



# Board of Education

Office of the Board  
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## Board Report

25-0227-PR5

**Agenda Date: 2/27/2025**

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### **AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH METROPOLITAN FAMILY SERVICES FOR BACK TO OUR FUTURE CONSULTING SERVICES**

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

Authorize a new agreement with Metropolitan Family Services to provide Back to Our Future Consulting Services to the Office of School Safety and Security at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Financial Section of this report. Vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-3. A written agreement for Vendor's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Vendor and no payment shall be made to Vendor prior to the execution of their written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification Number : 24-816

Contract Administrator : Sadowski, Brandon / 773-553-2280

#### **VENDOR:**

- 1) Vendor # 46701  
METROPOLITAN FAMILY SERVICES  
101 N. Wacker Drive  
CHICAGO, IL 60602

Sonny Thatch  
312 986-4000

#### **USER INFORMATION :**

Project

Manager: 10610 - School Safety and Security Office  
42 West Madison Street  
Chicago, IL 60602

Copeland, Toni  
773-553-3011

#### **TERM:**

The term of this agreement shall commence on March 1, 2025 and shall end on February 29, 2028. This agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:**

The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

The overall goal of Back to Our Future (B2OF), an ultra-high needs intervention program, is to re-engage youth ages 14 through 21 years that have been disconnected from district schools. The selected vendor for Back to Our Future Consulting Services shall act as an intermediary, working with the Chicago Public Schools, the City of Chicago, the Illinois Department of Human Services and sub-vendors to support the reengagement of disconnected youth. Ultimately, the vendor will provide support services and resources to help sub-vendors engage youth participants in intensive reengagement programming and connection to employment.

**DELIVERABLES:**

The vendor will:

1. Lead the subcontracting process in collaboration with CPS;
2. Develop and implement a learning community framework;
3. Ensure accountability for sub-vendors;
4. Support sub-vendors in capacity building; and
5. Support participant outreach, wrap around supports, and communication tools

**OUTCOMES:**

This program will help youth participants become less prone to violence and violent activity and reconnect them to the educational pathway that best suits the needs of each participant.

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:**

None.

**AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Safety and Security Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to the Remedial Policy for Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) participation in Goods and Services contracts, the contract is an excluded transaction, for the aspirational goals of 30% MBE and 7% WBE, as this agreement is for a Not-for-Profit organization.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Grant Funds, Unit 10615 - Safety and Security - City Wide,

FY25 - \$5,666,667

FY26 - \$8,500,000

FY27- \$8,500,000

FY28 - \$2,833,333

Not to exceed \$25,500,000 for the three (3) year term. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

The agreement shall contain general conditions including but not limited to the following: Inspector General provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1; Conflicts provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3; Indebtedness provision, in accordance with the Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 pursuant to Board Report 96-0626-PO3; Ethics provision, in accordance with the Board's Ethics Code as amended; and, Contingent Liability provision.

Approved for Consideration:



PATRICIA HERNANDEZ  
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



PEDRO MARTINEZ  
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 

RUCHI VERMA  
General Counsel