

**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO CHILDREN FIRST FUND: THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
FOUNDATION FOR SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF THE CPS SCORE! PROGRAM**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize payment to Children First Fund: The Chicago Public Schools Foundation (CFF), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization for services in support of the Board's elementary school sports program known as the CPS SCORE! Program. The Board of Education of the City of Chicago (Board) received a grant from the City of Chicago to support the SCORE! program and desires to make a subgrant to CFF in the amount of \$564,381.28 for Program expenses that have, or will be, incurred during the 2017-2018 and/or 2018-2019 school years.

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**VENDOR:**

- 1) Vendor # 37399  
CHILDREN FIRST FUND THE CHICAGO  
PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION  
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Ownership: Non Profit

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**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

The CPS SCORE! Program ("Program") is the official interscholastic athletic league for Chicago Public Elementary Schools. It's an out-of-school sports program offered to 5th through 8th grade students. Starting with an initial pilot program of three (3) CPS networks in the spring of the 2015- 2016 school year, the Program was fully implemented as the district's elementary sports program in the winter of the 2016-2017 school year.

CPS leverages public-private partnerships to provide coaches, equipment, uniforms, officials, transportation and site managers. With partners such as World Sport Chicago, Chicago Blackhawks, BMO Harris and Target, the Program is able to offer a variety of sports each season to all students. Students who register to participate practice a minimum of two (2) days per week with games played on

Saturdays in local high schools. High school site managers recruit high school students to serve as game day staff to assist with scorekeeping and scoreboard operation in return for service learning credit. The winter season consists of boys and girls basketball; the spring season consists of girls and boys track field, floor hockey, and girls' soccer; and the fall season consists of girls and boys cross country, girls' and boys' volleyball, and boys' soccer. The Program is run by CPS staff with assistance from the Chicago Park District, for additional coaches, officials and sites, as needed. The Program currently serves over 25,000 students from approximately 250 schools.

**OUTCOMES:**

The three (3) main objectives of the Program are to improve academic performance through sports participation, increase athletic participation by instituting a "no cuts/tryouts" policy and strengthen communities through greater parental/guardian involvement. To achieve its first objective, CPS works with the schools to confirm that students' grades, behavior and attendance are being monitored throughout the season to ensure that those students who are meeting academic requirements have the opportunity to participate. Our second objective allows for more student participation than the previous sports program. Allowing more student-athletes to be involved in their school's sports program creates the necessary access to learning and character development experiences that many of them would have gone without if it weren't for the CPS SCORE! program. And lastly, our third objective of strengthening communities is achieved by holding the majority of games on Saturdays at neighborhood high schools. This change of game schedule and location allows for more parent involvement, as well as giving neighborhood and community groups the opportunity to interact with students and families who will be attending the high schools once their children graduate from elementary school.

**COMPENSATION:**

Vendor shall be paid the sum of \$564,381.28.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, MBE/WBE provisions of the Program do not apply to transactions where the vendor providing services operates as a not-for-profit organization.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Charge to Sports Administration and Facilities Management Fund Unit 13737, Fund 324

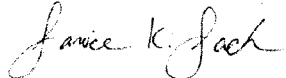
**CFDA#:** Not Applicable

Approved for Consideration:



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Approved:



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