



**ADDENDUM  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)  
SOCIAL SERVICES ENHANCEMENTS  
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS**

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**RFP: PAX0118**

**Addendum No: 1**

**Date of Addendum: June 12, 2014**

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This addendum is incorporating the following change, questions, and answers to the above-referenced RFP.

- 1.0 (Q) Attachment A includes "Transitional housing" with a fee per standard contact and non-standard contact, and then "Transitional Housing service" with a fee per day, per client, requested. Is the cost of the housing, such as a rent payment, included as an eligible expense under this grant, and if so, does it fit under the "Transitional Housing service" category?
- (A) Yes the fee includes the rent plus any additional services provided as part of the transitional housing.
- 2.0 (Q) Section 0600, item 2.6, The Solicitation seeks to address a "hard-to-reach" population with possible mental health problems, substance abuse problems, or both. Research and best practices have shown a "housing first" model with harm reduction to be successful when dealing with homeless individuals. For chronically homeless individuals, stable housing is an essential component of successful recovery. Requiring sobriety as a condition of receiving housing is antithetical to this model. Does this requirement mean sobriety in public areas and outside of the facility or is it intended to require sobriety as a condition of housing?
- (A) The City never had a transitional housing facility that permitted any alcohol or illegal drug use. Using alcohol or illegal drugs has traditionally been grounds for someone being discharged from the facility. The City presumed that anyone we put in transitional housing will be clean and sober at the time, or have been just released from a treatment facility into transitional housing or are willing to engage in intensive outpatient substance abuse treatment while being housed in a transitional housing facility.
- 3.0 ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

BY THE SIGNATURES affixed below, this Addendum is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the above-referenced Request for Proposal.

APPROVED BY:

Sai Xoomsai, Senior Buyer Specialist  
Purchasing Office

06/12/2014  
Date

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

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Vendor Name

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Authorized Signature

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Date

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