SOMERSET COUNTY VOCATIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR:

1. MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING SERVICES (10 month)

SUBSTANCE ABUSE/MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING SERVICES (12 month) RECREATION/OUTREACH COORDINATOR (12 month)

SOMERSET COUNTY VOCATIONAL & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

Contract Term

July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

MARCH 3, 2017 11:00 a.m.

Address All Submission To: SOMERSET COUNTY VOCATIONAL &TECHNICAL SCHOOLS P.O. BOX 6350 BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY 08807

> Attention: Ms. Raelene M. Catterson School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

GENERAL INFORMATION and SUMMARY

ORGANIZATION REQUESTING PROPOSAL

SOMERSET COUNTY VOCATIONAL &TECHNICAL SCHOOLS P.O. BOX 6350 BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY 08807

CONTACT PERSON

ELAINE HOWE, DIRECTOR OF LINKAGES (908) 526-8900, EXT. 7286

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education is requesting qualifications from qualified individuals and agencies/firms to provide:

- 1. <u>Mental Health Counseling Services</u> of a specialized nature to the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education.
- 2. <u>Substance Abuse/Mental Health Counseling Services</u> of a specialized nature to the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education.
- 3. <u>Recreation and Outreach Services</u> of a specialized nature to the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education.

Qualifications will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in this RFQ. One or more individuals/firms may be selected to provide services.

PERIOD OF QUALIFICATION

- 1. Mental Health Counseling Services (10 month) September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018
- Substance Abuse/Mental Health Counseling Services (12 months) July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018
- 3. Recreation and Outreach Services (12 months) July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

CONTRACT FORM

The successful proposer shall be required to execute the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education form contract, which includes the indemnification, insurance, termination and licensing provisions. A complete copy of a draft Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education form contract is available upon request.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment by Contractor shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education arising out of, or by reason of, the work done and materials furnished under this Contract.

DETAILED REQUIREMENTS OF THE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR:

- 1. MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING SERVICES
- 2. SUBSTANCE ABUSE/MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING SERVICES
- 3. RECREATION/OUTREACH COORDINATOR
- 1. <u>SCHOOL DISTRICT FACTS AND FIGURES</u> The Somerset County Vocational &Technical Schools District is a lawfully constituted, board of education. The authority and responsibilities f the District is vested in an appointed five member Board of Education. The Superintendent of Schools is the District's chief executive officer and carries out the policies adopted by the Board of Education. The Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School has a student population of approximately 700 students.

The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools is the lead agency of the Linkages School-Based Youth Services Program (Linkages). Linkages is under contract with the State Department of Children and Families to provide an array of services that include, but are not limited to mental health counseling services, substance abuse/mental health counseling services, recreation and outreach services-- year round, on-site, free of charge to any student wishing services attending the high school. This includes students who attend the Summer Twilight Program. Services are only provided with the consent of the student and their parent/legal guardian.

- 2. <u>NATURE/SCOPE OF SERVICES</u> The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education is requesting proposals from qualified individuals and agencies/firms to provide services in the following areas:
 - A. <u>Mental health counseling services for the Board</u> such services may include but are not limited to providing crisis intervention and/or supportive counseling to individual students for behavioral, emotional and interpersonal issues; providing psycho-education to classes and student groups on mental health issues and other pertinent topics to include but not be limited to parent management and conflict resolution; identifying students who require outside mental health or substance abuse treatment and making related referrals to appropriate treatment facilities; collaborating with teachers, guidance staff, administration and school-based staff to help ensure consistent and comprehensive services for the students; working with collateral contacts for students who are in treatment with area mental health providers; maintaining timely clinical progress notes and other documentation, as required; upholding Professional Code of Ethics and state and federal confidentiality laws.

The counselor may be called upon to attend meetings to include but not be limited to staff meetings and case management/supervision meetings.

The counselor may also be called upon to provide other types of counseling services of a specialized nature.

