

Boulder County Purchasing 1325 Pearl Street Boulder, CO 80302

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL COVER PAGE

RFP Number:	7483-23	
RFP Title:	Reducing Health Disparities in the Latinx Population by Increasing Access to Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) Services	
RFP Questions Due:	August 4, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.	
Submittal Due Date:	August 18, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.	
Email Address:	purchasing@bouldercounty.gov	
Documents included in this package:	Proposal Instructions Terms and Conditions Specifications Insurance and W-9 Requirements Submittal Checklist Evaluation Criteria Sustainability Questionnaire Signature Page Sample Contract	



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PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Purpose/Background

The Boulder County Strategic Initiatives Division) is seeking to build capacity both internally and with community partners to support clients in successfully accessing behavioral health and related resources through a centralized navigation hub. We are seeking expertise engaging the Spanish-speaking community in Boulder County in a variety of capacities. The ideal applicant will have strong professional relationships with agencies serving the Spanishspeaking community leaders.

2. Written Inquiries

All inquiries regarding this RFP will be submitted via email to the Boulder County Purchasing Office at <u>purchasing@bouldercounty.gov</u> on or before 2:00 p.m. **August 4, 2023** A response from the county to all inquiries will be posted and sent via email no later than **August 9, 2023**.

Do not contact any other county department or personnel with questions or for information regarding this solicitation.

3. Submittal Instructions

Submittals are due at the email box <u>only</u>, listed below, for time and date recording on or before **2:00 p.m. Mountain Time on August 18, 2023**.

Vendors must answer whether line-item pricing information submitted with a bid is confidential or closely held.

<u>Please note that email responses to this solicitation are limited to a maximum of 50MB capacity.</u>

NO ZIP FILES OR LINKS TO EXTERNAL SITES WILL BE ACCEPTED. THIS INCLUDES GOOGLE DOCS AND SIMILAR SITES. ALL SUBMITTALS MUST BE RECEIVED AS AN ATTACHMENT (E.G. PDF, WORD, EXCEL).

<u>Electronic Submittals must be received in the email box listed below.</u> Submittals sent to any other box will NOT be forwarded or accepted. This email box is only accessed on the due date of your questions or proposals. Please use the Delivery Receipt option to verify receipt of your email. It is the sole responsibility of the proposer to ensure their documents are received before the deadline specified above. Boulder County does not accept responsibility under any circumstance for delayed or failed email or mailed submittals.

Email <u>purchasing@bouldercounty.gov</u>; identified as **RFP # 7483-23** in the subject line.

All RFPs must be received, and time and date recorded by authorized county staff by the above due date and time. Sole responsibility rests with the proposer to see that their RFP response is received on time at the stated location(s). Any responses received after due date and time will be returned to the proposer.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all responses, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, and to accept the proposal that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the Board and of the County of Boulder, State of Colorado.

Contractors and their employees, subcontractors, and agents must comply with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, ordinances, orders, and codes, as well as Boulder County policies, guidelines, and protocols.

<u>Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)</u>: Americans with Disabilities Act: If you need special services provided for under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please contact the Boulder County ADA Coordinator or Human Resources office at (303) 441-3525 as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for service delivery ahead of applicable due dates.



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. Proposers are expected to examine the drawing, specifications, schedule of delivery, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the proposer's risk.
- 2. Each proposer will furnish the information required in the Request for Proposals.
- 3. The Contract/Purchase Order will be awarded to that responsible proposer whose submittal, conforming to the Request for Proposals, will be most advantageous to the County of Boulder, price and other factors considered.
- 4. The County of Boulder reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received, and to accept any portion of or all items proposed if deemed in the best interest of the County of Boulder to do so.
- 5. No submittal will be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of proposals without the consent of the County Purchasing Agent or delegated representative.
- 6. A signed purchase order or contract furnished to the successful proposer results in a binding contract without further action by either party.
- 7. Late or unsigned proposals will not be accepted or considered. It is the responsibility of proposers to ensure that the proposal arrives at the purchasing email address prior to the time indicated in the "Request for Proposals."
- 8. The proposed price will be exclusive of any Federal or State taxes from which the County of Boulder is exempt by law.
- 9. Any interpretation, correction or change of the RFP documents will be made by Addendum. Interpretations, corrections and changes of the RFP documents made in any other manner will not be binding, and proposer will not rely upon such interpretations, corrections and changes. The County's Representative will not be responsible for oral clarification.

10. Confidential/Proprietary Information: Bids submitted in response to this "Invitation to Bid" and any resulting contract are subject to the provisions of the Colorado Open Records Act, 24-72-201 et seq., C.R.S., as amended. Any restrictions on the use or inspection of material contained within the bid or resulting contract should be clearly stated in the bid and contract itself. Confidential/proprietary information should be readily identified, marked and/or separated from the rest of the bid. Co-mingling of confidential/proprietary and other information is NOT acceptable. Vendors must answer whether line-item pricing information submitted with a bid is confidential or closely held. Bids that do not identify confidential/proprietary information may be released in their entirety. Pricing totals contained in a bid are not considered confidential.

The Boulder County Attorney's Office retains sole authority for determining whether the Colorado Open Records Act requires or permits Boulder County to disclose proposal or bid documents, or any information contained therein, pursuant to an open records request.

