of this Agreement. For purposes of this paragraph, Contractor shall be referred to as the "prospective recipient".

- 27.2 This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 29 CFR Part 98, Section 98.510, Participants' responsibilities. The regulations were published as Part VII of the May 26, 1988, <u>Federal Register</u> (pages 19160-19211).
 - A. The prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds certifies by entering this Agreement, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
 - B. The prospective recipient of funds agrees by entering this Agreement, that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the Federal department or agency with which this transaction originated.
 - C. Where the prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this Agreement.
 - D. The prospective recipient shall provide immediate written notice to County if at any time prospective recipient learns that its certification in section 27 of this Agreement was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
 - E. The prospective recipient further agrees that by entering this Agreement, it shall include a clause identical to section 27 of this Agreement and titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions", in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
 - F. The certification in section 27 of this Agreement is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by County when this transaction was entered into.

28. COMPLIANCE WITH FALSE CLAIMS ACT

- 28.1 Contractor shall notify County immediately upon discovery of any employee of Contractor, any subcontractor, agent or other persons providing services, on behalf of Contractor who are placed on the State's Medi-Cal Suspended and Ineligible Provider List. Any employee of Contractor, any subcontractor, agent or other persons providing services on behalf of Contractor, who is placed on the Medi-Cal Suspended and Ineligible Provider List shall not provide services to County under this Agreement. This list is available on the Internet at <u>www.medi-cal.ca.gov</u>.
- 28.2 Pursuant to Section 6032 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, Contractor shall communicate to its employees, subcontractors, agents and other persons providing services on behalf of Contractor the policies and procedures related to the Federal and State False Claims Act. Contractor shall be in compliance with the False Health Care Claims Policy approved by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors on May 8, 2007, located at <u>http://www.co.stanislaus.ca.us/BOS/Agenda/2007/20070508/B07.pdf</u> and that it and its employees, subcontractors, agents and other persons providing services on behalf of Contractor shall adhere to these policies and procedures.

29. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

- 29.1 This Agreement supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or in writing, between any of the parties herein with respect to the subject matter hereof and contains all the agreements between the parties with respect to such matter. Each party acknowledges that no representations, inducements, promises or agreements, oral or otherwise, have been made by any party, or anyone acting on behalf of any party, which is not embodied herein, and that no other agreement, statement or promise not contained in this Agreement shall be valid or binding.
- 29.2 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties or their duly authorized representatives have executed this Agreement on the day and year first hereinabove written.

COUNTY OF STANISLAUS COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY

By: Kathryn M.

Title: Director

MAXIMUS HUMAN SERVICES, INC.

By: 17tu Fuijoka

Title: Director, Contracts & Legal Counsel

Dated: 4/20/17

APPROVED AS TO FORM: COUNTY COUNSEL JOHN P. DOERING

PPAL By:

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COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

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MAXIMIUS HUMAN SERVICES, INC AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE BENEFIT ADVOCACY SERVICES FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018

Request for Proposal #16-65-DQ issued by Stanislaus County GSA Purchasing Division; the Contractor's responding proposal; Information for Proposers; General Conditions, as well as any plans, specifications, addenda, and any documents particularly required or provided (as may be applicable), all of which are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof (collectively, the "RFP"), together with this agreement, comprise the contract and all services provided hereunder shall be performed in accordance therewith. In the event there is a conflict between the terms and conditions set forth in the RFP, then in such case, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall prevail.

This Agreement is funded in whole or in part with Federal Funds and the contracted agency has been determined to have the role of a contractor per 2 CFR 200.330 (c) and is not subject to the Federal sub-recipient monitoring requirements.

I. SCOPE OF WORK:

Contractor shall provide advocacy services for Stanislaus County children in foster care with Social Security Disability Insurance (SSI)/Social Security Administration (SSA) retirement survivor benefits. These services shall be to children who are at least sixteen and one half (16 ½) years of age and adult SSI for children currently receiving SSI (upon reaching the age of seventeen and one half (17 ½) years of age and Non-minor dependents in Extended Foster Care who were not receiving SSI as a minor).

Contractor shall:

- A. Screen and file initial SSI Claims and/or Title II Social Security benefits within thirty (30) days of receipt of referrals for children currently in foster care and at least sixteen and one half (16½) years of age and Non-minor dependents who did not receive SSI as a minor.
- B. Assign all referrals to the SSI Advocate within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt. SSI Advocate shall review technical eligibility criteria, including income and resources.
- C. Screen each referral to address the specific case Social Security need. Cases shall be tracked, monitored and all supportive information shall be gathered to submit to SSA.
- D. Conduct telephone interviews with the caseworker to obtain key eligibility related information on the child, such as current placement (group care, foster care and so on), documentation impairments and child's level of functioning, treatment programs, and critical school information.
- E. Maintain direct contact with the child guardian/ caseworker and/or access to information that indicates potential eligibility, as the primary source of referrals for children that are age sixteen and one half (16 ½) years of age and non-minor dependents who did not receive SSI as a minor.
- F. File Adult SSI applications for children currently receiving SSI, upon reaching the age of seventeen and one half (17¹/₂) years of age.

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- G. Use data generated by the County as an additional source for the child that will be aging out of the foster care system and may be SSI eligible.
- H. Use a centralized project e-mail address, a one-page user friendly referral form, and an 800 phone number with direct extension and voice mailbox features.
- I. Document from date of referral through final disposition of the case using a database specifically designed to meet the County's needs. This tracking and monitoring system shall ensure that screening and filing for an application occur within a thirty (30) day period of time.
- J. Notify the referring County caseworker or supervisor and/or the child's attorney if concerns about the child's case arise when reviewing the case file for SSI.

II. APPLICATION PROCESS

A. Contractor shall prepare the application packet following the procedures developed and implemented by the Contractor. These procedures shall be designed to provide the most efficient and effective process for completing and submitting SSI applications to SSA. This process shall ensure that all potentially eligible SSI cases contain the necessary documentation to support an SSI application. The current procedures shall incorporate ideas and recommendations from both County and SSA staff. The SSI Advocate shall complete all relevant application forms as shown below.

Under 18 years	Over 18 Years of Age	
Case Cover Sheet	Case Cover Sheet	
Case Narrative	Case Narrative	
SSA-8000	SSA-8000	
SSA-11	SSA-11	
SSA-3820	SSA-3368	
SSA-1696	SSA-1696	
SSA-827	SSA-827	
SSA-821 – When appropriate		
Age Appropriate Function Report:		
I. SSA-3375		
II. SSA-3376		
III. SSA-3377		
IV. SSA-3378		
V. SSA-3379	• Tap	
VI. SSA-3373-BK		

B. Contractor shall determine if further supporting documentation is required to strengthen the initial application. When additional documentation is needed, the SSI Advocate shall contact the County caseworker, caregiver or other sources to obtain the information to complete the SSA Function and Disability reports. If Contractor identifies weaknesses in the supporting documentation, Contractor shall immediately advise the County caseworker, caregiver and/or school staff of the issue and provide recommendations for remedy. Contractor shall make contact wither by email or phone. All appropriate parties shall be involved throughout the process to ensure high-quality documentation to support the case. If the recommendations for remedy remain unmet, Contractor shall implement follow-up measures using strict guidelines and contact with County administrative staff to ensure timeliness and accuracy.

- C. Contractor shall review, collect, copy, and assemble documents needed for applications. The SSI Advocate shall communicate to each caseworker exactly what information that is required to be copied from the child's file. In most cases, the following information will need to be copied by the caseworker and forwarded to the SSI Advocacy Project:
 - Birth Certificate or Naturalization Certificate
 - Most recent court order establishing State custody/guardianship
 - Medical records within the last twelve (12) months
 - Psychological evaluations and therapy or counseling progress reports within the last twelve (12) months
 - School records within the last twelve (12) months
 - Additional reports or records that support the allegations and duration of disability within the last twelve (12) months
- D. Contractor shall complete the required application forms and the case shall be forwarded to the Project Manager for a Quality Assurance (QA) review. The Project Manager shall ensure all required forms are in the file and are complete and accurate, to support the initial application. Upon completion of the Project Manager's QA review, the file shall be sent to SSA.
- E. Contractor shall retain a copy of all forms, documentation and information. All of the information and documentation that is submitted to SSA for an eligibility determination shall be done in a confidential, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) compliant manner.
- F. Contractor shall notify the County caseworker when application/review decision (approval or denial) has been made and advise them if any further action or information is needed.

Upon receipt of any SSI eligibility determination information, the Contractor shall contact the County caseworker within three (3) days of the Contractor's receipt of the decision from SSA. If an SSI application is denied, the Contractor shall request a review of the file from SSA to decide if an appeal is warranted. After reviewing the file, the Contractor shall promptly contact the caseworker and/or child's placement to determine if there is any new medical information available or if there has been any change in the child' status. The Contractor shall review any new information and notify the caseworker as to further action, if any.