B. <u>Substance abuse and mental health counseling services for the Board</u> – such services may include but are not limited to providing crisis intervention and/or supportive

counseling to individual students for behavioral, emotional and interpersonal issues; providing psycho-education to classes and student groups on substance abuse/mental health issues and other pertinent topics to include but not be limited to parent management and conflict resolution; identifying students who require outside mental health or substance abuse treatment and making related referrals to appropriate treatment facilities; collaborating with teachers, guidance staff, administration and school-based staff to help ensure consistent and comprehensive services for the students; working with collateral contacts for students who are in treatment with area metal health and substance abuse providers; maintaining timely clinical progress notes and other documentation, as required; upholding Professional Code of Ethics and state and federal confidentiality laws.

The counselor may be called upon to attend meetings to include but not be limited to staff meetings and case management/supervision meetings.

The counselor may also be called upon to provide other types of counseling services of a specialized nature.

C. <u>Recreation and outreach services for the Board</u> – such services may include but are not limited to supervising the school based Drop-In Center during all lunch periods; supervising our off-site Drop-In Center two evenings a week; planning, implementing and supervising an array of recreational activities throughout the year such as tournaments, recreational trips and community service projects; providing students with informal counseling, support, related case management and referral to appropriate resources; collaborating with teachers, guidance staff, administration, and school-based staff to help ensure consistent and comprehensive services for the students; developing and implementing mechanisms to solicit student input and to engage them with all school-based services and staff as appropriate; purchasing supplies for Drop-In Center and other recreational activities; maintaining records as required by contract and funding sources.

The recreation/outreach coordinator may be called upon to attend meetings to include but not be limited to staff meetings and case management/supervision meetings.

The recreation/outreach coordinator may also be called upon to provide other types of informal counseling/support services and outreach of a specialized nature.

- 3. STANDARD REQUIREMENTS OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL Proposers should submit a technical proposal which contains the following:
 - A. The name of the proposer, the principal place of business and, if different, the place where the services will be provided;
 - B. <u>Mental Health Counseling</u> proposer must have a minimum of ten (10) years' experience in the past twelve (12) years providing mental health counseling services on-site to high school-aged students in their respective high school.
 <u>Substance Abuse/Mental Health Counseling</u> proposer must have a minimum of seven (7) years experience in the past ten (10) years providing substance abuse and mental

health counseling services on-site to high school-aged students in their respective high school.

<u>Recreation/Outreach Coordinator</u> proposer must have a minimum of four (4) years' experience in the past four (4) years providing recreation and outreach services on-site to high school-aged students in their respective high school.

- C. The education, qualifications, experience, and training of ALL persons who would be assigned to provide services along with their names and titles;
- D. A listing of all other engagements where services of the types being proposed were provided in the past. Provide contact information for the high schools where similar services were provided. The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education may obtain references from any of the parties listed;

A description of all similar services rendered by the proposer, with emphasis on a description of those services of interest to a Board of Education client.

- E. Please provide a description of any particular area(s) of expertise you or your agency/firm may possess that have not been included in the response provided above;
- F. A statement that neither the agency/firm nor any individual(s) assigned to this engagement are suspended, or are otherwise prohibited from professional practice by any federal, state, or local agency;
- G. An Affirmative Action Statement (copy of form attached);
- H. A completed Non-Collusion Affidavit (copy of form attached);
- I. A completed Owner Disclosure Statement (copy of form attached);
- J. A statement that the proposer will comply with the General Terms and Conditions required by the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education and enter into the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education's standard Professional Services Contract;
- K. A copy of the proposer's Business Registration Statement; and
- L. Copy of IRS 501(C)3 Non-Profit status letter
- M. Board Membership List including address and occupation, noting officers.
- 4. <u>SPECIALIZED REQUIREMENTS OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL</u> In addition to the services set forth in 1 supra:

<u>Mental Health Counseling</u> proposer must demonstrate a history of having provided ongoing, on-site, full-time mental health counseling services to high school students on the campus of their respective high school. The counselor must also have appropriate licensure to provide these services and their own appropriate clinical supervision as needed.