- 11. Boulder County promotes the purchase/leasing of energy efficient materials and products with low toxicity levels when availability, quality and budget constraints allow. Proposers are expected whenever possible to provide products that earn the ENERGY STAR and meet the ENERGY STAR specifications for energy efficiency with power management features enabled. Proposers are encouraged to offer products and equipment with post-consumer recycled-content materials. Products should be packaged and delivered with a minimum amount of recycled packaging that adequately protects the product but is not excessive.
- 12. Pursuant to Colorado law (House Bill 1292), in any bidding process for public works in which a bid is received from a non-resident bidder who is from a state that provides a percentage bidding preference, a comparable percentage disadvantage will be applied to the bid of that bidder. Bidders may obtain additional information from the Department of Personnel's website: http://www.colorado.gov/dpa/.



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SPECIFICATIONS

The Boulder County Strategic Initiatives Division) is seeking to build capacity both internally and with community partners to support clients in successfully accessing behavioral health and related resources through a centralized navigation hub. We are seeking expertise engaging the Spanish-speaking community in Boulder County in a variety of capacities. The ideal applicant will have strong professional relationships with agencies serving the Spanish-speaking community, as well as community leaders.

Goals and Objectives

The primary goal of this work will be to expand awareness about the centralized navigation hub within historically excluded populations including the Spanish speaking population in Boulder County, and those living in the rural mountain community. The intended systems-level change is to influence the health of underrepresented populations through increasing access to resources that improve mental, behavioral, and physical health. This project has three main objectives:

- 1. To connect people to social determinants of health resources in a culturally appropriate and meaningful way.
- 2. Provide resources to partnering agencies and community connectors to support clients and community members in accessing social determinants of health resources.
- 3. More formally integrate a centralized navigation hub into the larger behavioral health planning efforts within Boulder County, and the Community at large.

In interfacing with the community, the vendor will not have access to personal information, or health related information for clients. The vendor will only be sharing with the community information about how they can use the centralized navigation hub to connect to resources, without asking the client directly about the client's health information.

Success towards these objectives will be measured by:

- The number of people who report they would be likely to connect with a centralized navigation resource will increase through the duration of the grant year (July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024).
- 2. Number of hours of training and technical assistance provided and summarized outcomes of training and technical assistance.

3. The number of meetings with stakeholders involved in behavioral health planning efforts and summarized outcomes of these meetings.

Scope of Work

Attend meetings with County staff, and work collaboratively to:

- Co-create, with community connectors, engagement strategies and supportive resources that will build the community's ability to access social determinants of health resources.
 - Host sessions with partnering agencies and community members. The focus of these sessions will be to engage the community and build awareness about a centralized navigation resource intended to connect people with SDOH resources.
 - Support the county in building a strong infrastructure for accessing resources, for example distribute technology resources and provide training for community connectors to provide navigation support in the community.
 - Continuously identify community connectors from new partners and geographic regions to participate in this project.
- Support the development and refinement of a marketing plan to increase community awareness and utilization of the centralized navigation hub.
 - Support implementation of the marketing plan.
 - Conduct outreach to partnering agencies, community connectors and cultural brokers.
 - Disseminate culturally appropriate marketing material through the contractor's professional network, attendance at community events, resource fairs, and other online channels.
 - Provide individualized support and technical assistance to support community partners in meaningful use of the marketing plan.
- Solicit input, feedback, and recommendations from those involved in behavioral health planning efforts to integrate a centralized navigation resource into larger behavioral health and systems change efforts.
 - Develop a structured process for bi-directional information sharing with health navigators.
 - Implement priority strategies from Boulder County's Behavioral Health Roadmap.
- Develop and utilize strategies to continually assess community needs.
- Develop and utilize evaluation strategies to measure progress towards achieving objectives.

Outcomes, Deliverables and Reporting

- A community scale up strategic plan that will include utilization of a centralized navigation resource.
- A set of concrete recommendations for increasing connectivity within the behavioral health planning effort.
- Solidified partnership with at least two new agencies.
- A report summarizing challenges, successes, lessons learned, and recommended strategies for improvement. The report should also include:
 - Quantity of marketing materials disseminated.

- Number of events and meetings attended by community connectors trained by the contractor.
- Number of hours and sites where community connectors have a presence.
- Number of new partners or community connectors representing historically excluded populations who engage with a centralized navigation resource.

Budget Specifications

• This project shall not exceed a total cost of \$41,000 for the duration of the project (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)

Payment and Invoicing Requirements

- To receive compensation the contractor shall invoice Boulder County Community Services monthly within 15 days of the 1st day of the month.
 - Invoices shall detail the number of hours spent on the project, including dates for hours worked.
 - Supporting documentation for invoices shall include receipts for items purchased, invoices paid by the contractor, tracked to and from point and total travel distance for any mileage.

Contract Requirements

- All data and information collected or acquired shall be used solely for the purposes of this contract. The contractor and its subcontractors agree not to release, divulge, publish, transfer, sell or otherwise make known any such data to unauthorized persons without the express prior written consent of Boulder County or as otherwise required by law.
- Funds shall not be used on the following items:
 - Food and beverage expense for individual contractor
 - Costs of alcoholic beverages
 - Lobbying as defined in Colorado Revised Statues (C.R.S) 24-6-301 (3.5)(a)
 - Promotional items (water bottles, t-shirts, key chains, notepads, pens, trinkets).
 - Costs of entertainment, including amusement, diversion, social activities and associated costs
- Maintains no affiliations or contractual relationships, direct or indirect, with tobacco companies, owners, affiliates, subsidiaries, holding companies or companies involved in any way in the production, processing, distribution, promotion, sales or use of tobacco.

Contractor Qualifications

- At least ten (10) years of experience partnering with community agencies in Boulder County serving the Spanish-speaking population.
- Bilingual Proficiency. Must be fluent in both English and Spanish. Ability to effectively translate written materials, such as brochures, flyers, and informational documents from English to Spanish, and ability to provide interpretation during meetings, appointments, or presentations as needed.
- Cultural Competence. Demonstrate an understanding of culturally competent practices and strategies for effectively engaging with individuals with diverse backgrounds and identities.
- Outreach and Engagement. Have at least one year of recent experience conducting outreach and community engagement with the goal of promoting community awareness

of social determinants of health resources. This may include organizing community events, workshops, or meetings, and collaborating with local organizations and stakeholders to engage the target population.

- Resource Navigation. Possess a good understanding of the local resources available to the Spanish-speaking community in Boulder County. Have at least one year of recent experience supporting the community in resource navigation. This may include helping community members and other stakeholders understand available programs, services, and eligibility.
- Collaboration. Have experience establishing and maintaining collaborative relationships with local organizations, government agencies and other agencies.



INSURANCE AND W-9 REQUIREMENTS

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Commercial General Liability

This coverage should be provided on an Occurrence Form, ISO CG001 or equivalent, with Minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products Completed Operations Aggregate.

Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

Workers' Compensation must be maintained with the statutory limits. Employer's Liability is required for minimum limits of \$100,000 Each Accident/\$500,000 Disease-Policy Limit/\$100,000 Disease-Each Employee.

Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)

Professional liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Per Loss and \$1,000,000 Aggregate. Professional Liability provisions indemnifying for loss and expense resulting from errors, omission, mistakes or malpractice is acceptable and may be written on a claims-made basis. The contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

Additional Insured: Boulder County shall be named as an additional insured for General Liability as designated in this Contract. Additional insured shall be endorsed to the policy. Additional insured status will be required at the time a contract is executed.

THE ADDITIONAL INSURED WORDING SHOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: County of Boulder, State of Colorado, a body corporate and politic, is named as Additional Insureds.

Note that the above insurance amounts are the minimum required for this project. Proof of current insurance must be provided with your proposal in the form of a sample certificate. You are NOT required to include additional insured status until the time a contract is executed.

If you require a waiver of insurance requirements, you may request one in your response with an explanation.

W-9 REQUIREMENT

Provide a copy of your business's W-9 with your proposal.



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SUBMITTAL SECTION

The proposer's attention is especially called to the items listed below, which must be submitted in full as part of the PROPOSAL. Failure to submit any of the documents listed below as a part of your PROPOSAL, or failure to acknowledge any addendum in writing with your PROPOSAL, or submitting a proposal on any condition, limitation or provision not officially invited in this Request for Proposal (RFP) may be cause for rejection of the PROPOSAL.

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF YOUR PROPOSAL PACKAGE: Proposer will check each box indicating compliance:

INCLUDED	ITEM
	Name and Address of the Partners and Subcontractors if applicable
	An estimated project timeline with specified deliverables
	State your compliance with the Terms and Conditions in the Sample Contract
	contained in this RFP. Specifically list any deviations and provide justification
	for each deviation.
	Insurance Certificate
	W-9
	Sustainability Questionnaire
	Signature Page
	Addendum Acknowledgement(s) (If Applicable)

THIS QUESTION MUST BE ANSWERED AS PART OF YOUR BID PACKAGE: Proposer will answer Yes or No indicating compliance:

YES OR NO	ITEM
	Do you customarily keep line-item pricing information, such as the
	information being submitted with this proposal, confidential or closely-held?



EVALUATION CRITERIA

The proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee. The committee may request additional information from vendors or request interviews with one or more vendors. Final evaluation and selection may be based on, but not limited to, any or all of the following:

- Cultural Competence
- Related Experience
- Outreach and Engagement
- Collaboration

A scoring matrix with the order and priority of criteria to be used by the county in its evaluation and selection process is shown below:

Description	Points
Cultural Competence	30
Related Experience	20
Outreach and Engagement	30
Collaboration	20
Total Possible	100



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SUSTAINABILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

Company Name: _____ Date: _____

This questionnaire is applicable to firms that provide services as well as those that provide goods. Please answer the questions to the best of your ability.

1. What sustainability certifications does your business have? Please check the items that apply:

B-Corp
Green Business Bureau
Fair Trade USA
Green C Certification
None
Other - describe any other certifications your company has related to
sustainability.

2. Does your company have a sustainability vision/commitment/values statement or policy? Please check the items that apply:

	Our sustainability statement/policy describes our company's sustainability initiatives.
	We have formed an oversight committee to ensure the success of our sustainability policy.
	Our sustainability statement/policy describes how our company explores opportunities to
	work with communities, governments and non-governmental and professional organizations to help articulate, teach and advance the principles of sustainability.
	We are currently in the process of developing a sustainability statement/policy consistent with a commitment to promote environmental, economic, and social sustainability.
\square	None
	Other - Provide (or supply a link) your company's sustainability statement/policy.

