

Contra Costa Community College District

500 Court Street Martinez, CA 94553

RFP # 4CD-99

Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Release Date: March 3, 2023 Questions Due by: before 12 PM (PT), March 13, 2023 Proposals Due by: before 2 PM (PT), March 30, 2023

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SECTION I: INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Contra Costa Community College District (District) invites highly experienced firms to submit proposals for an Employee Assistance Program (EAP).

2. INTENT

It is the intent of these specifications, terms and conditions to describe an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) required by the Contra Costa Community College District for use by District employees and their dependents.

3. PROPOSALS SUBMISSION

A. Sealed Proposals are to be submitted to:

John Cook, Purchasing Department Contra Costa Community College District 500 Court Street Martinez, CA 94553

- B. Date/Time: Proposals shall be received before 2PM (PT), March 30, 2023.
- C. The face of the sealed envelope or box shall be clearly marked "4CD-99 RFP".
- D. A faxed proposal will not be accepted. Only mailed or hand- delivered, signed documents will be considered. The proposal must be in the possession of the District's Purchasing Department before 2:00 PM (PST) on the closing date. Late proposals will not be accepted and will be returned to the Contractor. The District will not be responsible for late delivery by U.S. mail or any other means. Proposals will NOT be opened at that time.
- E. Contractors must submit **one (1) original hardcopy and one electronic copy in Word or PDF format via flash drive**. DO NOT send the electronic copy by email. Each proposal received in response to this RFP shall remain the property of the District.

4. QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS RFP

Questions are due before 12:00 PM (PT), March 13, 2023. All questions regarding preparation, selection process, specifications and interpretations of the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall be submitted in writing by email (preferred) to John Cook Purchasing Department, JCook@4cd.edu or fax to (925) 370-6517.

5. TIMELINE The District reserves the right to modify the below schedule of events.

Request for Proposals release date: March 3, 2023

Questions Due by: 12 PM (PT), March 13, 2023

Proposals Due by: 2 PM (PT), March 30, 2023

Committee Review: April 3-7, 2023

Notify Shortlisted Firms: April 10-11, 2023

Interviews: April 17-21, 2023

RFP Award: April 28, 2023

Board Meeting: May 10, 2023

Contract Award: May 11, 2023

6. ACCEPTANCE PERIOD. Proposals are firm for a period of ninety (90) days.

7. ADDENDA/AMENDMENTS ACKNOWLEDGMENT. The District, at its sole discretion, may issue amendments / addenda to this RFP at any time prior to the time set for receipt of proposals. Interested parties should frequently check the District's website for such addenda at

https://webapps.4cd.edu/apps/purchasingviewbids/default.aspx

Each contractor shall acknowledge receipt of the addendum by signing the addendum/addenda and submitting it with the proposal. Failure to so acknowledge may result in the proposal being rejected as not responsive. The District shall not be bound by any representations, whether oral or written, made at a prequalification, pre-contract or site meeting, unless such representations are incorporated in writing as an amendment to the RFP or as part of the final contract.

8. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES. Every proposal must be signed by the person or persons legally authorized to bind the Contractor to a contract for the execution of this contract. Upon request of the District, any agent submitting proposals on behalf of a Contractor shall provide a current power of attorney certifying the agent's authority to bind the Contractor. If an individual makes a proposal, his or her name, signature and post office street address must be shown. If a firm or partnership makes proposal, the name and post office address of the firm or partnership and the signature of at least one of the general partners must be shown. If a corporation makes the proposal, the proposal shall show the name of the state under the laws of which the corporation is chartered, the name and post office address of the corporation and the title of the person signing of behalf of the corporation. Upon request of the District, the corporation shall provide a certified copy of the bylaws or resolution of the board of directors showing the authority of the officer signing the proposal to execute contracts on behalf of the corporation.

9. PUBLIC INFORMATION. Following the award of a contract, responses to this solicitation may be subject to release as public information unless the response or specific parts of the response can be shown to be exempt from public information. Contractors are advised to consult with their legal counsel regarding disclosure issues and take appropriate precautions to safeguard trade secrets and confidential commercial,

financial, geological, and geophysical data. The District assumes no obligation or responsibility for asserting legal arguments on behalf of Contractors.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY. If a Contractor believes that portions of the proposal constitute trade secrets or confidential commercial, financial, geological, or geophysical data, then the Contractor must so specify by, at a minimum, stamping in bold red letters, the term "CONFIDENTIAL" on that part of the proposal which the Contractor believes to be protected from disclosure. The Contractor must submit in writing specific detailed reasons, including any relevant legal authority, stating why the Contractor believes the material to be confidential or a trade secret. Vague and general claims as to confidentiality will not be accepted. The District will be the sole judge as to whether a claim is general and/or vague in nature. All offers and parts of offers that are not marked as confidential may be automatically considered public information after the contract is awarded. The Contractor is hereby notified that the District may consider all parts of the offer public information under applicable law even though marked confidential.

11. AWARD OF CONTRACT. Award of a contract will be made to the Contractor offering the most advantageous proposal after consideration of all Evaluation Criteria set forth below; however, the District will not be limited solely to the evaluation factors in making its final decision. The criteria are not listed in any order of preference. An Evaluation Committee will be established by the District. The District shall not be obligated to accept the highest commission, or any commission offered, and will make an award in the best interests of the District after all factors have been evaluated.

12. CANCELLATION OF SOLICITATION. The District may cancel this solicitation at any time.

13. INFORMED CONTRACTOR. The Contractor is expected to fully inform themselves as to the conditions, requirements, and specifications before submitting a proposal. Failure to do so will be at Contractor's own risk and they cannot secure relief on the plea of error.

14. INK OR TYPEWRITTEN. All information, prices, notations, signatures, and corrections must be in ink or typewritten. Mistakes may be lined through and corrections typed or printed adjacent to the mistake and initialed in ink by the person signing the proposal.

15. COST OF PREPARATION. The District is not liable for any costs incurred by Contractors before entering into a formal contract.

16. INDEMNIFICATION. Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the District and its Governing Board, officers, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all liabilities, costs, penalties, fines, forfeitures, demands, claims, causes of action, suits, and costs and expenses related thereto (including reasonable attorney's fees) which any or all of them may thereafter suffer, incur, be responsible for or pay out as a result of bodily injuries (including death) to any person or damage to any property (public or private), alleged to be caused by or arising from: (a) the negligent acts, errors, or omissions of CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's subcontractors, agents or employees; (b) any violations of federal, state, or local statutes or regulations arising out of or resulting from any negligent act, error or omission of CONTRACTOR or its employees, agents, or subcontractors; (c) the use of any copyrighted materials or patented inventions; or (d) CONTRACTOR breach of its warranties or obligations under this Agreement. The rights and obligations created by this indemnification provision shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

17. NOTICE OF SUIT OR ACTION FILED. The CONTRACTOR shall give the District immediate notice of any suit or action filed or prompt notice of any claim made against the District arising out of the performance of this contract. The CONTRACTOR shall furnish immediately to the District copies of all pertinent papers received by the CONTRACTOR. If the amount of the liability claimed exceeds the amount of insurance coverage, the CONTRACTOR shall authorize representatives of the District to collaborate with counsel for the insurance carrier, if any, in setting or defending such claim.

18. ATTORNEY FEES. In the event a suit or action is instituted in connection with any controversy arising out of this contract, the prevailing party shall be entitled to receive, in addition to its costs, such sum as the court may adjudge reasonable as to attorney's fees and costs.

19. PROHIBITED INTEREST. No Board member, officer, or employee of the Contra Costa Community College District or of a local Public Body during his/her tenure or for one year thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof. If any such interest comes to the knowledge of any party at any time, a full and complete disclosure of all such information will be made in writing to the other parties, even if such interest would not be considered a conflict of interest under Article 4 of Chapter 1 of Division 4 of Title 1 (Sections 1090-1097) of the Government code of the State of California.

20. REJECTION OF PROPOSALS. The District reserves the right to reject any or proposals or any part of the proposal and also to waive informalities, minor irregularities, or other requirements in our Request for Proposal and /or offers received, and/or to accept any portion of the offer if deemed in the best interest of the District. Failure of the Contractor to provide in its proposal any information requested in this RFP may result in rejection for non-responsiveness.

21. ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS OR OBLIGATIONS. Except as noted hereunder, Successful Contractor may not assign, transfer or sell any rights or obligations resulting from this solicitation without first obtaining the specific written consent of the District.

22. SUBCONTRACTORS. If a subcontractor will be used by CONTRACTOR to comply with any portions of this RFP, that fact must be stated in the proposal. The names of the subcontractors and their duties shall be specified.

23. CONTRACT INCORPORATION. The contract embodies the entire contract between the District and the Contractor. The parties shall not be bound by or be liable for any statement, representation, promise, inducement or understanding of any kind or nature not set forth herein or referenced herein. No changes, amendments, or modifications of any of the terms or conditions of the contract shall be valid unless reduced to writing and signed by both parties. The complete contract shall include the entire contents of this RFP solicitation, all addenda, all of Contractor's successful submittal; supplemental agreements and any and all written agreements which alter, amend or extend the contract.

24. FORMATION OF CONTRACT. Contractor's signed proposal and District's written acceptance or purchase order shall constitute a binding contract.

25. CONTRACT DOCUMENT. Certain contract language acceptable to the District covering all of the services specified in this RFP is detailed in Appendix C related thereto. No terms or conditions can be added or changed by CONTRACTOR after the proposals are received by the District. Attempts to change the terms or conditions specified after the proposals are received by the District may cause a proposal to

be rejected as non-responsive. CONTRACTOR may propose alternate and additional language to the terms provided, but are subject to negotiation and acceptance by the District.

26. FINAL CONTRACT. The following documents are considered part of the final agreement, in order of precedence:

A. The final agreement between the District and the CONTRACTOR(s);

B. All schedules, implementation plans, service descriptions, and the like developed during the RFP evaluation phase for inclusion in the Final agreement;

C. The CONTRACTOR proposal in total, including all addenda and attachments;

D. This RFP as originally released, with Appendices, Exhibits, and any addenda released prior to proposal opening;

E. RFP Response and any addenda released prior to opening.

The District may terminate any resulting Agreement(s) for convenience at any time by giving the CONTRACTOR written notice thereof. Upon termination, the District shall pay the CONTRACTOR his allowable cost incurred to date of termination, and those costs deemed reasonably necessary by the District to effect such termination. The effective date of termination shall be the date of Notice of Termination.

27. COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS. The Contractor warrants that it will comply with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract including, but not limited to, the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, the Williams – Steiger Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 and as amended; the State of California sales and use tax regulations; non-discriminatory employment practices under the Federal Equal Employment opportunity Clause prescribed by Executive order 112465 dated September 24, 1965 as amended. The District does not permit any person or entity using its facilities for commercial purposes to engage in unlawful discrimination.

28. LAWS GOVERNING CONTRACT. This contract shall be in accordance with the laws of the State of California. The parties stipulate that this contract was entered into in the County of Contra Costa, in the State of California. The parties further stipulate that the County of Contra Costa, State of California is the only appropriate forum for any litigation resulting from a breach hereof or any questions risen here from.

29. SEVERABILITY. If any provisions or portion of any provision, of this contract are held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, they shall be severed from the contract and the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

30. CONTRACTOR CONDUCT. During the RFP Window (from release of this RFP to Final award), CONTRACTOR is not permitted to contact any District employees or members of the Governing Board unless at the request of the District's designated contact person or to fulfill pre-existing contractual obligations. No gratuities of any kind will be accepted, including meals, gifts, or trips. Violation of these conditions may constitute immediate disqualification.

31. RFP COMPLIANCE, FORMS, AND CERTIFICATES

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

There are certain indemnifications and insurance provisions which must be included in the final agreement(s) with the District. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by statute and shall submit a certificate of such insurance with its RFP response. The District requires the following levels of coverage:

A. Commercial General Liability including personal injury and property damage in the amount of \$1,000,000 and \$5,000,000 aggregate;

B. Employer's Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000;

C. Professional Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000;

D. Automobile Liability, all automobiles, in the amount of \$1,000,000 for combined single limit

The foregoing insurance coverage plans shall be primary and non-contributing with respect to any other insurance which may be maintained by the District.

A. All policies, except for Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability and Professional Liability, shall be endorsed to include the Contra Costa Community College District as an additional insured and contain a Cross Liability or Severability Clause.

B. The Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability policies shall be endorsed to waive all rights of subrogation against Contra Costa Community College District.

C. The District does not represent or warrant that the types or limits of insurance adequately protect CONTRACTOR'S interest or sufficiently cover CONTRACTOR'S liability. Failure by CONTRACTOR to maintain the insurance coverage plans specified herein shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement.

D. Prior to commencing work, CONTRACTOR will furnish the District with properly endorsed certificates of insurance acceptable to the District which provide that the coverage will not be canceled or materially changed except upon thirty (30) days written notice to the District. All certificates must be faxed or emailed, followed by a hard copy "wet ink" signed original in the mail to: Contra Costa Community College District, Attn: Purchasing Department, 500 Court Street, Martinez, CA 94553.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVITS

Affidavits are required to be completed by the CONTRACTOR declaring that the proposal is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. Please see Appendix A.

AFFIDAVIT OF CONFIDENTIALITY AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR may designate selected portions of their proposal as confidential, such as proprietary information not publicly disclosed about their products/services. However, if a claim to release the confidential portion is made under the California Public Records Act, the District will notify the CONTRACTOR of such a claim but will not defend the CONTRACTOR's rights to privacy.

SECTION II: PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

32. PROPOSAL FORMAT

CONTRACTOR shall use the forms and formats used in the appendices and described herein. The use of other forms may be cause for rejection of the proposal. Every effort has been made to make the entry of this information as straightforward as possible, but in a format that can be fairly evaluated for inclusion in the RFP and in the order presented in this RFP. It is the intent of this RFP and the appendices to ascertain full and complete disclosure of all costs related to the successful implementation of the products and services requested. If there are additional costs or requirements which are not covered in the RFP and appendices it is the CONTRACTOR's responsibility to present that information during the RFP Window (the time following RFP release and the date the RFP Responses are due). Failure to disclose any of these costs in the RFP Response may constitute disqualification. All proposals should be submitted in the following format to enable the District to fairly evaluate and compare all proposals. Failure to follow this format may constitute disqualification.

33. LEGAL SPECIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR may wish to clarify their responses on the District contractual terms and conditions and their policies with respect to contract negotiations. A blanket rejection of all District Legal Specifications in lieu of CONTRACTOR standard contract forms may deem CONTRACTOR as non-responsive and may remove them from consideration.

The District's Legal Specifications are contained in a sample contract template in Appendix C. This reflects the terms and conditions necessary to be included in the Final agreement(s) for the products and services specified herein. These specifications are to be used as the basis for the Final agreement(s) but are negotiable. The purpose will be to standardize the evaluation of the CONTRACTOR agreements and to augment them where there are provisions required by the District that are not included in the existing CONTRACTOR agreements. The District requires that each of these specifications be addressed in the Final agreement(s) in essentially the language provided or some acceptable substitute language. The inclusion of the CONTRACTOR standard forms and/or boilerplate does not constitute a response to these Legal Specifications.

34. APPENDICES

The only official response to this RFP is what is submitted in the RFP and the appendices included within. Ancillary and supplemental comments will be considered in the evaluation, but cannot substitute or contradict responses in the RFP.

Appendix A – Non-Collusion Affidavit (Please submit with proposal)

This standard form is self-explanatory.

Appendix B – Contractor Profile Form & Designation of Names (Please submit with proposal)

This is the official signature page for the RFP Response and where pertinent information is identified. Please make sure to fill out the addenda/amendment acknowledgement portion at the bottom of the page, if it applies.

Appendix C – Professional Services Agreement (Sample)

Appendix D – Submittal Check-Off List (Please submit with proposal)

35. TERMS The District intends to award a three (3) year contract, subject to satisfactory performance, with option to renew, to the bidder selected as the most responsible bidder whose response conforms to the RFP and meets the District's requirements. The District anticipate the services that will arise out of this RFP to commence on July 1, 2023, subject to governing board approval.

36. SCOPE

The scope of the EAP programs shall encompass the provision of short-term counseling related to many of the emotional problems prevalent in society today. In some cases, these problems affect employee health, effectiveness on the job, and work attendance. Specific problems facing District employees include, but are not limited to, financial, drug and alcohol, health, death in family, illness of an elder relative or child, and the pressures and stresses of balancing work and family responsibilities.

In recognizing the problems employees face, the Contra Costa Community College District has established an Employee Assistance Program for employees. The function of the EAP is to see to the emotional, mental and psychological health of District employees and their dependents by providing access to outside counseling and referrals to appropriate community and professional resources for help in resolving problems.

37. BACKGROUND

The District consists of three colleges, two centers and the District Office: Diablo Valley College in Pleasant Hill, Contra Costa College in San Pablo, Los Medanos College in Pittsburg, Brentwood Center, San Ramon Center and District Office in Martinez.

EAP services are available to all full-time and part-time District employees and their dependents (any person who is permanently residing in the employee's household). The services include, but are not limited to, psychotherapists, social workers, family counselors, other medical and/or health practitioners, credit and financial counseling, 24-hour crisis telephone response, and substance abuse expertise/counseling. As of February 2023, the total number of eligible employees (full-time faculty, classified, managers/supervisors) was approximately 1,045.

38. MINIMUM CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS

Please describe how you meet the below minimum contractor qualifications. Contractor minimum qualification criteria include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Five (5) years of experience in providing satisfactory EAP services for accounts similar in size and scope to the District;
- 2. Possession of all permits, licenses and professional credentials necessary to provide EAP;
- Compliance with the Knox-Keene Act (http://www.dmhc.ca.gov/library/reports/licensing/Knox_Keene_license_Application_Rev-082912.pdf) or a letter of exemption from the State of California

39. DESIRABLE CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS

Please describe how you meet the below desirable contractor qualifications.

1. Five (5) years of experience in providing satisfactory EAP services for accounts similar in size and scope to the District;

40. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. The proposal shall be clear and concise.
- 2. Each proposal must include a brief (one page) profile demonstrating an established, successful track record of past performance in providing services closely related to the requirements specified in the RFP.
- 3. The proposal shall include a minimum of three (3) references that are similar to Contra Costa Community College District that are currently using or have previously used the contractor's services. The references should include at least two (2) prior customers who no longer obtain services with the contractor and at least two (2) current customers. Community College District references preferred.
- 4. Proposers are encouraged to describe in detail their EAP and services as related to each requirement detailed herein (#40 and #41) and (breakdown separately) any additional features or benefits related to the offering not specified in this RFP.
- 5. Proposal shall include samples of reports required under this contract.

41. SPECIFIC SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP)

1. Confidential Assessment and Counseling Services

- (a) Maximum of 10 sessions per issue in-person or telephonic consultations– per benefit year. In providing such services, the contractor shall assess and refer employees to obtain the appropriate care aimed at restoring their ability to perform their job duties at an acceptable level and to provide general assistance in connection with substance abuse or mental health problems.
- (b) Licensed, professional EAP counselors, experienced in providing EAP services, shall deliver confidential, in-person/telephone short-term, solution-focused assessments and counseling sessions for employees and their dependents who are experiencing life problems of any kind. These sessions shall be conducted in safe, private, and confidential settings. Dependent is defined as any person who is permanently residing in the subscriber's household and a fee is paid to the contractor for this person when using services.
- (c) Licensed professional EAP counselors shall be available in sufficient numbers and in appropriate locations to deliver both urgent and non-urgent services in a timely manner. Urgent requests for services shall be met within 24 hours and non-urgent request within two business days.
- (d) Provide counseling for problems related but not limited to: stress, family, work, grief, smoking cessation, alcohol & drug abuse, marriage & divorce, depression, parent-child relationships, child/spouse abuse, aging, eldercare, eating disorders, financial and credit problems, gambling, conflict resolution, serious illness/death of a family member, and mental health issues.

2. Substance Abuse Expertise

- (a) EAP providers shall have specific knowledge, training, and experience in the assessment and treatment of chemical dependency and other addictions.
- (b) When requested, contractor shall assist the organization in the development and implementation of policies, procedures, programs, and services that advocate and support a drug-free workplace.

3. Enhanced Work & Life Services

(a) Childcare Assistance

Telephonic consultation and referrals to childcare resources, including childcare centers and special needs providers.

(b) Eldercare Assistance

Telephonic consultation to assess healthcare needs, financial and legal concerns, living arrangements, etc., plus referrals to eldercare providers and residential facilities.

(c) Daily Living Services

Telephonic consultations and referrals to consultants and businesses that can help with everyday needs, including pet care, landscaping, auto repair, home maintenance, travel, alternative medicine, nutrition and fitness, household services.

(d) Financial Services

Financial counselors who offer educational and consultative assistance by telephone to help Members with an array of financial concerns. Service should include credit counseling, debt and budgeting assistance, and financial planning for college and retirement planning. Service will not include investment advice, loans and bill payments.

(e) Legal Services

Telephonic consultations or in-person office visits with a network attorney or mediator for issues relating to civil, consumer, personal and family law, financial matters, real estate, estate planning and more. Plan will include a discount on rates if the legal consultant is hired for additional services. Service will exclude certain specialized legal areas including labor and employment law, or disputes or actions between covered persons and employer or EAP contractor.

(f) Identity Theft Recovery Services

Telephonic consultation with a fraud resolution specialist who will help the Member to determine if they were a victim of identity theft and recommend options on how to place fraud alerts, freeze credit, file police reports, and conduct other activities necessary to resolve fraud.

4. Health and Wellness/Coaching and Resources (Desirable):

- (a) Contractor will provide online member website to assess the health of the employees and give tips for living better, track progress towards wellness goals, take advantage of interactive e-learning programs, and find articles and videos about health topics.
- (b) Contractor will provide a phone number for employees to learn more about the wellness coaching services, which is a personalized support to help the employees set and reach their wellness goals.
- (c) Coaching services should include:

- Nutrition and Weight Management
- Smoking Cessation
- Fitness and Exercise
- Stress Management
- Overall Lifestyle Improvement
- Support for Chronic Conditions, such as asthma, diabetes, and cardiovascular disease

5. 24-Hour Crisis Telephone Response

(a) Professional EAP counselors shall provide live, immediate, crisis telephone counseling 24 hours per day, seven (7) days a week. A toll-free number shall be provided to employees.

6. Critical Incident Counseling

(a) Contractor will be required to conduct on-site Critical Incident Counseling (CIC) following a traumatic event in the workplace. Please include twenty (20) hours in rate quotation.

7. Guaranteed Confidential Recordkeeping

(a) Contractor shall provide guaranteed complete privacy and protection for EAP client records. EAP records and all related private health information shall be maintained in accordance with all State and Federal laws and Employee Assistance Professionals Association (EAPA) guidelines. Ongoing training shall be provided for the provider network on confidentiality practices.

8. EAP Communication/Awareness

- (a) Contractor shall provide a minimum of twelve (12) educational training hours (includes meeting with employee work groups) per contract year in subject areas including, but not limited to, fitness, nutrition, stress management, and wellness.
- (b) Contractor shall provide a variety of printed materials (e.g. posters, brochures and wallet cards), online services, mobile apps, newsletters, and meetings with employee work groups to maximize awareness in the workplace and promote easy access to EAP services and support.
- (c) Contractor shall participate in a minimum of six (6) District events every calendar year that could include two Benefit Fairs (i.e. JobLinks and UF Benefits Fair) and four open enrollment sessions (one per location) at no additional charge.

9. Management Communication and Consultation

- (a) Contractor shall provide individual consultation to managers and supervisors, as needed, regarding the management and referral of employees with job performance or behavioral/medical problems to the program. Behavioral/medical problems may include but are not limited to anger management, drug related problems and alcohol.
- (b) Contractor shall provide on and offsite assistance, as needed, with management referrals for employees involved in workplace conflicts, return-to-work conferences and other identified needs of the workplace.