<u>Substance Abuse/Mental Health Counseling</u> proposer must demonstrate a history of having provided on-going, on-site, full-time substance abuse and mental health counseling services to high school students on the campus of their respective high school. The counselor must also have appropriate licensure to provide these services and their own appropriate clinical supervision as needed.

<u>Recreation/Outreach Coordinator</u> proposer must demonstrate a history of having provided on-going, on-site, recreation and outreach services to high school students on the campus of their respective high school. The recreation/outreach coordinator must also have a bachelor's degree in a social service related field.

- 5. <u>FEE PROPOSAL</u> The Board will establish the hourly rate for such services, within the amount of the contract.
 - 1 position 10 month 35hours/week Mental Health Counselor
 - 1 position 12 month 35 hours/week Recreation/Outreach Coordinator
 - 1 position 12 month 35 hours/week Substance Abuse /Mental Health Counselor
- 6. <u>PROPOSAL EVALUATION</u> The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education will select the most advantageous proposals based on all of the evaluation factors set forth at the end of this RFQ. The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education will consider the qualifications which are in the best interests of the District and compile a listing of qualified professionals to provide such services.

Each proposal must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFQ. The successful proposer shall be determined by an evaluation of the total content of the proposal submitted. The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education reserves the right to:

- A. Not select any of the proposals;
- B. Select only portions of a particular proposer's proposal for further consideration; (However, proposers may specify portions of the proposal that they consider "bundled".)
- C. Award a contract for the requested services at any time within 60 days of the selection of the most advantageous proposal; every proposal should be valid through this time period.

The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education shall not be obligated to explain the results of the evaluation process to any proposer.

7. <u>PROPOSAL LIMITATIONS</u> - This RFQ is not intended to be an offer, order or contract and should not be regarded as such, nor shall any obligation or liability be imposed on the

Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education by issuance of this RFQ. The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education has sole discretion to refuse any proposal submitted.

8. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, if necessary, or to waive any informalities in the proposals, and, unless otherwise specified by the proposer, to accept any item, items or services in the proposals should it be deemed in the best interest of the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education to do so.
- B. In case of failure by the successful proposer, the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education may procure the articles or services from other sources, deduct the cost of the replacement from money due to the proposer under the contract and hold the proposer responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- C. The proposer shall maintain sufficient insurance to protect against all claims under Workmen's Compensation, General, Professional and Automobile Liability.
- D. Each proposal must be signed by the person authorized to do so.
- E. Proposals may be hand delivered or mailed consistent with the provisions of the legal notice to proposers. In the case of mailed proposals, the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education assumes no responsibility for proposals received after the designated date and time and will return late proposals unopened. Proposals <u>will not</u> be accepted by facsimile or e-mail.
- F. In accordance with Affirmative Action Law, P.L. 1975, c.127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27) with implementation of July 10, 1978, successful proposers must agree to submit individual employer certifications and number or complete Affirmative Action employee information report (form AA-302). Also, during the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows: (a) the contractor or subcontractor where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status or affectional or sexual orientation. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex or handicap. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and section for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notice to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this non-discrimination clause: (b) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex or handicap; (c) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor Somerset or representative or workers with which it has

a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or worker's representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice; (d) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the treasurer pursuant to the P.L. 1975, c.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

- G. By submission of the proposal, the proposer certifies that the service to be furnished will not infringe upon any valid patent, trademark or copyright and the successful proposer shall, at its expense, defend any and all actions or suits charging such infringement, and will save the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education harmless in any case of any such infringement.
- H. No proposer shall influence, or attempt to influence, or cause to be influenced, any board of education member or employee to use his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.
- I. No proposer shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any board of education member or employee to use his/her official capacity to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the proposer or any other person.
- J. Should any difference arise between the contracting parties as to the meaning or intent of these instructions or specifications, the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board Attorney's decision shall be final and conclusive.
- K. The Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education shall not be responsible for any expenditure of monies or other expenses incurred by the proposer in making its proposal.
- L. The checklist, affidavits, notices and the like presented at the end of this Request for Qualifications are a part of this Request for Qualifications and shall be completed and submitted as part of this proposal.
- M. The proposer will provide replacements for contract workers during the contract period regardless of reason that a vacancy ensues.

END OF GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

BASIS OF AWARD FOR A PARTICULAR CONTRACT

EVALUATION FACTORS

- A. Relevance and Extent of Qualifications, Experience, Reputation and Training of Personnel to be assigned
- B. Knowledge of subject matter to be addressed under this engagement
- C. Relevance and Extent of Similar Engagements performed
- D. Technical Proposal contains all required information
- E. Reasonableness of Cost Proposal

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL:

Please initial below, indicating that your proposal includes the itemized document. A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED WITHOUT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS IS CAUSE FOR REFUSAL.

A.	An original and one (1) signed copy of your complete proposal	
B.	Authorized signatures on all forms	
C.	Affirmative Action Questionnaire	
D.	Contractor/Vendor Questionnaire Certification	
E.	Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran	
F.	Exhibit A – Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity Language	
G.	Non-Collusion Affidavit properly notarized	
H.	Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form	
I.	Stockholder/Partnership Disclosure and Statement of Ownership	
J.	Business Registration Certificate	

Note: N.J.S.A 52:32-44 provides that the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools Board of Education shall not enter into a contract for goods or services unless the other party to the contract provides a copy of its business registration certificate and the business registration certificate of any subcontractors at the time that it submits its proposal. The contracting party must also collect the state use tax where applicable.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THE ABOVE LISTED REQUIREMENTS.

Name of Proposer:

Person, Firm, Corporation or Agency

To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal. CONTRACTOR/VENDOR QUESTIONNAIRE CERTIFICATION

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Vendor Certification

Direct/Indirect Interests

I declare and certify that no member of the Somerset County Vocational Board of Education, nor any officer or employee or person whose salary is payable in whole or in part by said Board of Education or their immediate family members are directly or indirectly interested in this bid or in the supplies, materials, equipment, work or services to which it relates, or in any portion of profits thereof. If a situation so exists where a Board member, employee, officer of the board has an interest in the bid, etc., then please attach a letter of explanation to this document, duly signed by the president of the firm or company.

Gifts; Gratuities; Compensation

I declare and certify that no person from my firm, business, corporation, association or partnership offered or paid any fee, commission or compensation, or offered any gift, gratuity or other thing of value to any school official, board member or employee of the Somerset County Vocational Board of Education.

Vendor Certifications

I declare and certify that I fully understand N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3(a) (1-4) concerning vendor contributions to school board members.

I certify that my company is not debarred from doing business with any public entity in New Jersey or the United States of America.

I further certify that I understand that it is a crime in the second degree in New Jersey to knowingly make a material representation that is false in connection with the negotiation, award or performance of a government contract.

President or Authorized Agent

Signature

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EXHIBIT A MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127) N.J.A.C. 17:27 GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval;
- Certificate of Employee Information Report; or
- Employee Information Report Form AA-302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at: http:// www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/.

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)

IMPORTANT: READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM <u>AND TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$150.00 NON-</u> <u>REFUNDABLE FEE MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE</u>. IF YOU HAVE A CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT, DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM UNLESS YOUR ARE RENEWING A CERTIFICATE THAT IS DUE FOR EXPIRATION. DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDS.

ITEM 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.

ITEM 2 - Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business check the predominate one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".

ITEM 3 - Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.

ITEM 4 - Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominate one.

ITEM 5 - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

ITEM 6 - Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including the City, County, State and Zip Code. If there is none. so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.

ITEM 7 - Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. "Single-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at only one physical location. "Multi-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.

ITEM 8 - If Multi-establishment" was entered in item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.

ITEM 9 - Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.

ITEM 10 - Enter the name of the Public Agency awarding the contract. Include City, County, State and Zip Code. This is not applicable if you are renewing a current Certificate.

ITEM 11 - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category. DO NOT attach an EEO-1 Report.

Racial/Ethnic Groups will be defined:

Black: Not of Hispanic origin. Persons having origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa. Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or

Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

Asian or Pacific Islander: Persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Sub-continent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands and Samoa.

Non-Minority: Any Persons not identified in any of the aforementioned Racial/Ethnic Groups.

ITEM 12 - Check the appropriate box. If the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.

ITEM 13 - Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.

ITEM 14 - If this is the first time an Employee Information Report has been submitted for this company, check block "Yes".

ITEM 15 - If the answer to Item 15 is "No", enter the date when the last Employee Information Report was submitted by this company.

ITEM 16 - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

ITEM 17 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

TYPE OR PRINT IN SHARP BALL POINT PEN THE VENDOR IS TO COMPLETE THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT FORM (AA302) AND RETAIN A COPY FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES. THE VENDOR SHOULD ALSO SUBMIT A COPY TO THE PUBLIC AGENCY AWARDING THE CONTRACT IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST REPORT; AND FORWARD ONE COPY <u>WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150.00</u> <u>PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY(FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE)</u> TO: NJ Department of the Treasury Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance <u>P.O. Box 206</u> Trenton. New Jersey 08625-0206 Telephone No. (609) 292-5473

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To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal.

SOMERSET COUNTY VOCATIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Chapter 271 **Political Contribution Disclosure Form** (Contracts that Exceed \$17,500.00) Ref. N.J.S.A. 52:34-25

The undersigned, being authorized and knowledgeable of the circumstances, does hereby certify that (Business Entity) has made the following reportable political contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26 during the twelve (12) months preceding this award of contract: **Reportable Contributions**

Date of Contribution	Amount of Contribution	Name of Recipient Elected Official/ Committee/Candidate	<u>Name of</u> Contributor

The Business Entity may attach additional pages if needed.

 \Box No Reportable Contributions (Please check (\checkmark) if applicable.)

I certify that (Business Entity) made no reportable contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26.

Certification

I certify, that the information provided above is in full compliance with Public Law 2005-Chapter 271.

Name of Authorized Agent

Signature _____ Title _____

Business Entity

C. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Contractor Instructions

Business entities (contractors) receiving contracts from a public agency that are NOT awarded pursuant to a "fair and open" process (defined at <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.7) are subject to the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2 (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.26). This law provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
 - any legislative leadership committee*
 - any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office:
 - o of the public entity awarding the contract
 - o of that county in which that public entity is located
 - \circ of another public entity within that county
 - or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county

The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to award of the contract. See <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.26 itemizes the parties from whom contributions must be disclosed when a business entity is not a natural person. This includes the following:

- individuals with an "interest" ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit
- all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses
- any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity
- IRS Code Section 527 New Jersey based organizations, directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity and filing as continuing political committees, (PACs).

When the business entity is a natural person, "a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity." [N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26(b)] The contributor must be listed on the disclosure.

Any business entity that fails to comply with the disclosure provisions shall be subject to a fine imposed by ELEC in an amount to be determined by the Commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected official and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor's responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement.

The enclosed form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor's submission and is disclosable to the public under the Open Public Records Act.

The contractor must also complete the attached Stockholder Disclosure Certification. This will assist the agency in meeting its obligations under the law. **NOTE: This section does not apply to Board of Education contracts.**

¹ <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-3(s): "The term "legislative leadership committee" means a committee established, authorized to be established, or designated by the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly or the Minority Leader of the General Assembly pursuant to section 16 of P.L.1993, c.65 (C.19:44A-10.1) for the purpose of receiving contributions and making expenditures."