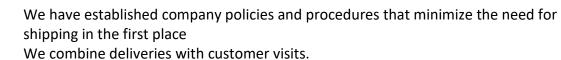
3. What policies are in place to monitor and manage your supply chain regarding sustainability issues? Please select all that apply:

\square	We apply sustainability criteria when making purchasing decisions.
	We partner with suppliers who share in our sustainability commitment and/or
	work with them to reduce the impact to the environment of our resource needs as
	well as improve worker conditions.
	We purchase "green" (i.e. recyclable, reusable, non-toxic, compostable, fair trade
	and made from 100% post-consumer recycled materials) supplies, products, and
	materials.
	We specify locally manufactured products in procuring goods.
	We specify products that use the Electronic Products Environmental Assessment
	Tool (EPEAT) standards in procuring goods.
	None.
	Other – describe other ways your company monitors and manages your supply
	chain concerning environmental issues.

4. Does your company promote sustainable transportation in its operations? Please select all that apply:

We own, rent, or lease electric fleet vehicles.
We own, rent, or lease hybrid or natural gas fueled fleet vehicles.
We encourage carpooling, public transportation, and using other alternative
modes of transportation.
We subsidize public transportation for employees.
We have an established Green Transportation Plan.
We are developing a Green Transportation Plan.
We offer flexible hours, telecommuting, or a compressed work week.
We utilize teleconference, video conference, WebEx or GoTo Meetings (or other similar conferencing services).
None
Other – describe other ways your company promotes sustainable transportation. If applicable, use this space to describe your company's Green Transportation Plan (whether existing or in development).

5. What does your company do to minimize the environmental impacts associated with shipping? Please check the items that apply:



We consolidate deliveries.

		We use bike couriers for local delivery. We utilize electronic communications and electronic transfer of documents, such as e-mail, fax and Portable Document Format (PDF). We specify products that can be purchased locally within a 500-mile radius of the delivery location in procuring goods. We are currently evaluating what the company can do to minimize the environmental impacts associated with shipping (must describe below; no additional points awarded for providing this description). Our packaging/shipping materials are reusable.
		Our packaging/shipping materials are made from 100% post-consumer recycled materials.
		N/A Other – describe what your company does to minimize the environmental costs associated with shipping. If applicable, use this space to provide required description(s).
6.	-	ompany ever been cited for non-compliance of any law, regulation, ordinance, standard, or policy regarding an environmental or safety issue? Please

check the item that applies:

No, my company HAS NOT been cited for non-compliance regarding an environmental or safety issue.

- Yes, my company HAS been cited for non-compliance of an environmental or safety issue.
 - N/A State the reason, date and outcome of the citation:
- 7. What programs do you have, either in place or currently being planned, to promote resource efficiency? Examples include energy or waste audit programs. Please check the items that apply:

	We have an established zero waste program.
	We utilize a facilities energy management system.
	We have adopted a climate action plan.
	We have a water conservation program.
	We have formed a sustainability committee to identify sustainable solutions for
	our company.
	We are a member of various sustainability organizations.
	We are recognized by peers and environmental organizations for providing
	leadership in
	Sustainability.
\square	None

		Other - what other programs do you have in place or planned for promoting resource. Efficiency?
 If your business's proposal involves the provision of a product, does the manufa product, whether your business or an outside entity, have a sustainability policy Please check the item that applies: 		whether your business or an outside entity, have a sustainability policy statement?
		No, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing DOES NOT have a sustainability policy statement.

Yes, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing HAS a sustainability policy statement.

Not applicable.

Provide Sustainability Policy Statement:

9. If your business's proposal involves the provision of a product, has the manufacturer of the product, whether your business or an outside entity, ever been cited for non-compliance of any law, regulation, ordinance, code, rule, standard, or policy regarding an environmental or safety issue? Please check the item that applies:

No, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing HAS NOT been cited for noncompliance regarding an environmental or safety issue.

Yes, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing HAS been cited for noncompliance regarding an environmental or safety issue.

Not applicable.

Provide reason, date and outcome of the citation:

10. If your business's bid/proposal involves the provision of a product, has an environmental lifecycle analysis of the product that you are proposing been conducted by a certified testing organization, such as Green Seal, Energy Star, and Cradle to Cradle? Please check the item that applies.

No, an environmental life-cycle analysis of the product that I am bidding/proposing
HAS NOT been conducted by a certified testing organization, such as Green Seal.
Yes, an environmental life-cycle analysis of the product that I am
bidding/proposing HAS been conducted by a certified testing organization, such as

Green Seal.
Not applicable.

Provide certification:



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SIGNATURE PAGE

Contact Information	Response
Company Name including DBA	
List Type of Organization (Corporation, Partnership, etc.)	
Name, Title, and Email Address of Person Authorized to Contract with Boulder County	
Company Address	
Company Phone Number	
Company Website	

By signing below, I certify that:

I am authorized to bid on my company's behalf. I am not currently an employee of Boulder County. None of my employees or agents is currently an employee of Boulder County. I am not related to any Boulder County employee or Elected Official. (Sole Proprietorships Only) I am not a Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA) retiree.

Signature of Person Authorized to Bid on Company's Behalf

Date

Note: If you cannot certify the above statements, please explain in a statement of explanation.

BOULDER COUNTY SAMPLE CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT ("Contract") is entered into by and between the Board of County Commissioners on behalf of the County of Boulder, State of Colorado, a body corporate and politic, for the benefit of the [Community Services Department] ("County") and [Supplier] ("Contractor"). County and Contractor are each a "Party," and collectively the "Parties."

