

AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF AND APPROVE PAYMENT FOR CTA FARE CARDS**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize the purchase of and approve payment for fare cards from the Chicago Transit Authority ("CTA") at a cost not to exceed \$72,992.75. The fare cards are required to provide transportation for Chicago high school students who participate in various Education-to-Careers programs listed below. No contract is required for this purchase. Information pertinent to this purchase is stated below.

SPECIFICATION NO. 04-250179

VENDOR: Chicago Transit Authority
Vendor #: 11976
Merchandise Mart Plaza
Contact Person: Mike Farrell
Phone: 312-664-7200

USER: Office of Education-to-Careers
125 S.Clark St. 12th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact Person: Jill Wine-Banks
Phone: 773-553-2460

DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE AND PROGRAMS:

The Chicago Police and Fire Fighters Training Academy (CPFTA) Program provides educational opportunities for approximately 425 students interested in careers in public safety. Fare cards are required to provide transportation for students to and from the Police and Fire Academies on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. **Amount: \$44,835.00**

The Hospitality Program provides approximately 1,426 students the opportunity to attend the Mayor's Showcase Dinner, Sanitation classes, Cultural Kitchen, C-Cap Competition, Work based learning, and service learning activities. **Amount: \$5,706.00**

The Law and Public Safety (LPS) Program is designed to introduce 60 students to careers in law, criminal justice, and corporate security. Fare cards are required to provide transportation for students to participate in State Mock Trials, internships and community service programs in fields related to law and public safety. **Amount: \$11,340.00**

The Architecture, Construction, and Engineering (ACE) Program is designed to enlighten and motivate students toward architecture, construction, engineering, and related careers. The program provides approximately 60 mentoring opportunities for students. Fare cards provide transportation for students to and from weekly team meetings with business partners. **Amount: \$1,148.00**

The Fashion Design Program is designed to introduce students to career options available in the fashion industry. Vocational ethics, transition skills, and workplace skills are integrated. Fare cards will be distributed to 45 students at all nine fashion design programs to participate in groundhog job shadow day and other mentoring opportunities. **Amount: \$303.75**

The Information Processing Program introduces students to business software applications. Fare cards provide 40 students a way to get to work experiences such as job shadowing, mentoring, and internships. **Amount: \$1,350.00**

The Information Technology introduces a wide variety of computer hardware and software applications. Fare cards provide 40 students a way to get to work experiences such as job shadowing, mentoring, and internships. **Amount: \$810.00**

The Finance Academy exposes students to the financial industry through partnerships with the Federal Reserve Bank and the Nat'l Association of Securities Professionals (NASP). Students participate in statewide competition (The Fed Challenge) that includes several training sessions and an after-school program (Wall Street Fast Track) that exposes students to the financial service industry. **Amount: \$500.00**

The Work Experience and Career Education Program (W.E.C.E.P.), a state approved work training program provides 350 14 and 15 year old students opportunity to explore various career options, develop leadership skills, improve self-esteem and gain skills needed for entry level employment. **Amount: \$7,000.00**

GOODS: Half-fare student transit cards at \$0.75 each.

QUANTITY: Varies as dictated by the number of students in program.

UNIT PRICE: Packs of 20 student transit cards are \$15.30 each.

TOTAL COST: Not to exceed \$72,992.75 for CTA fare cards

PURCHASE PERIOD: November 1, 2004 – October 31, 2005

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) this contract is *exempt* from review because the contract is a unique transaction

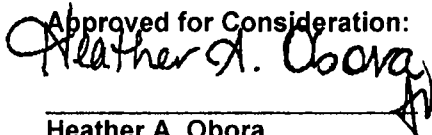
LSC APPROVAL: Not Applicable

FINANCIAL: Charge to: The Office of Education-to-Careers \$72,992.75 FY: 2005

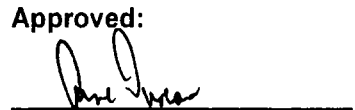
Chicago Police and Fire Fighter Training Academy (CPFTA) Program
Budget Classification: 0410-210-389-2682-5520 \$44,835.00

Hospitality Program
Budget Classification: 0410-269-210-2875-5520 \$5,706.00


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| Architecture, Construction, and Engineering (ACE) Program Budget Classification: 0410-269-210-2875-5520 | \$1,148.00 |
| Fashion Design Program Budget Classification: 0410-269-210-2875-5520 | \$303.75 |
| Information Processing Program Budget Classification: 0410-269-210-2875-5520 | \$1,350.00 |
| Information Technology Budget Classification: 0410-210-389-2160-5520 | \$810.00 |
| Finance Academy Budget Classification: 0410-210-389-7090-5520 | \$500.00 |
| W.E.C.E.P. Budget Classification: 0410-239-164-7915-5520 | \$7,000.00 |

Approved for Consideration:


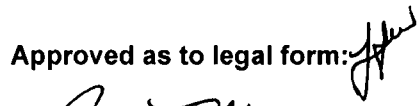
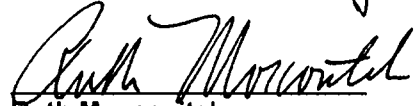
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