- G. Contractor shall retain a copy of all referrals received and all application packets submitted to SSA. The application packets include, but are not limited to, all completed SSA forms, medical documentation, school records, pertinent County forms and records, and SSA notices. All of the information and documentation that is retained by the Contractor and all materials submitted to SSA for an eligibility determination shall be handled in a confidential, HIPAA-compliant manner, based on the County's record retention guidelines referenced; Paragraph 10 as well as the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) guidelines.
- H. Contractor shall assess the need to re-file any denied application. As with initial applications, Contractor shall initiate, request and pursue appeals on behalf of the children whose applications were denied. Contractor shall continue to act as representative as

long as the child remains in foster care and is prepared to provide legal representation should an appeal reach the District Court level.

- 1. After receiving a denial determination, the Contractor shall review each claim and the denial packet to determine if evidence supports the denial reason. This process may require additional contact with the child's caregiver to obtain status updates. If the review indicates that the case is meritorious, the Contractor shall request reconsideration of the initial decision from SSA. If an appeal is not deemed appropriate, the caseworker shall be notified immediately and provided a brief rationale. If an appeal is pursued, the caseworker shall be contacted and may be asked to assist in obtaining additional documentation.
- 2. SSA requires the completion of specific forms for reconsideration requests. Contractor shall complete all relevant Reconsideration and Appeal Forms as shown below when appealing denied SSI applications on behalf of children in foster care.

Reconsideration	Administrative Law Judge Appeal
Case Cover Sheet	SSA-827
Case Narrative	Case Cover Sheet
SSA-561	Administrative Law Judge Hearing
SSA-3441	HA-501-U5
SSA-1696	SSA-3441

- I. If Contractor has determined an appeal fo the decision is appropriate, Contractor shall provide appropriate representation at all levels of appeal, including any legal representation should an appeal reach the District Court level.
 - 1. Contractor shall again review the grounds for denial and case file contents. For denials not clearly substantiated, the Contractor shall initiate, prepare, and pursue an Administrative Law Judge Hearing application packet. This includes, but is not limited to, preparation of the *HA 501-U5: Request for Hearing by Administrative Law Judge*. Contractor shall prepare and present additional forms describing the child's recent medical treatment, medications, work background for those age seventeen (17) and over, and Release of Information forms.
 - 2. Contractor shall use the database to monitor appeal requests, follow-up activities, and the final determination by SSA. Contractor shall thoroughly review each step of the reconsideration/appeal process to ensure achievement of quality assurance standards.
 - 3. Contractor shall track all appeals in the database, with follow-up contact when decisions are not forthcoming. Appeals shall be filed within thirty (30) days and caseworkers shall be notified when a decision has been reached.

III. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY:

- A. County agrees that Contractor's total liability to County for any and all damages whatsoever arising out of or in any way related to this Agreement from any cause, including but not limited to negligence, errors, omissions, strict liability, breach of contract or breach of warranty shall not, in the aggregate, exceed fees paid to Contractor.
- B. Int no event shall Contractor be liable for special, indirect, incidental, economic,

consequential or punitive damages, including but not limited to lost revenue, lost profits, replacement goods, loss of technology rights or services, loss of data, or interruption or loss of use of software or any portion thereof regardless of the legal theory under which such damages are sought even if Contractor has been advised of the likelihood of such damages, and notwithstanding any failure of essential purpose of any limited remedy.

IV. COMPENSATION:

Contractor shall be compensated for the services provided under this Agreement as follows:

- A. Costs:
 - 1. The maximum amount of this Agreement for the period July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, shall not exceed \$16,300. This amount shall purchase a combination of the following:

•	Application Completed and Filed to SSA	\$ 357.50
٠	Application Submitted to SSA Award Benefits	\$1,400.00
•	Medical Reviews	\$ 505.00
٠	Non-Medical Reviews	\$ 320.75

