

Grant Solicitation Waiver

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Dept. Contact: Elisa Baeza, Contracts Manager		Email: elisa.baeza@sfgov.org	
Request: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> MODIFICATION		Grantee: RAMP LA	Supplier ID: 0000059409
Short Description of Grant: Transitional housing supports for one youth exiting secure commitment.			
Grant Amount: \$150,000	Grant Duration:	12 months initial term, with the option to extend the term and increase the not-to-exceed amount.	
Anticipated Dates: Actual dates TBD			
Describe the Public Purpose to be fulfilled by this Grant: The purpose of the grant is to provide one youth exiting secure commitment at the Juvenile Justice Center, as ordered by the court, with a highly structured, transitional housing program with other supports. This aligns with the department's objectives relating to public safety and youth rehabilitation. The services will benefit both the youth and the general public by investing in long-term community-based reentry solutions.			
Justification for Waiver of Competitive Solicitation Requirements Check the appropriate solicitation waiver reason and address the questions listed. Attach additional supporting documentation as indicated and/or as necessary.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION INFEASIBLE OR IMPRACTICABLE Is this grant required to respond to a public emergency or other exigent circumstances? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If YES , provide a description of the public exigency or emergency, need for the sole source Grant and period of performance, and impact on the Public Purpose if the sole source Grant is not approved. If NO , grant is <u>not</u> required to respond to public emergency or other exigent circumstance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Why is a competitive process infeasible or impracticable? ▪ Why is this the only entity that can fulfill this Public Purpose? What does the entity offer that is essential to fulfilling the Public Purpose? ▪ What steps were taken to verify that this is the only entity that can fulfill this Public Purpose? Has the department contacted other entities to evaluate their ability to fulfill the Public Purpose, and if so, describe the entities and explain why they cannot meet the department's needs. <p>Pursuant to SB 823 & 92 and WIC 875, SF JPD must provide less restrictive program opportunities to young people committed to a term of confinement at the Juvenile Justice Center. The RAMP LA program serves youth exiting secure commitment at the Juvenile Justice Center, as ordered by the court. This scattered site transitional housing program has homes across Los Angeles County including in Sherman Oaks, San Fernando, and Mission Hills. RAMP LA provides 24-hour on-site support and includes transportation, case management, life skills training, and credible mentorship, as well as connections to academic and vocational training opportunities. JPD has</p>			

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at least one young person in our SYTF who has identified Los Angeles County as their desired stepdown location in coordination with the court and their team (including defense, probation, and other trusted partners identified by the young person). This program was identified in collaboration with local providers in Los Angeles and the Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR) and JPD conducted a site visit with financial support from OYCR in late August 2025.

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Given JUV's responsibility to support clients in transition – we request a waiver from standard procurement requirements to issue a grant to RAMP to support this client.

Background:

The Department has made several attempts to secure reentry housing services through formal solicitations, but the resulting options often do not meet the unique needs of our youth. When a young person needs reentry housing and supports, staff must first weigh the program's safety, security, and ability to meet the youth's needs– it is not a one-size-fits all. In some cases, the available programs are not a good fit.

This situation is not unusual. The formal procurement process doesn't always lead us to options that match the specific needs of the youth. While some youths have been placed with existing contracted providers, those placements were short-term due to changing circumstances or unmet needs.

Summary of Prior Competitive Solicitation Efforts:

1. IS#JUV2023 (Issued 8/14/23)

One program was awarded a grant, but it was later canceled. The youth originally referred no longer met the program's criteria. The department was forced to explore new solicitation options.

2. RFQ#JUV2024-02 (Issued 3/26/24)

Three programs were pre-qualified for future youth referrals.

At the time, only one of the pre-qualified programs could meet the needs of a youth exiting the secure facility at the Juvenile Justice Center, and so a contract was issued. No other youth have qualified for any of the pre-qualified programs as of September 2025.

3. IS#JUV2024-01 (Issued 7/10/24)

Two programs were awarded grants and are currently providing services.

Despite our efforts, standard procurement processes haven't been successful in securing enough viable options for youth existing the secure facility at the Juvenile.

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☐ PUBLIC PURPOSE MAY REASONABLY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY ONE PARTICULAR GRANTEE

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c) Has the department contacted other entities to evaluate their ability to fulfill the Public Purpose, and if so, describe the entities and explain why they cannot meet the department's needs.

- Is this a recurring Grant to the same recipient? ☐ YES ☐ NO
- If **YES**: How long has this entity fulfilled this Public Purpose for the department?
- Has department conducted a formal or informal competitive process within the last five years demonstrating lack of other potential Grantees, pursuant to Admin Code §21G.8(b). ☐ YES ☐ NO
- Solicitation document(s), result(s), and other supporting documentation attached? ☐ YES ☐ NO

GRANT SOLICITATION WAIVER REQUEST IS RECOMMENDED BY:

Grants Officer (Dept Head) or Designee Name:

Verónica Martínez, Deputy Director of Administrative Services

Grants Officer (Dept Head) or Designee Signature:

Date:

11/1/2025

 for Verónica Martínez

For departments without board or commission, this Waiver request is approved by:

OCA Director (on behalf of Grant Consensus Committee):

Date: