



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

FOR

**WELFARE TRANSITION
PROGRAM**

RFP NUMBER PY26-WTP-RFP

ISSUE DATE:

7/30/2025

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

8/22/2025

**CareerSource Central Florida
Administrative Offices
390 North Orange Avenue, Suite 700
Orlando, Florida 32801**

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Central Florida Regional Workforce Development Board, d/b/a CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF), is requesting proposals from qualified organizations to deliver comprehensive employment and support services under the Welfare Transition Program (WTP). This initiative is designed to assist individuals with barriers to employment in achieving sustainable self-sufficiency through structured work opportunities, personalized coaching, and skill-building resources.

Through this Request for Proposals (RFP), CSCF seeks to partner with experienced and mission-aligned providers capable of executing the goals of the WTP with fidelity and innovation. The following Statement of Work (SOW) outlines the required program components, performance expectations, deliverables, and reporting standards. Selected providers will play a critical role in empowering participants to develop work-readiness competencies, secure meaningful employment, and avoid long-term public assistance dependency.

2.0 BACKGROUND

CSCF is one of 21 workforce boards in Florida working to implement the strategic vision outlined within the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), which is focused on developing an intentional and coordinated workforce development system that is inclusive of community and mandatory partners. CSCF is the local workforce development board serving Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Sumter counties.

3.0 PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS

Organizations submitting proposals must demonstrate experience in workforce development, particularly with populations facing employment barriers. Providers must have the operational capacity to launch services within 30 days of contract award, employ qualified staff with relevant experience, and maintain strong financial stability.

Key capabilities include delivering paid temporary employment, job readiness training, soft skills coaching, financial literacy education, and individualized participant support. Providers must also show ability to collect and report program data, maintain compliance with federal and local regulations, and collaborate with employers and community partners.

4.0 CONTRACT TERM

The initial contract term will be 12 months, renewable for up to two (4) additional one-year terms, beginning 10/1/2025. Renewal will be at the option of CSCF and its Board of Directors.

5.0 SCOPE OF WORK

5.1 Introduction

CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) is launching the Work Transition Program to assist individuals facing barriers to employment in achieving self-sufficiency through structured employment and comprehensive support services. This SOW establishes the scope, responsibilities, deliverables, and expectations for selected service providers.

5.2 Program Objectives

- **Employment Pathways:** Provide meaningful employment opportunities aligned with participant skills and career goals.
- **Skill Development:** Deliver hands-on soft skills and job-readiness training, focusing on workplace communication, teamwork, adaptability, and problem-solving.
- **Financial Stability:** Equip participants with financial literacy knowledge to promote long-term stability.
- **Retention and Advancement:** Support participants in sustaining employment beyond the program.
- **Scalability:** The goal is to establish a framework to serve ~ 200 participants annually, with flexibility for expansion.
 - Target # of participants served will be evaluated annually based on program performance and funding

5.3 Scope of Services

- **Temporary Employment**
 - Provide structured, paid temporary employment for participants at 30+ hours/week, with a minimum hourly wage of \$ 13.00 (inclusive of fringe benefits) for a 12-week program period. Align work placements with participant career interests and local labor market needs.
- **Training and Coaching**
 - **Job Coaches and Skills Trainers:** Assign trained professionals to concurrently deliver:
 - Soft skills coaching in real workplace scenarios.
 - Financial literacy training (budgeting, credit management, savings).
 - **Job Readiness Workshops:** Include resume writing, interview skills, and workplace etiquette.
- **Participant Support**
 - Collaborate closely with CSCF to identify and elevate barriers affecting participant engagement and retention. Maintain direct, ongoing interaction with participants to gather timely insights and support CSCF in tailoring responsive strategies.

5.4 Roles and Responsibilities

Provider Responsibilities

- Hire and train program staff
- Deliver employment and training services as outlined
- Maintain detailed records of participant progress and outcomes
- Submit timely reports to CSCF

CSCF Responsibilities

- Provide referrals of eligible participants
- Monitor program implementation and provide technical assistance
- Fund program activities in accordance with approved budgets

5.5 Performance Metrics

- Placement Rate: At least 70% of participants placed in employment
- Completion of Soft Skills Training: 90% of participants
- Completion of Financial Literacy Training: 90% of participants
- Participant Satisfaction Score: Average rating of ≥ 4.0 out of 5
- TANF Non-Reengagement Rate: At least 50% of employed participants do not return to TANF within 6 months of program exit.

5.5 Reporting Requirements

- Monthly Reports:
 - Document enrollment, participation, job placement, and retention data.
- Incident Reports: Notify CSCF of any significant program disruptions within 48 hours.

6.0 DELIVERABLES:

- Program Work Plan – Due within 30 days
 - Includes staffing structure, training approach, and implementation timeline.
- Participant Onboarding Materials – Due within 45 days
 - Includes participant handbooks, intake forms, and other orientation tools.
- Monthly Progress Reports – Submitted monthly
 - Tracks key performance indicators (KPIs) such as enrollment, participation, and job placement.
- Quarterly Evaluation and Recommendations – Submitted quarterly
 - Identifies program improvements, participant feedback, and innovation opportunities.
- Final Program Report – Due at contract end
 - Summarizes outcomes, lessons learned, best practices, and scalability recommendations.

7.0 TIME AND COMPENSATION

- **CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF)** will be responsible for covering the costs associated with program staffing, including wages and benefits for designated personnel delivering services under this contract.
- **Match/In-Kind Funding** - The selected proposer/s will be responsible for funding participant wages and associated fringe benefits throughout the duration of the program. All participant compensation must align with the minimum wage requirements and work hour expectations outlined in the Statement of Work.

CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) anticipates an annual budget range of **\$250,000 to \$750,000** for the delivery of Welfare Transition Program services. Actual funding levels may vary year over year based on program needs, performance, and the availability of federal and state resources. While \$750,000 is the projected upper limit for the initial program year, CSCF reserves the right to adjust the maximum funding amount in future contract periods, including potential increases, subject to available funds and strategic priorities.

8.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

This RFP is a solicitation and not an offer to contract. Interested parties desiring to provide a proposal for Welfare Transition Program services as described in this RFP must submit responses to CareerSource Central Florida in the following manner:

- Inquiries regarding this RFP should be submitted electronically to: procurement@careersourcecf.com. **Please type "INQUIRY – PY26-WTP-RFP" in the subject line.**
- Submit your proposal electronically by attaching documents in PDF format in a version compatible to Acrobat PDF. Documents should be clearly marked with the respondent's business name and address. **Please type "BID – PY26-WTP-RFP" in the subject line.**
- Proposals **must** be submitted via email no later than 5:00 PM (EST), on August 22, 2025. Proposals **must** be addressed to: Procurement@careersourcecf.com.
- To maintain integrity of the process, proposers must only submit questions and proposal to the email address stated above. Proposers are not to copy or blind copy any other CareerSource Central Florida official, employee or board member. Violating these conditions may render a submitted proposal disqualified and subject to no further review.
- Responses by telephone, or fax will not be accepted. Such responses will be rejected as non-responsive, regardless of when such responses are received. Respondents are cautioned that they are responsible for delivery to the specific email address cited above.
- Any proposal may be withdrawn until the date and time set above for final submission of proposals. Any proposals not so withdrawn will constitute an irrevocable offer, for a period of 90 days, to provide the services set forth in this RFP, or until one or more of the proposals have been awarded. Preparation costs for responses to this RFP are solely those of the respondent, and CareerSource Central Florida assumes no responsibility for any such costs.
- CareerSource Central Florida reserves the right to negotiate the terms outlined in the response. CareerSource Central Florida reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, and to waive any irregularities or informalities. Further, should CareerSource Central Florida accept any Alternates, such acceptance is made with right to accept them in any order or combination.

10.0 PROCUREMENT TIMELINE (Tentative dates)

Date	Activities/Events
7/30/2025	RFP made available at 5 p.m. on the CareerSource Central Florida Internet: www.CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com
8/8/2025	Final Clarifying/Technical questions concerning the RFP must be received by 3:00 p.m. on 8/8/2025 date via email at: Procurement@careersourcecf.com . Please type “INQUIRY – PY26-WTP-RFP” in the subject line. Response to all questions will be made available on the CareerSource Central Florida’s website: www.CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com
8/22/2025	Electronic RFP responses are to be submitted in PDF format version compatible Acrobat PDF. Email containing proposal must be received by 5:00 PM EST. Please type “BID – PY26-WTP-RFP” in the subject line.
8/25/2025	Bids will be opened privately on August 25, 2025 and Proposers will be notified as to successful bidder(s) once the review process and negotiations are complete.
8/25-8/29/2025	Proposal review by review team, date to be confirmed
9/25/2025	Scheduled on Full Board of Directors agenda for approvals
10/1/2025	Final contract/s executed by 10/1/2025.

11.0 SIGNATURE

The proposal shall be signed by a duly authorized individual or official of an organization. For proposals from organizations, the proposal shall also provide the following information: name, title, address, and telephone number of individual(s) with authority to negotiate and contractually bind the Proposer, and the name of the person who may be contacted during the period of proposal evaluation if different from the signatory official.

12.0 FORMAT FOR PREPARING THE PROPOSAL

Proposals will be valid for ninety (90) days after proposal submission date specified herein. If the event contract has not been awarded before the close of the ninety (90) day validity period, CareerSource Central Florida reserves the right to negotiate extensions to the proposal validity date. An application form has been provided for submittal.

All proposals must be completed and signed using the provided application documents. CareerSource Central Florida will not return proposals to proposers. All proposals become the property of CareerSource Central Florida and will be a matter of public record subject to the provisions of chapter 119, Florida Statutes. CareerSource Central Florida shall have the right to use all ideas, or adaptations of those ideas, contained in any proposal received in response to this RFP without the necessity of paying a fee, license, or royalty. Selection or rejection of the proposal will

not affect this right.

Attachment “A” – Proposal form consists of the following documents.

- Part 1 – Cover Sheet
- Part 2 – Cost/Price Proposal Form

Attachment “B” - Relationship Disclosure Form

Attachment “C” - Contractor Provisions, Certifications and Assurances

Provided Attachments “A”, “B” and “C” must be completed and submitted.

No proposal will be considered that is not:

- a) Complete - If sections or mandated attachments are missing, the proposal will not be considered.
- b) Compatible - The proposal must be compatible with the goals and objectives of this request.

Proposer's submittal shall include a narrative. Information presented within narrative will be used by CSCF as criteria for evaluating all responses submitted in response to this RFP. The following consideration must be addressed with the narrative:

13.0 EVALUATION CRITERIA

All complete proposals will be evaluated according to the guidelines set forth in this RFP. All bids will be evaluated based on responsiveness to this RFP.

CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) will initiate negotiations with the proposer(s) whose submission is determined to be the most responsive, comprehensive, and aligned with the goals of the Welfare Transition Program. Selection will be based on an overall evaluation of multiple factors, including program quality, service approach, organizational capacity, and cost. The lowest-cost proposal will not automatically be selected, as price is only one of several key evaluation criteria.

Other significant considerations include the quality and completeness of the proposed services, strength of implementation strategy, participant support mechanisms, and provider commitment to continuous improvement. A strong track record of satisfactory performance in Florida, as demonstrated by past outcomes, reference checks, and relevant experience, will positively influence the evaluation. CSCF will also assess proposer capabilities through service comparisons, documentation, and demonstrated ability to meet performance expectations.

The following criteria will form the basis upon which CSCF will evaluate proposals. Proposals that meet the mandatory (complete and compliant) requirements, as stated above, will be evaluated with the following:

Criteria	Points
Organizational Experience and Capacity (20 points) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrated experience delivering workforce or social service programs• Proven success with similar target populations (e.g., TANF recipients, low-income individuals)• Evidence of operational readiness to launch within 30 days	20
Program Design and Approach (25 points) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clear and comprehensive strategy for delivering all required program components• Innovation in service delivery and participant engagement• Alignment with program goals: employment, retention, skill development, and financial stability• Realistic timeline and scalability plan	25

Staffing Plan and Qualifications (15 points) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequacy and qualifications of proposed staff • Defined roles, responsibilities, and reporting structure • Inclusion of background screening processes and staff development plans 	15
Budget and Cost Effectiveness (15 points) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear and reasonable budget aligned with program goals • Cost-efficiency in participant services and administrative expenses • Identify number of participants your organization can support • Identify staffing costs to run the program • Inclusion of in-kind contributions or matching funds (if applicable) 	15
Partnerships and Community Collaboration (5 points) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing or proposed partnerships with employers, training providers, and community organizations • Plan to leverage local resources for program enhancement 	10
Past Performance and References (10 points) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documented outcomes from similar programs • Letters of reference or performance evaluations from prior funders or partners 	10
TOTAL	100

14.0 CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS OF THIS RFP

The following conditions are applicable to all proposals:

This RFP does not commit or obligate CareerSource Central Florida to award a contract, to commit any funds identified in this RFP document, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation or presentation of a proposal to this RFP, to pay for any costs incurred in advance of the execution of a contract, or to procure or contract for services or supplies.

CareerSource Central Florida reserves the right to reject any and all proposals in whole or in part, to waive any informalities or irregularities in the proposals received, and to accept any proposal that is deemed most favorable to CareerSource Central Florida at the time and under the conditions stipulated in the specifications of this request.

Non-conforming proposals will be considered non-responsive and CareerSource Central Florida reserves the right to waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received. CareerSource Central Florida reserves the right to request additional information for clarification from potential candidates, or to allow corrections for errors or omissions.

All proposals are subject to negotiation by CareerSource Central Florida.

CareerSource Central Florida reserves the right to retain all proposals submitted and to use any ideas in a proposal regardless of whether that proposal is selected. Submission of a proposal indicates acceptance by the individual or firm of the conditions contained in this solicitation, unless clearly and specifically noted in the proposal/quote submitted and confirmed in the contract between CareerSource Central Florida and the individual or firm selected.

CareerSource Central Florida may require the selected proposer to participate in negotiations, and to submit price, technical, or other revisions for the proposals in writing, which may result from negotiations.

15.0 IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL RESPONDENTS:

CareerSource Central Florida is funded primarily by federal grants. CareerSource Central Florida also receives local municipal grants and sponsorships. Accordingly, federally funded sums due and payable by CareerSource Central Florida are subject to ongoing congressional appropriation and actual funding from the U.S. Department of Labor, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

16.0 MINORITY/WOMEN/VETERAN/LABOR SURPLUS BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

Proposers that qualify as minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned or labor surplus enterprises under a federal, state or local government or public authority certification process (**M/W/VET/LSBE**) are encouraged to submit proposals and to identify themselves as M/W/VET/LSBE respondents. Any vendor or firm wishing to be considered as such must provide evidence of certified M/W/VET/LSBE status (such as a copy of the certification letter, etc.).

17.0 APPLICABILITY OF SUNSHINE LAWS

Pursuant to Section 445.007, Florida Statutes, regional workforce boards (including CareerSource Central Florida) are subject to Florida Sunshine Laws (chapters 119 and 286 and s. 24, Art. I of the

Florida State Constitution). The respondents acknowledge that CareerSource Central Florida is subject to Florida's Public Records and Sunshine Laws. Accordingly, materials produced by the respondents under this RFP, as well as certain meetings and other communications, are subject to such laws.

18.0 APPEAL PROCEDURE FOR PROCUREMENT ACTIONS

All proposers have the right to appeal the process. Parties wishing to challenge the process may submit their objections in writing to the President/CEO within three business days after the date of notification of intent to award to selected vendors of CareerSource Central Florida Central Florida. Appeals must state the specific reason for appeal, and must be based on one or more of the following criteria:

- A clear and substantial error or misstated facts by the rating team upon which the decision was made.
- Unfair competition or conflict of interest in the decision-making process.
- Any illegal or improper act or omission in connection with the solicitation or selection of the proposer.
- Other grounds that may substantially alter CareerSource Central Florida's award decision.

The CareerSource Central Florida President/CEO will review the appeal and respond within ten days after receipt of the letter from the aggrieved proposer. Failure to file a protest within three business days after the date of notification of intent to award the contract will constitute a waiver of the proposer's right to appeal.

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ATTACHMENT "A"

Part 1 – Cover Sheet

Name of Respondent: :
Business Address:
Phone:
Fax:
Years in Business:
DUNS Number: _____ FEIN Number: _____
Name, title and contact information of person authorized to answer any questions about the proposal, negotiate the contract terms and contractually bind the respondent: Name and Title: _____ Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____ Email: _____
I do hereby certify that this proposal is submitted in accordance with the provisions and conditions outlined, that this firm, acknowledges and accepts the terms and conditions of this RFP/RFP by tendering an offer to CareerSource Central Florida; that all the information is complete and accurate, and that this proposal represents a firm and fixed offer to provide the requested services. This offer shall remain valid for a minimum of 90 days. I also certify that the fees in the proposal have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or with any other competitor for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such fees; and no attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person or organization to submit or not submit a proposal for the purpose of limiting or restricting competition. I further certify that this organization can and will provide and make available, at a minimum, all services described in the proposal.

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Printed Name and Title

Proposer's Name: _____

Part 2 – Cost/Price Proposal Form

Proposers must provide a detailed budget that covers all labor, materials, participant support, and expenses necessary to deliver Welfare Transition Program services in alignment with the scope of work outlined in Section 5.0.

- Providers shall submit a detailed budget including:
 - Staff salaries and benefits.
 - Participant wages and fringe.
 - Training materials and supplies.
 - Supportive services.
 - Administrative overhead
- In-kind contributions or matching funds

*If proposer is a for profit entity, profit must be stated separately.

Proposer's Name: _____

ATTACHMENT “B”

Relationship Disclosure Form

Relationship Disclosure Form

This form serves to document any personal or business relationships between the respondent (defined below) and any one or more of the following: (i) Pamela Nabors, President and CEO of CareerSource Central Florida; (ii) CareerSource Central Florida’s current board of directors; and (iii) an employee of CareerSource Central Florida. A listing of CareerSource Central Florida’s current board may be found here:

<https://www.careersourcecentralflorida.com/about-us/leadership/meet-the-board-consortium/>

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

WHAT INFORMATION NEEDS TO BE DISCLOSED ON THE RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM?

The Relationship Disclosure Form must disclose pertinent background information about the respondent and his/her or personal or business relationship, if any, with any CareerSource Central Florida staff or board member.

In particular, respondents must disclose whether any of the following relationships exist: (1) respondent is a relative of a CareerSource Central Florida staff or board member; (2) a CareerSource Central Florida board member is an employee of respondent; (3) respondent is an employee of CareerSource Central Florida; or (4) respondent is a business associate of any CareerSource Central Florida board member.

HOW ARE THE KEY RELEVANT TERMS DEFINED?

Respondent means the individual(s) or firm making any proposal pursuant to this RFP (and, if respondent is a law firm, all partners and other equity-level lawyers of the law firm.

Business associate means any person or entity engaged in or carrying on business or commercial activity with any other person who is a CareerSource Central Florida staff or board member, whether as an independent contractor, co-owner, partner, member, trustee or beneficiary, joint venture, vendor, consultant, service provider, officer, director, or shareholder (excluding shares traded on a regulated national or regional securities exchange.

Employee means any person receiving remuneration from an employer for the performance of any work or service while engaged in any employment under any appointment or contract for hire or apprenticeship, express or implied, oral or written, whether lawfully or unlawfully employed, and includes, but is not limited to, aliens and minors. (See Section 440.02(15), Florida Statutes)

Relative means an individual who is related to a CareerSource Central Florida staff or board member as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half-brother, half-sister, grandparent, great grandparent, grandchild, great-grandchild, step-grandparent, step-great-grandparent, step-grandchild, step-great-grandchild, person who is engaged to be married to a CareerSource Central Florida Principal, or who otherwise holds himself or herself out as, or is generally known as the person whom a CareerSource Central Florida Principal intends to marry or with whom the CareerSource Central Florida Principal intends to form a household, or any other natural person having the same legal residence as the CareerSource Central Florida Principal. (See Section 112.312(21), Florida Statutes.)

DOES THE RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM NEED TO BE UPDATED IF INFORMATION CHANGES?

Yes. It remains a continuing obligation of the applicant to update this form whenever any of the information provided on the initial form changes until a vendor is selected.

WHO WILL REVIEW THE INFORMATION DISCLOSED ON THE RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM AND ANY UPDATES?

The information disclosed on this form and any updates will be a public record as defined by Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and may therefore be inspected by any interested person. Also, the information will be made available to the Executive Committee and the President and CEO of CareerSource Central Florida.

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RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by the respondent. In the event any information provided on this form should change, the respondent must file an amended form on or before the date the item is considered by CareerSource Central Florida.

Part I

INFORMATION ON RESPONDENT:

Legal Name of Respondent: _____

Business Address (Street/P.O. Box, City and Zip Code):

Business Phone () _____

Facsimile () _____

Part II

IS RESPONDENT A RELATIVE OF ANY CAREERSOURCE CENTRAL FLORIDA PRINCIPAL?

___ YES ___ NO

IS ANY CAREERSOURCE CENTRAL FLORIDA PRINCIPAL AN EMPLOYEE OF RESPONDENT?

___ YES ___ NO

IS RESPONDENT AN EMPLOYEE OF ANY CAREERSOURCE CENTRAL FLORIDA PRINCIPAL?

___ YES ___ NO

IS RESPONDENT A BUSINESS ASSOCIATE OF ANY CAREERSOURCE CENTRAL FLORIDA PRINCIPAL?

___ YES ___ NO

ATTACHMENT "C"

CONTRACTOR PROVISIONS, **CERTIFICATIONS AND** **ASSURANCES**

*****In the event there is a discrepancy or conflict with Contractor's terms and conditions this document shall prevail.*****

CareerSource Central Florida will not award a contract where Contractor has failed to accept the CONTRACTOR PROVISIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES contained in this Attachment. In performing its responsibilities under this Agreement, Contractor hereby certifies and assures that it will fully comply with the following:

1. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTION (29 CFR Part 95 and 98).

Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals and subcontractors:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Agreement been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph above; and/or
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause of default.

Contractor shall comply with Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 regarding debarment and suspension.

2. CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING (29 CFR Part 93)

Contractor certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge & belief, that:

No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form – LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

Contractor shall require that the language of this certification be included in the documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients and contractors shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this Agreement was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. NON-DISCRIMINATION & EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ASSURANCE (29 CFR Part 37)

Contractor will comply fully with the nondiscrimination and equal opportunity provisions of the following laws:

- a. Section 188 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) which prohibits discrimination against all individuals in the United States on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, or belief, and against beneficiaries on the basis of either citizenship/status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States or participation in any WIOA Title I financially assisted program or activity;
- b. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the bases of race, color and national origin;
- c. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, which prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities;
- d. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;
- e. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs; and
- f. Section 654 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 9849), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, handicap, political affiliation or beliefs.

4. SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES

If the amount of this Agreement is \$1,000,000.00 or more, in accordance with the requirements of section 287.135, Florida Statutes, Contractor must provide a certification it is not listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, it is not engaged in a boycott of Israel, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, it is not engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, or that it meets the conditions for exemption as provided in section 287.135(4), Florida Statutes. These lists are created pursuant to sections 215.4725 and 215.473, Florida Statutes. If federal law ceases to authorize the states to adopt and enforce the contracting prohibition described in this paragraph, this paragraph will be null and void.

5. DISCRIMINATORY VENDOR LIST

By entering into this Agreement, Contractor certifies that it is not an entity on the state's discriminatory vendor list described in section 287.134, Florida Statutes.

6. ACCESS TO RECORDS; PUBLIC RECORDS

Access by CareerSource Central Florida, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives must be given to any books, documents, papers and records (including computer records) of Contractor or sub-contractor which are directly pertinent to charges to the services, in order to conduct audits and examinations and to make excerpts, transcripts and photocopies; this right also includes timely and reasonable access to Contractor's and subcontractor's personnel for the purpose of interviews and discussions related to such documents.

Public Records. To the extent required by Section 119.0701 of the Florida Statutes, the Contractor shall: (i) Keep and maintain public records required by CareerSource Central Florida to perform the Services under this Agreement. (ii) Upon request from CareerSource Central Florida's custodian of public records, provide CareerSource Central Florida with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes or otherwise provided by law. (iii) Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the Agreement term and following completion of the Agreement if the Contractor does not transfer the records to CareerSource Central Florida. (iv) Upon completion of the Agreement, transfer, at no cost to CareerSource Central Florida, all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by CareerSource Central Florida to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to CareerSource Central Florida upon completion of the Agreement, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Agreement, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to CareerSource Central Florida, upon request from CareerSource Central Florida's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of CareerSource Central Florida.

If the Contractor has questions regarding the application of chapter 119, Florida statutes, to the Contractor's duty to provide public records relating to this agreement, contact CareerSource Central Florida's Custodian of Public Records at Public Records Custodian 390 N. Orange

Avenue, Suite 700 Orlando, FL 32801, NBlanco@careersourcecf.com.

7. NOTICES

- a. For a notice, or other communication, under this Agreement to be valid, it must be in writing and signed by the sending party, and the sending party must use one of the following methods of delivery: (1) personal delivery; (2) registered or certified mail, in each case return receipt requested and postage prepaid; and (3) nationally recognized overnight courier, with all fees prepaid. Delivery via email, is also permitted provided it is followed by delivery via one of methods (1)-(3) above and any such delivery via email shall not be deemed to have been received pursuant to Subsection 7.c. until such delivery pursuant to methods (1)-(3) above shall be deemed to have been received pursuant to Subsection 7.c.
- b. For a notice, or other communication, under this Agreement to be valid, it must be addressed to the authorized receiving party at the addresses listed in Section 3 of the cover Agreement for the receiving party, or to any other address designated by the receiving party in a notice in accordance with this Section 7.
- c. Subject to Subsection 7.d., a valid notice or other communication under this Agreement is effective when received by the receiving party. A notice, or other communication, is deemed to have been received as follows:
 - (i) If it is delivered in person, or sent by registered or certified mail, or by nationally recognized overnight courier, upon receipt as indicated by the date on the signed receipt; and
 - (ii) If the receiving party rejects or otherwise refuses to accept it, or if it cannot be delivered because of a change in address for which notice was not given, then upon that rejection, refusal, or inability to deliver.
- d. If a notice or other communication is received after 5:00 p.m. on a business day at the location specified in the address for the receiving party, or on a day that is not a business day, then the notice is deemed received at 9:00 a.m. on the next business day.
- e. Any notice requiring prompt action shall be contemporaneously sent by electronic mail.

8. COMPLIANCE WITH OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (OMB) CIRCULARS, AND FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS

Contractor agrees that, if applicable, it shall comply with all applicable OMB circulars, such as 2 CFR 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws and ordinances applicable to this Agreement.

9. PROVISION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT

Contractor shall not assign or subcontract this Agreement or any rights or any monies due or to become due hereunder without the prior, written consent of CareerSource Central Florida. Such approval does not relieve Contractor from this Agreement. All requirements to be observed by the Contractor under this Agreement shall be applicable to and observed by all subcontractors.

10. DAVIS-BACON, COPELAND “ANTI-KICKBACK” AND CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY ACT

Contractor will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 276a to 276a7) and as supplemented by Department of Labor (DOL) regulations 29 CFR part 5, the Copeland Anti Kick Back Act (40 U.S.C 276c and 18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented by DOL regulations (29 CFR part 3), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333) as supplemented by DOL regulations 29 CFR part 5, regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction sub-agreements.

11. CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF FACILITIES USING PROGRAM FUNDS

Contractor is aware that Federal funds may not be used for the purchase or improvement of land, or the purchase, construction, or permanent improvement of any building or facility. If any property has been constructed or substantially renovated, through the unlawful use of state or federal funds, the federal government shall be entitled to a lien against said property.

12. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Contractor will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, P.L. 101-336, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability and requires reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities; in all employment practices, including job application, procedures, hiring, firing, advancement, compensation, training, and other terms, conditions, and privileges of employment. It applies to recruitment, advertising, tenure, layoff, leave, fringe benefits, and all other employment-related activities.

13. CONFLICT OF INTEREST/STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Contractor agrees that in administering the contract to comply with standards of conduct that maintain the integrity of the

contract in an impartial manner, free from personal, financial or political gain by avoiding situations which suggest that any decision was influenced by prejudice, bias or special interest.

14. CLEAN AIR/CLEAN WATER ACT/SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT

The Contractor will comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued under the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7401), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1368 et seq.), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). Contractor shall report any violations of the above to CareerSource Central Florida. The Contractor will also comply with the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 6962).

15. ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Contractor shall comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the State of Florida's Energy Conservation Plan issued in compliance with Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Public Law 94-163).

16. ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS

Contractor will comply with applicable environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following:

- a. Institution of quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L.91 - 190) and Executive Order 11514;
- b. Notification of violating facilities pursuant to Executive Order 11738;
- c. Protection of wetlands pursuant to Executive Order 11990;
- d. Evaluation of flood plains in accordance with Executive Order 11988;
- e. Assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C 1451 et seq.);
- f. Conformity of Federal Actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U. S. C. 7401 et seq.);
- g. Protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (P. L. 93-523); and
- h. Protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (P. L. 93-205).

17. INTEGRITY

Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) 29 CFR part 93. When applicable, if this Agreement is in excess of \$100,000, Contractor must, prior to execution, complete the Certification Regarding Lobbying Form.

18. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADVERTISING

The contractor agrees to comply with the provision of the Stevens Amendment as specified in P.L. 115-31, Division H, Title V, Section 505; P.L. 103-333 §508. When issuing statements, press releases, request for proposals, bid solicitation, and other documents describing the project or programs funded in whole or in part under this Agreement, Contractor shall clearly state: (1) the percentage of the total cost of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money under this Agreement and (2) the dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program (3) Percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by non-governmental sources.

19. MODIFICATIONS

The terms of this Agreement may be renegotiated and changed whenever extenuating circumstances affect the ability of either party to honor commitments made in this Agreement. Extenuating circumstances must be for situations beyond the control or expectations of either party. Both parties must mutually agree upon renegotiation.

No modification of this Agreement will be effective unless it is in writing, signed and dated by both parties.

CareerSource Central Florida may unilaterally modify this Agreement at will to accommodate any change in the federal or state programs, under which this Agreement is funded, any change in the interpretation of the federal or state programs, under which this Agreement is funded, or any applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations, rules or policies. CareerSource Central Florida retains the option to extend this contract for an additional one-year period at the end of this Agreement.

20. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT/CONVENIENCE

This Agreement may be terminated as follows:

1. Either party may request termination of this Agreement upon 60 days prior written notice to the other party.
2. CareerSource Central Florida may unilaterally terminate or modify this Agreement, if for any reason either the U.S. Department of Labor or the State of Florida reduces funding through the grants under which this Agreement is funded.
3. CareerSource Central Florida may unilaterally terminate this Agreement with written notice at any that it is determined that:
 - a. Contractor fails to provide any of the services it has contracted to provide; or
 - b. Contractor fails to comply with the provisions of this Agreement; or
 - c. Such termination is in the best interest of CareerSource Central Florida.

In the event of termination of this Agreement by CareerSource Central Florida, CareerSource Central Florida shall be obligated to pay all invoices submitted by Contractor for work performed by Contractor and approved by CareerSource Central Florida through the date of Agreement termination.

In the event this Agreement is terminated for cause, Contractor shall be liable to CareerSource Central Florida for damages sustained for any breach of this Agreement by the Contractor, including court costs and attorney fees, when cause is attributable to the Contractor.

In instances where Contractors/sub-grantees violate or breach Agreement terms, CareerSource Central Florida will use all administrative, contractual or legal remedies that are allowed by law to provide for such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate.

21. COMPLIANCE WITH TANF

Contractor shall comply with the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Program (TANF), 45 CFR parts 260-265, and other applicable federal regulations and policies promulgated thereunder.

22. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS, DATA/COPYRIGHTS AND PATENTS

CareerSource Central Florida, State of Florida and the U.S. Department of Labor shall have unlimited rights to inventions made under contract or agreement: Contracts or agreements for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work shall provide for the rights of the Federal Government and the recipient in any resulting invention in accordance with 37 CFR part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements" and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

Contractor also assures that it will comply with 29 CFR Part 37 and all other regulations implementing the laws listed above. This assurance applies to the grant applicant's operation of the WIOA Title I – financially assisted program or activity, and to all agreements the grant applicant makes to carry out the WIOA Title I – financially assisted program or activity. Contractor understands that Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and the United States have the right to seek judicial enforcement of the assurance.

23. STATEMENT OF STATE SPONSORSHIP

In compliance with section 286.25, Florida Statutes, if Contractor sponsors a program financed, in whole or in part, with funds provided under this Agreement, Contractor will, in publicizing, advertising, or describing the sponsorship of the program, state: "Sponsored by (entities name) and the State of Florida, Department of Commerce." If the sponsorship reference is in written form, the words "State of Florida, Department of Commerce" will appear in the same font size as the name of the entity. As required by 20 CFR. 678.900, each one-stop delivery system must include the "American Job Center" identifier or "a proud partner of the American Job Center network" on all primary electronic resources used by the one-stop delivery system, and on any newly printed, purchased, or created materials and must include the "American Job Center" identifier or "a proud partner of the American Job Center network" on all products, programs, activities, services, electronic resources, facilities, and related property and new materials used in the one-stop delivery system.

24. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

By entering into this Agreement, Contractor certifies that it is not on the state's convicted vendor list. Contractor shall comply with Section 287.133(2)(a), Fla. Stat., whereby a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section

287.017 Fla. Stat., for Category Two for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

25. THE PRO-CHILDREN ACT

Contractor agrees to comply with the Pro-Children Act of 1994, 20 U.S.C. 6083. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of civil monetary penalty up to \$1,000 for each violation and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity. This clause is applicable to all approved sub-contracts. In compliance with Public Law (Pub. L.) LO3-277, the Agreement shall prohibit smoking in any portion of any indoor facility used for the provision of federally funded services including health, day care, early childhood development, education or library services on a routine or regular basis, to children up to age 18.

26. CONFIDENTIALITY

It is understood that the Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of any information, regarding CareerSource Central Florida customers and the immediate family of any applicant or customer, that identifies or may be used to identify them and which may be obtained through application forms, interviews, tests, reports from public agencies or counselors, or any other source. Contractor shall not divulge such information without the written permission of the customer, except that such information which is necessary as determined by CareerSource Central Florida for purposes related to the performance or evaluation of the Agreement may be divulged to CareerSource or such other parties as they may designate having responsibilities under the Agreement for monitoring or evaluating the services and performances under the Agreement, or to governmental authorities to the extent necessary for the proper administration of the law. All release of information shall be in accordance with applicable State laws, and policies of CareerSource Central Florida. No release of information by Contractor, if such release is required by Federal or State law, shall be construed as a breach of this Section.

Employees of Contractor, and agents and contractors of Contractor, granted access to CareerSource Central Florida's workforce information systems, including systems containing confidential information, must complete **Attachment D**, "Individual Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Certification Form," prior to accessing said workforce information systems. A copy of each completed form shall be retained by CareerSource Central Florida.

27. PROCUREMENT STANDARDS

- a. Contractor will comply with the provisions of section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and as supplemented by 2 CFR Appendix II to part 200 and 2 CFR part 200.323 and the requirements stated therein.
- b. Contractor will comply with the procurement standards in 2 CFR 200.318 - 200.326 when procuring property and services under this Agreement. CareerSource Central Florida shall impose its obligations under this Agreement on its contractors, specifically or by reference, so that such obligations will be binding upon each of its contractors. CareerSource Central Florida shall maintain oversight of all activities under this Agreement and shall ensure that for any procured contract or agreement, its contractors perform according to the terms and conditions of the procured contracts or agreements, and the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

28. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS

Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of 2 CFR Appendix II to part 200 and 2 CFR part 200.322 and the requirements stated therein.

29. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of 2 CFR Appendix II to part 200 and 2 CFR part 200.216 and the requirements stated therein. See [Public Law 115-232](#), section 889 for additional information and 2 CFR part 200.471.

30. PROMOTING FREE SPEECH AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY & IMPROVING FREE INQUIRY, TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY AT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Contractor agrees to follow the statutory and national policy requirements, as applicable, stated in 2 CFR § 200.300 and Executive Order 13798 Promoting Free Speech and Religious Liberty and Executive Order 13864 Improving Free Inquiry, Transparency and Accountability at College and Universities.

31. E-VERIFY

Contractor warrants and represents that it is in compliance with section 448.095, Florida Statutes, as may be amended, and that it: (1) is registered with the E-Verify system ([E-Verify.gov](#)), and beginning January 1, 2021, uses the E-Verify

system to electronically verify the employment eligibility of all newly hired workers; and (2) has verified that all of Contractor's subcontractors performing the duties and obligations of the Agreement are registered with the E-Verify System, and beginning January 1, 2021, use the E-Verify System to electronically verify the employment eligibility of all newly hired workers.

32. CONTRACTS POSTED ON WEBSITE

An executed copy of a contract that is estimated to exceed \$35,000 with a private entity, municipality, city, town, or vendor of services, supplies, or programs, including marketing, or for the purchase or lease or use of lands, facilities, or properties for the five most recent years will be posted on CareerSource Central Florida's website.

33. MANDATORY REPORTING OF ABUSE

In compliance with sections 39.201 and 415.1034, Florida Statutes, if Contractor or its subcontractor performing services under this Agreement, knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that a child, aged person, or disabled adult is or has been abused, neglected, or exploited, the Contractor agrees to immediately report such knowledge or suspicion to the Florida Abuse Hotline by calling 1-800-96-ABUSE, or via the web reporting option at <https://reportabuse.myflfamilies.com/s/>, or via fax at 1-800-914-0004.

34. BACKGROUND SCREENINGS

CareerSource Central Florida requires a Level 1 background screening as a condition of contract award for all contractors and subcontractors. The Level 1 background screening must be conducted prior to contract awards and prior to Contractor's employees beginning work. The Level 1 background screening must be conducted at least every five years.

35. VENUE, GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement will be construed, performed, and enforced in all respects in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Florida. Each party will perform its obligations herein in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement. The exclusive venue of any legal or equitable action that arises out of or relates to this Agreement will be either the Division of Administrative Hearings or the appropriate state court in Orange County, Florida.

By signing below, Contractor hereby certifies and assures that it will fully comply with the provisions listed above:

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

Organization/Business Name

Date