P.L. 2005, c.271

(Unofficial version, Assembly Committee Substitute to A-3013, First Reprint*)

AN ACT authorizing units of local government to impose limits on political contributions by contractors and supplementing Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes and Title 19 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

40A:11-51 1. a. A county, municipality, independent authority, board of education, or fire district is hereby authorized to establish by ordinance, resolution or regulation, as may be appropriate, measures limiting the awarding of public contracts therefrom to business entities that have made a contribution pursuant to P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-I et seq.) and limiting the contributions that the holders of a contract can make during the term of a contract, notwithstanding the provisions and parameters of sections 1 through 12 of P.L.2004, c.19 (C. 19:44A-20.2 et al.) and section 22 of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-22).

b. The provisions of P.L.2004, c.19 shall not be construed to supersede or preempt any ordinance, resolution or regulation of a unit of local government that limits political contributions by business entities performing or seeking to perform government contracts. Any ordinance, resolution or regulation in effect on the effective date of P.L.2004, c.19 shall remain in effect and those adopted after that effective date shall be valid and enforceable.

c. An ordinance, resolution or regulation adopted or promulgated as provided in this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

52:34-25 2. a. Not later than 10 days prior to entering into any contract having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500, except for a contract that is required by law to be publicly advertised for bids, a State agency, county, municipality, independent authority, board of education, or fire district shall require any business entity bidding thereon or negotiating therefor, to submit along with its bid or price quote, a list of political contributions as set forth in this subsection that are reportable by the recipient pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-I et seq.) and that were made by the business entity during the preceding 12 month period, along with the date and amount of each contribution and the name of the recipient of each contribution. A business entity contracting with a State agency shall disclose contributions to any State, county, or municipal committee of a political committee. A business entity contracting with a county, municipality, independent authority, other than an independent authority that is a State agency, board of education, or fire district shall disclose contributions to: any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party; any legislative leadership committee; or any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office of that public entity, of that county in which that public entity is located, of another public entity within that county, or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county, or any continuing political committee.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to a contract when a public emergency requires the immediate delivery of goods or services.

b. When a business entity is a natural person, a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by: all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses; any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity; or any political organization organized

under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.

c. As used in this section:

"business entity" means a natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of this State or of any other state or foreign jurisdiction;

"interest" means the ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate; and

"State agency" means any of the principal departments in the Executive Branch of the State Government, and any division, board, bureau, office, commission or other instrumentality within or created by such department, the Legislature of the State and any office, board, bureau or commission within or created by the Legislative Branch, and any independent State authority, commission, instrumentality or agency.

P.L. 2005,c271

d. Any business entity that fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine imposed by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission in an amount to be determined by the commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

19:44A-20.13 3. a. Any business entity making a contribution of money or any other thing of value, including an in-kind contribution, or pledge to make a contribution of any kind to a candidate for or the holder of any public office having ultimate responsibility for the awarding of public contracts, or to a political party committee, legislative leadership committee, political committee or continuing political committee, which has received in any calendar year \$50,000 or more in the aggregate through agreements or contracts with a public entity, shall file an annual disclosure statement with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission, established pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-5), setting forth all such contributions made by the business entity during the 12 months prior to the reporting deadline.

b. The commission shall prescribe forms and procedures for the reporting required in subsection a. of this section which shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) the name and mailing address of the business entity making the contribution, and the amount contributed during the 12 months prior to the reporting deadline;

(2) the name of the candidate for or the holder of any public office having ultimate responsibility for the awarding of public contracts, candidate committee, joint candidates committee, political party committee, legislative leadership committee, political committee or continuing political committee receiving the contribution; and

(3) the amount of money the business entity received from the public entity through contract or agreement, the dates, and information identifying each contract or agreement and describing the goods, services or equipment provided or property sold.

c. The commission shall maintain a list of such reports for public inspection both at its office and through its Internet site.

d. When a business entity is a natural person, a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by: all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity, or their spouses; any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity; or any political organization organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.

As used in this section:

"business entity" means a natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of this State or of any other state or foreign jurisdiction; and

"interest" means the ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate.

e. Any business entity that fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine imposed by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission in an amount to be determined by the commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

4. This act shall take effect immediately.

* Note: Bold italicized statutory references of new sections are anticipated and not final as of the time this document was prepared. Statutory compilations of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-51 is anticipated to show a reference to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-51 and to N.J.S.A. 52:34-25.

List of Agencies with Elected Officials Required for Political Contribution Disclosure <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.26

County Name: Somerset State: Governor, and Legislative Leadership Committees Legislative District #s: 16, 17, 21, & 22 State Senator and two members of the General Assembly per district.

County:

Freeholders	County Clerk	Sheriff	Surrogate
Municipalities (Mayor and	members of gove	rning body, re	gardless of title):
Bedminster Township	Franklin Town	ship	Peapack-Gladstone Borough
Bernards Township	Green Brook T	ownship	Raritan Borough
Bernardsville Borough	Hillsborough T	ownship	Rocky Hill Borough
Bound Brook Borough	Manville Borou	igh	Somerville Borough
Branchburg Township	Millstone Boro	ugh	South Bound Brook Borough
Bridgewater Township	Montgomery T	ownship	Warren Township
Far Hills Borough	North Plainfiel	d Borough	Watchung Borough

Boards of Education (Members of the Board):

Bedminster Township Bernards Township Bound Brook Borough Branchburg Township Bridgewater-Raritan Regional Franklin Township Green Brook Township Hillsborough Township Manville Borough Millstone Montgomery Township North Plainfield Borough Rocky Hill Somerset Hills Regional Somerville Borough South Bound Brook Warren Township Watchung Borough Watchung Hills Regional

Fire Districts (Board of Fire Commissioners):

Bridgewater Township Fire District No. 1 Bridgewater Township Fire District No. 2 Bridgewater Township Fire District No. 3 Bridgewater Township Fire District No. 4 Franklin Township Fire District No. 1 Franklin Township Fire District No. 2 Franklin Township Fire District No. 3 Franklin Township Fire District No. 4 Hillsborough Township Fire District No. 1 Montgomery Township Fire District No. 2

To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal.

STOCKHOLDER/PARTNERSHIP DISCLOSURE AND STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

No corporation, partnership or limited liability company, shall be awarded any contract nor shall any agreement be entered into for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any material or supplies, the cost of which is to be paid with or out of any public funds, by the State or any county, municipality or school district, or any subsidiary or agency of the State, or by an authority, board or commission which exercises governmental functions, unless prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid of said corporation, said partnership, said limited liability company, there is submitted a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. If one or more such stockholder, partner or member is itself a corporation or partnership or limited liability company, the stockholder holding 10 percent or more of that corporation's stock or the individual partners owning 10 percent or greater interest in that partnership, or the members owning 10 percent or greater interest in that limited liability company as the case may be, shall also be listed. The disclosure shall be, continued until names and addresses of every non-corporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established in this act, has been listed.

Please check one type of Ownership, complete the form, and execute where provided.

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Corporation--Imited Partnership--Partnership--Imited Liability Company.--Sole Proprietorship--Imited Liability Partnership--

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Sub Chapter S Corp.--
Other-

IT IS MANDATORY THAT THIS FORM BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH BID/PROPOSAL. In the event that there are no persons who own ten percent or more of the stock or ownership of the bidder, then such fact should be certified below as part of this disclosure.

Name of Company ______

List of Owners with Ten Percent (10%) or More Interest

Owner's Name	Home Address

NOTE: If you need more space than that provided above, please use an extra sheet for furnishing the above required information for any remaining persons or entities.

Signature

Date

This form shall be completed, signed and submitted with the bid/proposal. The form continues on the next page.

If your firm is not a corporation and/or partnership, please e and include a list of the various principals.	explain below how your firm is org
Our firm, organized	, is
Names of Principals	<u>Title</u>
Use additional paper if needed. Check here i	f additional sheets are attached.
Name of Company	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Authorized AgentTitle _	
SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED	AGENT
This form shall be completed, signed and submitted with the	he bid/proposal.