In consideration of the mutual covenants contained in this Contract, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. <u>Incorporation into Contract</u>: The **Details Summary** is incorporated into this Contract. The **Contract Documents** are incorporated into this Contract by reference, except to the extent that the Proposal, if any is incorporated, contains any obligations placed upon County and not otherwise contained in this Contract.

2. <u>Work to be Performed</u>: Contractor will provide all labor and equipment and do all tasks necessary and incidental to performing the work as described in the **Details Summary** and **Contract Documents** (the "Work"). Contractor will perform the Work (a) in a good and workmanlike manner, (b) at its own cost and expense, (c) in accordance with recognized industry standards of care, skill and diligence for the type of work being performed, and (d) in strict accordance with the Contract.

3. <u>Term of Contract</u>: The **Contract Term** begins on the **Start Date** and expires on the **Expiration Date**, unless terminated sooner. All the Work must be performed during the **Contract Term**.

4. <u>Payment for Work Performed:</u> In consideration of the Work performed by Contractor, and subject to conditions contained in this Contract, County will pay an amount not to exceed the **Contract Amount** to Contractor in accordance with the **Contract Documents**.

5. <u>Invoicing</u>: Contractor will promptly provide a copy of its Form W-9 and invoice template to County upon request. Contractor must submit an invoice to the County by the fifteenth (15th) day of the month for completion of any Work performed in the prior calendar month. All invoices submitted require the following components: Contractor's name and address (submitted W-9 address must match remit address), detailed description of services, dates of services, itemization of labor and materials costs, "Bill to: Boulder County" language, payment remittance address, payer, name and address, date of invoice, unique invoice number, and total amount due. Contractor must send all completed invoices to the **Invoice Contact** in the **Details Summary**. County may require delivery of invoices by email. Failure to submit invoices in a timely manner and in accordance with the terms of this Contract may cause a delay in payment. County may recoup any damages incurred because of Contractor's failure to submit invoices of this paragraph. County's acceptance or payment of an invoice will not constitute acceptance of any Work performed under this Contract.

6. <u>Extra Time to Complete the Work (Additional Time only)</u>: If Contractor cannot complete the Work by the **Expiration Date**, Contractor may request extra time to complete the Work. County, in its sole discretion, may grant Contractor additional time to complete the Work by sending a written notice of extension to Contractor. An extension of time to complete the Work does not entitle Contractor to additional compensation from County.

7. <u>Extension of Contract Term (Additional Time and Work)</u>: Upon mutual agreement of the Parties, this Contract may be extended until the **Final End Date**. During any extended **Contract Term**, the terms of this Contract will remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise amended in writing by the Parties. Where the Contractor will provide additional services for additional compensation beyond the initial **Contract Amount**, the Parties must execute a written amendment before the then-current **Expiration Date**. If necessary, the written amendment will incorporate an updated

Scope of Work and updated Fee Schedule as exhibits. Contractor must provide a current Certificate of Insurance to the County that complies with the **Insurance Requirements** of this Contract, if any, prior to any extended **Contract Term**.

8. <u>Schedule of Work:</u> County may designate the hours (on a daily or weekly basis) during which Contractor may perform the Work, strictly for the purposes of minimizing inconvenience to the County and interference with County operations. Contractor will otherwise set its own work schedule.

9. <u>Indemnity:</u> Contractor will be liable for any damages to persons or property caused by or arising out of the actions, obligations, or omissions of Contractor, its employees, agents, representatives or other persons acting under Contractor's direction or control in performing or failing to perform the Work under this Contract. Contractor will indemnify and hold harmless County, its elected officials and appointed department heads, and its employees, agents and representatives (the "indemnified parties"), from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, damages, losses, judgments, costs or expenses, including attorneys' fees, which may be made or brought or which may result against any of the indemnified parties as a result or on account of the actions or omissions of Contractor, its employees, agents or representatives, or other persons acting under Contractor's direction or control. This indemnification obligation will extend to claims based on Contractor's unauthorized use or disclosure of confidential information and intellectual property infringement. County will not be obligated to indemnify or defend Contractor under any circumstances. Contractor's obligations under this provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract. Nothing contained in this Contract or the **Contract Documents** is intended to limit or restrict the indemnification rights or obligations of any Party under this provision, or damages available for breaches of the obligations herein.

10. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>: Contractor will comply with the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act, C.R.S. § 24-34-401, <u>et</u> <u>seq</u>., as amended, and all applicable local, State and Federal laws concerning discrimination and unfair employment practices. County prohibits unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, gender identity, national origin, age 40 and over, disability, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or any other status protected by applicable Federal, State or local law. Contractor must require that its subcontractors, if any, similarly comply with all applicable laws concerning discrimination and unfair employment practices.

11. <u>Information and Reports</u>: Contractor will provide to authorized County, State, and Federal government representatives all information and reports that may be required for any purpose authorized by law. Contractor will permit access to such representatives to Contractor's facilities, books, records, accounts, and any other relevant sources of information. Where information required by a representative is in the exclusive possession of a person or entity other than Contractor, Contractor must so certify to the County and explain what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

12. Independent Contractor: Contractor is an independent contractor for all purposes in performing the Work. None of Contractor, its agents, personnel or subcontractors are employees of the County for any purpose, including the Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the Colorado Workers' Compensation Act, the Colorado Unemployment Insurance Act, and the Public Employees Retirement Association. Accordingly, County will not withhold or pay any income tax, payroll tax, or retirement contribution of any kind on behalf of Contractor or Contractor's employees. As an independent contractor, Contractor is responsible for employing and directing such personnel and agents as it requires to perform the Work. Contractor will exercise complete authority over its personnel and agents and will be fully responsible for their actions.