(c) Contractor shall provide comprehensive organizational development training, as requested, for managers and supervisors regarding use of effective management skills in the workplace. Training may be delivered in a variety of formats. Include three (3) hours in rate quotation.

10. Transition Planning

(a) If applicable, Contractor shall provide a transition plan for services that are in progress at the time of the changeover from the existing employee assistance provider to the new service provider.

11. Deliverables/Reports

- (a) Contractor shall provide Annual and Periodic Utilization Reports for the EAP.
- (b) Contractor shall provide quarterly customer satisfaction data reports for the EAP.

42. COST

This section should declare CONTRACTOR's preference for payment method and billing. The term of the contract shall begin after approval by the Board of Trustees and shall not exceed five (5) years. The actual term of the contract is subject to successful negotiations between CONTRACTOR and District. The only source of income, revenue, or compensation in connection with District account is the annual service fee paid to CONTRACTOR by District. Costs for trainings, meetings with employee work groups, or college administrators should be built into the contract. Any other source of income or benefit, including revenue, consideration, and /or commissions received by CONTRACTOR in connection with any District account must be disclosed.

Employee Assistance Program

Employee Group	Number of Sessions	Cost per session (in-person or telephonic consultation)	Billing cycle (monthly)
Active Employee			
(to include			
dependents)			
COBRA			
Subscribers (to			
include dependents)			
Retirees (to include			
dependents)			
Catastrophic			
Events (requiring			
more than twenty			
(20) hours of			
counseling at			
workplace site)			

43. EVALUATION

The District Evaluation Committee will review the proposals and determine those that are responsive and responsible. The total points possible for each response to this RFP will be allotted as outlined in the evaluation criteria.

The evaluation criteria include, but are not limited to the following:

- A. Relevant Experience
- B. Requirements Submission
- C. Cost
- D. References
- E. Understanding of the Project
- F. Completeness of Response

END OF BID DOCUMENT

Appendix A "Non-Collusion Affidavit" To Be Executed By Contractor And Submitted With Proposal

State of California County of

, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he or she is of the party making the foregoing proposal that the proposal is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any disclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation; that the proposal is genuine and not collusive or sham; that the contractor has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other contractor to put in a false or sham proposal, and has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any contractor or anyone else to put in a sham proposal, or that anyone shall refrain from bidding; that the contractor has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the proposal price of the contractor or any other contractor, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the proposal price, or of that of any other contractor, or to secure any advantage against the public body awarding the contract of anyone interested in the proposed contract; that all statements contained in the proposal are true; and further, that the contractor has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her proposal price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, or paid, and will not pay, any fee to any corporation, partnership, company association, organization, proposal depository, or to any member or agent thereof to effectuate a collusive or sham proposal.

(Date)			(Signed at (Place)		
Contractor Na (Person, Firm			Authorized Representative		
Address			Representative's Name		
City	State	Zip Code	Representative's Title		

Appendix B Contractor Profile Form & Designation of Names Signature Page

The CONTRACTOR shall furnish the t proposal non-responsive and may cau			comply with this requirement will render the s may be attached if necessary.
Company Name:			
Business Address:			
Telephone:	_Fax:		_
Email:We	b Site:		
Type of Firm: Corporation: Prop	prietorship: _		
Partnership: Joint Venture:			
Other (please describe):			
Business License Number:			
Number of years in business under fire	m name:		
Full names of firm's owners (> 10% ov	wnership), of	ficers and managing	employees:
Has the firm changed its name within	the past 3 ye	ears?	
YES NO			
If yes, provide former name(s):			
Have there been any recent (within the	e last three y	ears) changes in co	ntrol/ownership of the firm?
YESNO			
lf yes, explain.			
Have officers or principals of the firm e	ever had thei	r business license su	uspended or revoked for any reason?
YESNO			
If yes, please explain.			
Name and title of person responsible f	for submissic	on of this RFP and th	e responses:
Name & Title:		_Phone #:	
Signature:		Email:	
Date:			
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Appendix C

Professional Services Agreement

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	Consulta	nt		prov		the	District
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full responsibility for the acts and/or omissions of his/her employees or agents as they relate to the SERVICES to be provided under this Agreement.

5. <u>TAXES:</u>

The CONSULTANT acknowledges and agrees that it is the sole responsibility of The CONSULTANT to report as income its compensation received from DISTRICT and to make the requisite tax filings and payments to the appropriate Federal, State or Local tax authority. No part of the CONSULTANT's compensation shall be subject to withholding by the DISTRICT for payment of social security, unemployment, or disability insurance or any other similar state or federal tax obligation.

6. <u>MATERIALS:</u>

The CONSULTANT shall furnish all labor, materials, equipment, supplies and other items necessary to complete the SERVICES to be provided pursuant to this Agreement, at CONSULTANT's expense except as approved by the District as reimbursable.

The CONSULTANT'S SERVICES shall be performed, findings obtained, reports and recommendations prepared in accordance with generally and currently accepted principles and practices of his/her professional discipline.

7. <u>STANDARD OF CARE:</u>

The CONSULTANT shall render SERVICES in accordance with the standard of care, skill and diligence exercised by members of the same profession providing similar services under similar conditions at the locale of the PROJECT and at the time the SERVICES are to be performed. The CONSULTANT's standard of performance may not be altered, expanded or abridged by the application, interpretation or construction of any other provision of this Agreement. The CONSULTANT expressly disclaims all warranties, express, implied, or statutory regarding the SERVICES, including, without limitation, warranties of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, title and non infringement. Neither party shall be liable, under any circumstances, for any incidental, indirect, exemplary, special or consequential damages.

8. <u>CONFIDENTIALITY & USE OF INFORMATION:</u>

The CONSULTANT shall hold in trust for the DISTRICT, and shall not disclose to any person, any confidential information. Confidential information is information which is related to the DISTRICT's research, development, trade secrets and business affairs; but does not include information which is generally known or easily ascertainable by nonparties through available public documentation.

The CONSULTANT shall advise the DISTRICT of any and all materials used, or recommended for use by CONSULTANT to achieve the project goals that are subject to any copyright restrictions or requirements. In the event the CONSULTANT shall fail to so advise DISTRICT and, as a result of the use of any programs or materials developed by CONSULTANT under this Agreement, DISTRICT should be found in violation of any copyright restrictions or requirements, or DISTRICT should be alleged to be in violation of any copyright restrictions or requirements, CONSULTANT agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless, DISTRICT against any action or claim brought by the copyright holder.

9. <u>AUDIT & INSPECTION OF RECORDS:</u>

At any time during the normal business hours and as often as DISTRICT may deem necessary, CONSULTANT shall make available to DISTRICT for examination at DISTRICT's place of business specified above, all data, records, investigation reports and all other materials respecting matters covered by this Agreement and CONSULTANT shall permit the DISTRICT to audit, and to make audits of all invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel and other data related to all matters covered by this Agreement.

10. WORKS FOR HIRE / COPYRIGHT / TRADEMARK / PATENT:

The CONSULTANT understands and agrees that all matters produced under this Agreement shall be works for hire and shall become the sole property of DISTRICT and cannot be used without DISTRICT's express written permission. DISTRICT shall have all rights, title and interest in said matters, including the right to secure and maintain the copyright, trademark and/or patent of said matter in the name of the DISTRICT. The CONSULTANT consents to use of CONSULTANT name in conjunction with the sale, use, performance and distribution of the matters, for any purpose and in any medium.

11. TERMINATION:

DISTRICT may, at any time, with or without reason, terminate this Agreement and compensate CONSULTANT only for SERVICES satisfactorily rendered to the date of termination. Written notice by District shall be sufficient to stop further performance of SERVICES by CONSULTANT. Notice shall be deemed given when received by the CONSULTANT or not later than ten (10) calendar days after the day of mailing, whichever is sooner.

DISTRICT may also terminate this Agreement upon giving of written notice of intention to terminate for cause. Cause shall include: (a) material violation of this Agreement by the CONSULTANT; or (b) any act by CONSULTANT exposing the DISTRICT to liability to others for personal injury or property damage; (c) or if CONSULTANT is adjudged a bankrupt, and CONSULTANT makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or a receiver is appointed on account of CONSULTANT's insolvency. Written notice by DISTRICT of termination for cause shall contain the reasons for such intention to terminate, and unless within ten (10) calendar days after service of such notice the condition or violation shall cease, or satisfactory arrangements for the correction thereof be made, this Agreement shall upon the expiration of the ten (10) calendar days cease and terminate. In the event of such termination, the DISTRICT may secure the required SERVICES from another consultant. If the cost to the DISTRICT of obtaining the SERVICES from another consultant exceeds the cost of providing the SERVICES pursuant to this Agreement, the excess cost shall be charged to and collected from the CONSULTANT. The foregoing provisions are in addition to and not a limitation of any other rights or remedies available to DISTRICT.

12. <u>HOLD HARMLESS:</u>

The CONSULTANT agrees to and does hereby indemnify, hold harmless and defend the DISTRICT and its officers, agents and employees from every claim or demand made and every liability, loss, damage or expense, of any nature whatsoever, to the extent incurred by reason of:

Liability for damages for: (1) death or bodily injury to person; (2) injury to, loss or theft of property; or (3) any other loss, damage or expense arising out of (1) or (2) above, sustained by the CONSULTANT or any person, firm or corporation employed by the CONSULTANT, either directly or by independent contract, upon or in connection with the SERVICES called for in this Agreement, however caused, except for liability for damages referred to above which result from the negligence or willful misconduct of the DISTRICT or its officers, employees or agents.

Any injury to or death of any person, including the DISTRICT or its officers, agents and employees, or damage to or loss of any property caused by any negligent act, default, or omission of the CONSULTANT, or any person, firm or corporation employed by the CONSULTANT, either directly or by independent contract, arising out of, or connected with, the SERVICES covered by this Agreement, whether said injury or damage occurs either on or off DISTRICT's property, except for liability for damages which result from the negligence or willful misconduct of the DISTRICT or its officers, employees or agents;

Any liability for damages, which may arise from the furnishing or use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted matter or patented or unpatented invention under this Agreement;

13. <u>CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE:</u>

The CONSULTANT shall purchase and maintain such insurance as will provide protection against claims set forth below which may arise out of or result from the CONSULTANT's operations under the contract, whether such operations by the CONSULTANT or by any sub-consultant or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable:

a. claims under worker's compensation disability benefit and other similar employee benefit acts; b. claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease, or death of the CONSULTANT's employees;

c. claims for damages because of bodily injury, sick ness or disease, or death of any person other than the CONSULTANT's employees;

d. claims for damages insured by usual personal injury liability coverage which are sustained, (1) by any person as a result of an offense directly or indirectly related to the employment of such person by the CONSULTANT, or (2) by any other person for not less than \$1,000,000 for each accident; and e. claims for damages because of injury to or destruction of tangible property, including loss of use resulting there from for not less than \$1,000,000.

Certificates of Insurance naming the DISTRICT as an Additional Insured shall be filed with the DISTRICT prior to commencement of the SERVICES. These certificates shall contain a provision that coverage afforded under the policies will not be cancelled until at least fifteen (15) days prior written notice has been given to the DISTRICT.

14. ASSIGNMENT:

The obligations of the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement shall not be assigned by the CONSULTANT.

15. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS:</u>

The SERVICES completed herein must meet the approval of the DISTRICT and shall be subject to the DISTRICT's general right of inspection to secure the satisfactory completion thereof. CONSULTANT agrees to comply with all federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances that are now applicable to CONSULTANT.

16. <u>PERMITS / LICENSES:</u>

CONSULTANT and all CONSULTANT's employees or agents shall secure and maintain in force such permits and licenses as are required by law in connection with the furnishing of SERVICES pursuant to this Agreement.

17. ENTIRE AGREEMENT / AMMENDMENT:

This Agreement and any exhibits attached hereto constitute the entire agreement among the parties to it and supersede any prior or contemporaneous understanding or agreement with respect to the SERVICES contemplated, and may be amended only by a written amendment executed by both parties to the Agreement.

18. <u>NON-DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT:</u>

The CONSULTANT agrees that it shall not engage in unlawful discrimination in employment of persons because of race, color, religious creed, national original, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, or sex of such persons.

19. <u>NON–WAIVER:</u>

The failure of DISTRICT or CONSULTANT to seek redress for violation of, or to insist upon, the strict performance of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver by that party of such term or condition, or prevent a subsequent similar act from again constituting a violation of such term or condition.

20. ADMINISTRATOR OF AGREEMENT:

This Agreement shall be administered on behalf of, and any notice desired or required to be sent to a party hereunder shall be addressed to:

For DISTRICT: Name Title Contra Costa Community College District 500 Court St, Martinez, CA 94553

Phone:

Email:

For CONSULTANT: Name Title Company Name Address

Phone:

Email:

21. <u>NOTICE:</u>

All notices or demands to be given under this Agreement by either party to the other shall be in writing and given either by: (a) personal service or (b) by U.S. Mail, mailed either by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, with postage prepaid. SERVICES shall be considered given when received if personally served or if mailed on the fifth day after deposit in any U.S. Post Office. The address to which notices or demands may be given by either party may be changed by written notice given in accordance with the notice provisions of this section. At the date of this Agreement, the addresses of the parties are as set forth above.

22. <u>SEVERABILITY:</u>

If any term, condition or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will nevertheless continue in full force and effect and shall not be affected, impaired or invalidated in any way.

23. <u>GOVERNING LAWS:</u>

The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California with venue in Contra Costa County, California.

24. WARRANTY OF AUTHORITY:

Each of the parties signing this Agreement warrants to the other that he or she has the full authority of the entity on behalf of which his or her signature is made.

In witness thereof, the parties hereto have executed this agreement:

Date

CONTRA COSTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

(The District)

Assistant Secretary, Governing Board

Authorized Signature

NAME

Title

COMPANY NAME

(The Consultant)

Date

AMY STERRY

Director of Purchasing & Contract Services

Federal Tax ID No: _____

APPENDIX D

SUBMITTAL CHECK-OFF LIST

Submittals Checklist	Check Off
 #38 Minimum Contractor Qualifications Five (5) years EAP experience Permits, Licenses & Professional Credentials Compliance With Knox-Keene Act 	
#40 Total Proposal Pages	
#40 One (1) Page Company Profile	
#40 Three (3) References	
#40 EAP Detailed Services Description	
#40 Sample Reports	
#43 Cost (Table of Costs)	
Appendices Appendix A: Non-Collusion Affidavit Appendix B: Company Profile & Signature Page Appendix D: Submittal Check-Off List	