- 2. This is a fixed rate, per unit of service Agreement. One (1) unit of service equals an application completed and filed to SSA, application submitted to SSA Award Benefits, Medical reviews, and/ or non-medical reviews.
- B. Contractor shall make no charge to the recipient and shall collect no share of cost.
- C. This Agreement shall be effective July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.
- D. Contractor agrees that the costs to be charged to County for contracted services for the term of this Agreement includes all allowable Contractor costs, both indirect and direct, relative to this Agreement.
- E. Costs must comply with Federal grant reform and uniform guidance in Title 2, Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 200 Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. The changes included in Title 2, CFR 200 supersede and streamline requirements from several Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars. The circulars included are A-21, A-50, A-87, A-102, A-110, A-122 and A-133. All equipment purchased by Contractor must be depreciated in accordance with 45 CFR 95.705. All equipment, materials, supplies or property of any kind purchased from funds reimbursed or furnished by County under the terms of this Agreement shall be fully consumed or aged out in the course of the Agreement/program. County reserves the right to physically reclaim any/all such property at the conclusion of the Agreement in accordance with 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 74, Administration of Grants.
- F. County shall not be required to purchase any definite amount of services nor does County guarantee to Contractor any minimum amount of funds or hours.
- G. Invoices:
 - 1. For services provided in the months of July 2017 through April 2018, Contractor shall submit invoices, in a County specified format, within twenty (20) days

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following the end of service month. Invoices for service months of May and June 2018 are as follows:

May 2018 is due June 1, 2018 June 2018 is due June 8, 2018

Invoice requirements are subject to change and the Contractor shall be notified in writing.

2. Invoices shall be submitted to:

Stanislaus County Community Services Agency Attention: Accounts Payable Supervisor, E2A P.O. Box 42 Modesto, CA 95353-0042 (209) 558-2217 or <u>AccountsPayableTeam@stancounty.com</u>

- 3. Invoice shall include the following: type and date of service, number of units of service billed, service rate, client name and total due.
- 4. To ensure compliance with Federal and State regulations, County may require additional supporting documentation or clarification of claimed expenses as follows:
 - a. County Accounts Payable staff shall notify Contractor to obtain necessary additional documentation or clarification.
 - b. Contractor shall respond within forty-eight (48) hours with required additional documentation or clarification to avoid disallowances/partial payment of invoice.
 - c. All invoices containing expenses that need additional documentation or clarification not provided to County within forty-eight (48) hours of request shall have those expenses disallowed and only the allowed expenses shall be paid.
 - d. Contractor may resubmit disallowed expenses as a supplemental invoice only and must be accompanied by required documentation.
- H. Payments:
 - 1. If the conditions set forth in this Agreement are met County shall pay, on or before the thirtieth (30th) day after receipt of the invoice, the sum of money claimed by the approved invoice, (less any credit due County for adjustments of prior invoices). If the conditions are not met, County shall pay when the necessary processing is completed.
 - 2. County will not pay for unauthorized services rendered by Contractor or for the claimed services which County monitoring shows have not been provided as authorized.
 - 3. County retains the right to withhold payment on disputed claims.

4. Final payment under Agreement may be held until a termination audit is completed or until receipt of Contractor's annual narrative report

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EXHIBIT B

Insurance Required for Most Contracts

(Not for Professional Services or Construction Contracts)

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per incident or occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. Automobile Liability: If the Contractor or the Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors utilize a motor vehicle in performing any of the work or services under the Agreement Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury and property damage and transportation related pollution liability.
- 3. Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

If the contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the County requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

Application of Excess Liability Coverage: Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow form" over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

Additional Insured Status

The County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of **both** CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; **and** CG 20 37 if a later edition is used).

Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

Reporting

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County or its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers.

Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the County.

Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the County by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

Self-Insured Retentions

Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County. The County may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or County.

Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with California admitted insurers (licensed to do business in California) with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-VII, however, if no California admitted insurance company provides the required insurance, it is acceptable to provide the required insurance through a United States domiciled carrier that meets the required Best's rating and that is listed on the current List of Approved Surplus Line Insurers (LASLI) maintained by the California Department of Insurance.

Claims Made Policies

If any of the required policies provide claims-made coverage:

- 1. The Retroactive Date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
- 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of work.

Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the County with a copy of the policy declaration and endorsement page(s), original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the County before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

Subcontractors

Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that County is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors.

Special Risks or Circumstances

County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

Insurance Limits

The limits of insurance described herein shall not limit the liability of the Contractor and Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors. Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold the County and its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers harmless under the provisions of this paragraph is not limited to or restricted by any requirement in the Agreement for Contractor to procure and maintain a policy of insurance.

[SIGNATURES SET FORTH ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

APPROVED AS TO INSURANCE CONTENT:

Stanislaus County

Chief Executive Office – Risk Management Division

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