13. <u>Termination</u>

a. <u>Breach</u>: Either Party's failure to perform any of its material obligations under this Contract, in whole or in part or in a timely or satisfactory manner, will be a breach. The institution of proceedings under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, by or against Contractor, or the appointment of a receiver or similar officer for Contractor or any of its property, which is not vacated or fully stayed within thirty (30) days after the institution of such proceeding, will also constitute a breach. In the event of a breach, the non-breaching Party may provide written notice of the breach to the other Party. If the breaching Party does not cure the breach, at its sole expense, as reasonably determined by the non-breaching Party in its sole discretion, within thirty (30) days after delivery of notice, the non-breaching Party may exercise any of its remedies provided under this Contract or at law, including immediate termination of this Contract.

b. <u>Non-Appropriation</u>: The other provisions of this Contract notwithstanding, County is prohibited by law from making commitments beyond the current fiscal year. Payment to Contractor beyond the current fiscal year is contingent on the appropriation and continuing availability of funding in any subsequent year. County has reason to believe that sufficient funds will be available for the full **Contract Term**. Where, however, funds are not allocated for any fiscal period beyond the current fiscal year, County may terminate this Contract without penalty by providing seven (7) days' written notice to Contractor.

c. <u>Convenience</u>: In addition to any other right to terminate under this Section 13, County may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, for any or no reason, upon seven (7) days' advance written notice to Contractor.

14. <u>Contractor Obligations upon Termination or Expiration</u>: By the **Expiration Date** or effective date of termination, if earlier, Contractor must (1) remove from County property all of its personnel, equipment, supplies, trash and any hazards created by Contractor, (2) protect any serviceable materials belonging to the County, and (3) take any other action necessary to leave a safe and healthful worksite. Any items remaining on County property after the Expiration Date or the effective date of termination, if earlier, will be deemed abandoned by Contractor.

15. <u>Payable Costs in Event of Early Termination</u>: If County terminates this Contract before the **Expiration Date**, Contractor's payments (and any damages associated with any lawsuit brought by Contractor) are limited to only (1) payment for Work satisfactorily executed and fully and finally completed, as determined by County in its sole discretion, prior to delivery of the notice to terminate, and (2) the reasonable and actual costs Contractor incurred in connection with performing the Work prior to delivery of the notice to terminate. Contractor explicitly waives all claims it may have against the County for any other compensation, such as anticipatory profits or any other consequential, special, incidental, punitive or indirect damages.

16. <u>Remedies for Non-Performance</u>: If Contractor fails to perform any of its obligations under this Contract, County may, at its sole discretion, exercise one or more of the following remedies (in addition to any other remedies provided by law or in this Contract), which shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract:

a. <u>Suspend Performance</u>: County may require that Contractor suspend performance of all or any portion of the Work pending necessary corrective action specified by the County and without entitling Contractor to an increase in compensation or extension of the performance schedule. Contractor must promptly stop performance and incurring costs upon delivery of a notice of suspension by the County.

b. <u>Withhold Payment Pending Corrections</u>: County may permit Contractor to correct any rejected Work at the County's discretion. Upon County's request, Contractor must correct rejected work at Contractor's sole expense within the time frame established by the County. Upon full and final completion of the corrections satisfactory to the County, County will remit payment to Contractor.

c. <u>Deny Payment</u>: County may deny payment for any Work that does not comply with the requirements of the Contract or that Contractor otherwise fails to provide or fully and finally complete, as determined by the County in its sole discretion. Upon County request, Contractor will promptly refund any amounts prepaid by the County with respect to such non-compliant Work.

d. <u>Removal</u>: Upon County 's request, Contractor will remove any of its employees or agents from performance of the Work, if County, in its sole discretion, deems any such person to be incompetent, careless, unsuitable, or otherwise unacceptable.

17. <u>Binding Arbitration Prohibited</u>: County does not agree to binding arbitration by any extra-judicial body or person.

18. <u>Conflicts of Interest</u>: Contractor may not engage in any business or personal activities or practices or maintain any relationships that conflict in any way with the full performance of Contractor's obligations.

19. <u>Notices</u>: All notices provided under this Contract must be in writing and sent by Certified U.S. Mail (Return Receipt Requested), electronic mail, or hand-delivery to the other Party's **Contact** at the address specified in the **Details Summary**. For certified mailings, notice periods will begin to run on the day after the postmarked date of mailing. For electronic mail or hand-delivery, notice periods will begin to run on the date of delivery. 20. <u>Statutory Requirements</u>: This Contract is subject to all statutory requirements that are or may become applicable to counties or political subdivisions of the State of Colorado generally, including but not limited to: C.R.S. § 38-26-107, which requires withholding funds where the County receives a claim for payment from a supplier or subcontractor of Contractor upon notice of final settlement (required for public works contracts that exceed \$150,000); C.R.S. § 8-17-101 et seq.; C.R.S. § 18-8-301, et seq.; and C.R.S. § 18-8-401, et seq.

21. <u>No Suspension or Debarment</u>: Contractor certifies, and warrants for the Contract Term, that neither it nor its principals nor any of its subcontractors are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this Contract by any Federal or State department or agency. Contractor shall comply, and shall require its subcontractors to comply, with subpart C of 2 C.F.R. § 180.

22. <u>Entire Agreement/Binding Effect/Amendments</u>: This Contract represents the complete agreement between the Parties and is fully binding upon them and their successors, heirs, and assigns, if any. This Contract terminates any prior agreements, whether written or oral in whole or in part, between the Parties relating to the Work. This Contract may be amended only by a written agreement signed by both Parties.

23. <u>Assignment/Subcontractors</u>: This Contract may not be assigned or subcontracted by Contractor without the prior written consent of the County. If Contractor subcontracts any of its obligations under this Contract, Contractor will remain liable to the County for those obligations and will also be responsible for subcontractor's performance under, and compliance with, this Contract.

24. <u>Governing Law/Venue</u>: The laws of the State of Colorado govern the construction, interpretation, performance, and enforcement of this Contract. Any claim relating to this Contract or breach thereof may only be brought exclusively in the Courts of the 20th Judicial District of the State of Colorado and the applicable Colorado Appellate Courts.

25. <u>Breach</u>: The failure of either Party to exercise any of its rights under this Contract will not be deemed to be a waiver of such rights or a waiver of any breach of the Contract. All remedies available to a Party in this Contract are cumulative and in addition to every other remedy provided by law.

26. <u>Severability</u>: If any provision of this Contract becomes inoperable for any reason but the fundamental terms and conditions continue to be legal and enforceable, then the remainder of the Contract will continue to be operative and binding on the Parties.

27. <u>Third-Party Beneficiary</u>: Enforcement of the terms and conditions and all rights and obligations of this Contract are reserved to the Parties. Any other person receiving services or benefits under this Contract is an incidental beneficiary only and has no rights under this Contract. Notwithstanding, where the beneficiary **Department** is led by an Elected Official, such Elected Official shall be considered a third-party beneficiary.

28. <u>Colorado Open Records Act</u>: County may disclose any records that are subject to public release under the Colorado Open Records Act, C.R.S. § 24-72-200.1, <u>et seq</u>.

29. <u>Conflict of Provisions</u>: If there is any conflict between the terms of the main body of this Contract and the terms of any of the **Contract Documents**, the terms of the main body of the Contract will control.

30. <u>Governmental Immunity</u>: Nothing in this Contract shall be construed in any way to be a waiver of the County's immunity protection under the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, <u>et seq</u>., as amended.

31. <u>Representations and Warranties:</u> Contractor represents and warrants the following:

a. Execution of this Contract and performance thereof is within Contractor's duly authorized powers;

b. The individual executing this Contract is authorized to do so by Contractor;

c. Contractor is authorized to do business in the State of Colorado and is properly licensed by all necessary governmental and public and quasi-public authorities having jurisdiction over the Work and the Contractor; and

d. Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, are financially solvent, able to pay all debts as they mature, and have sufficient working capital to complete the Work and perform all obligations under the Contract.

32. <u>Legal Compliance</u>: Contractor assumes full responsibility for obtaining and maintaining any permits and licenses required to perform the Work. Contractor is solely responsible for ensuring that its performance under this Contract and the Work itself will comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, ordinances and codes. County approval of the Work or any aspect of Contractor's performance, such as plans, designs, or other Contractor-drafted documents, shall not be interpreted to mean that Contractor has satisfied its obligations under this Section.

33. <u>Litigation Reporting</u>: Contractor is not currently involved in any action before a court or other administrative decision-making body that could affect Contractor's ability to perform the Work. Contractor will promptly notify the County if Contractor is served with a pleading or other document in connection with any such action.

34. <u>Tax Exemption</u>: County is exempt from payment of Federal, State, and local government taxes. Contractor shall collect no tax from the County, and the County shall not be liable to pay any taxes imposed on Contractor. County shall provide its tax exemption status information to Contractor upon request.

35. <u>Delegation of Authority</u>: The Parties acknowledge that the Board of County Commissioners has delegated authority to the Department Head or Elected Official that leads the beneficiary **Department** and their designees to act on behalf of the County under the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to the authority to terminate this Contract.

36. <u>Ownership of Work Product</u>: All work product, property, data, documentation, information or materials conceived, discovered, developed or created by Contractor pursuant to this Contract ("Work Product") will be owned exclusively by the County. To the extent possible, any Work Product will be deemed to be a work made for hire. Contractor unconditionally and irrevocably transfers and assigns to the County all right, title and interest in and to any Work Product.

37. <u>Publicity Releases</u>: Contractor will not refer to this Contract or the County in commercial advertising without prior written consent of the County. This provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract.

38. <u>Execution by Counterparts; Electronic Signatures</u>: This Contract may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which will constitute one agreement. The Parties approve the use of electronic signatures, governed by the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, C.R.S. §§ 24 71.3 101 to 121. The Parties will not deny the legal effect or enforceability of this Contract solely because it is in electronic form or because an electronic record was used in its creation. The Parties will not object to the admissibility of this Contract in the form of electronic record, or paper copy of an electronic document, or paper copy of a document bearing an electronic signature, because it is not in its original form or is not an original.

39. <u>Limitation on Public Statements and Lobbying Activity</u>. During the term of this Contract, Contractor may receive from the County its confidential data, work product, or other privileged or confidential information that is protected by law. To maintain the fact and appearance of absolute objectivity, Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the County, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, do any of the following: (a) disclose information obtained because of this contractual relationship to any third party; (b) lobby any State or Federal agency on any pending matter while this Contract is effective; or (c) make any public statements or appear at any time to give testimony at any public meeting on the subject matters regarding which Contractor is or was retained by the County. County may set reasonable conditions on any disclosure authorized by the County under this provision. Notwithstanding, Contractor may make disclosures as required by law, and to law enforcement officials in connection with any criminal justice investigation.

40. <u>Sustainability</u>: County encourages Contractor to consider the procurement and use of environmentally preferable products and services while performing services under this Contract. "Environmentally preferable purchasing" means making purchasing choices for products and services that have a lesser or reduced adverse effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products and services that serve the same purpose. Environmentally preferable purchasing is consistent with the County's commitment to protecting our air, water, soil, and climate for current and future generations. County encourages Contractor to incorporate the following actions into Contractor's performance of the Work: environmentally preferable supplies and services; conservation of water; efficient energy use; waste prevention; reuse and recycle construction and de-construction materials in a manner that maximizes reuse of materials; sustainable transportation choices, including consideration to business

communication software such as Skype alternative to air travel and public transit or carpooling for in-person meetings; pollution prevention; low toxicity for public health & safety; and reduced emissions to address climate change.

41. <u>Limitation of Liability</u>: COUNTY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO CONTRACTOR FOR ANY SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, OR INDIRECT DAMAGES ARISING FROM OR RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, REGARDLESS OF ANY NOTICE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. COUNTY'S AGGREGATE LIABILITY, IF ANY, ARISING FROM OR RELATED TO THIS CONTRACT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, OR IN TORT, OR OTHERWISE, IS LIMITED TO, AND SHALL NOT EXCEED, THE AMOUNTS PAID OR PAYABLE HEREUNDER BY COUNTY TO CONTRACTOR. ANY CONTRACTUAL LANGUAGE LIMITING CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE VOID.

42. <u>Legal Interpretation</u>. Each Party recognizes that this Contract is legally binding and acknowledges that it has had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel of its choice about this Contract. The rule of construction providing that any ambiguities are resolved against the drafting Party will not apply in interpreting the terms of this Contract.

43. <u>Insurance:</u> Prior to commencing the Work, Contractor will provide a Certificate of Insurance to the County demonstrating adequate insurance coverage as required by this Section. All policies evidencing coverage required by the Contract will be issued by insurance companies satisfactory to the County. Contractor will forward Certificates of Insurance directly to the **County Department** and **Contact** listed in the **Details Summary**.

a. <u>Boulder County as Additional Insured</u>: Boulder County shall be named as an additional insured for General Liability as designated in this Contract. Additional insured shall be endorsed to the policy.

THE ADDITIONAL INSURED WORDING SHOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: County of Boulder, State of Colorado, a body corporate and politic, is named as Additional Insured.

b. <u>Notice of Cancellation</u>: Each insurance policy required by this Contract shall provide the required coverage and shall not be suspended, voided or canceled except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to the County except when cancellation is for non-payment of premium, then ten (10) days' prior notice may be given. If any insurance company refuses to provide the required notice, Contractor or its insurance broker shall notify the County any cancellation, suspension, or nonrenewal of any insurance policy within seven (7) days of receipt of insurers' notification to that effect.

c. <u>Insurance Obligations of County</u>: County is not required to maintain or procure any insurance coverage beyond the coverage maintained by the County in its standard course of business. Any insurance obligations placed on the County in any of the **Contract Documents** shall be null and void.

d. <u>Deductible</u>: Any and all deductibles contained in any insurance policy shall be assumed by and at the sole risk of Contractor.

e. <u>Primacy of Coverage</u>: Coverage required of Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall be primary over any insurance or self-insurance program carried by the County.

f. <u>Subrogation Waiver</u>: All insurance policies in any way related to this Contract secured or maintained by Contractor as required herein shall include clauses stating that each carrier shall waive all rights of recovery, under subrogation or otherwise, against County, its organizations, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers.

g. <u>Requirements</u>: For the entire duration of this Contract including any extended or renewed terms, and longer as may be required by this Contract, Contractor shall procure and maintain at its own expense, and without cost to the County, the following kinds and minimum amounts of insurance to insure the liability risks that Contractor has assumed under this Contract:

Commercial General Liability

This coverage should be provided on an Occurrence Form, ISO CG001 or equivalent, with Minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products Completed Operations Aggregate.

Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

Workers' Compensation must be maintained with the statutory limits. Employer's Liability is required for minimum limits of \$100,000 Each Accident/\$500,000 Disease-Policy Limit/\$100,000 Disease-Each Employee.

Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)

Professional liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Per Loss and \$1,000,000 Aggregate. Professional Liability provisions indemnifying for loss and expense resulting from errors, omission, mistakes or malpractice is acceptable and may be written on a claims-made basis. The contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

[Signature Page to Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed and entered into this Contract as of the latter day and year indicated below.

SIGNED for and on behalf of Boulder County		SIGNED for and on behalf of Contractor
Signature:		Signature:
Name:		Name:
Title:		Title:
Date:		Date:
$\downarrow \downarrow$ For Board-signed documents only $\downarrow \downarrow$		
Attest:	Initials	
Attestor Name:		
Attestor Title:		