DFPS Community-Based Care Regions 3E, 4, 5, and 9
Criteria, Subcriteria Sheet
HHS0011832

Evaluator				
Respondent				
#	**Criteria**	**Weight**	**Score**	**Comments**
1	**5.1.2 SSCC Major Deliverable #1: Achievement of Service Objectives and Quality Indicators. Programmatic Proposal - Respondents should carefully read the submission requirement instructions for specific questions of each section. If the Respondent plans to provide the service or perform the function through a subcontractor, the Respondent must detail the services or function to be subcontracted, and how the Respondent and the subcontractor will coordinate the service or function. Respondents should describe any prior working relationships with the subcontractor and include any letters of commitment to contract with the SSCC as an attachment to the proposal. The Programmatic Proposal must include a detailed description of the following program components: (15%)**			
1.1	Evaluate the Respondent's description of: a.how they will develop and manage a continuum of care and service delivery model designed to facilitate achievement of the service objectives and quality indicators using the staged implementation model; b.the plans to implement a community based model that fully engages stakeholders in achieving desired outcomes; c.the plan to ensure children are safe in their placements; d.the plan to ensure children are placed in their home communities; e.the plan to ensure children are appropriately served in the least restrictive environment; f.the plan to ensure siblings are placed together in foster care; g.the plan to ensure that children have stability in their placement and minimize moves in care and school of origin; h.the plan to ensure connections to family and others important to the child are maintained; i.how the model is responsive to the diverse and individual needs of the particular local communities within the catchment area, including ongoing methods to assess changing community needs; j.the plan to ensure that children and youth are provided opportunities, experiences, and activities similar to those experienced by their non-foster care peers; and opportunities to participate in decisions that impact their lives; k.the plan to reunify children with the biological parents of the children when possible; l.the plan to promote placement of children with relative or kinship caregivers, if reunification is not possible; and m.the proposed schedule, processes and procedures for transition of children requiring placement services and foster homes from DFPS to the SSCC. Include plan for communicating with providers, foster parents, judiciary and the community	15%		
	Subtotal	**15%**		
2	**5.1.3 SSCC Major Deliverable #2: Development and Management of a Continuum of Care and Service Delivery Model (15%)**			
2.1	Evaluate: a. SSCC Management Plan - the Respondent's proposal include a Preliminary Management Plan that clearly identifies all tasks and activities associated with each deliverable, date of completion, and key staff responsibility that is identified in A. through K. of this section; b.SSCC Administrative Management - the Respondent's administrative management of the continuum of care and service delivery system, at a minimum, address A. through O. of this section; and c.Community Engagement Plan - the Respondent's address to how the SSCC will ensure that children and families receive the necessary services in their local communities, in their Preliminary Community Engagement Plan(s), A. through D. of this section	15%		
	Subtotal	**15%**		
3	**5.1.4 SSCC Major Deliverable #3: Compliance and General Requirements of the SSCC (10%)**			
3.1	Evaluate the Respondent's description of: a.Legal/Regulatory - how the SSCC will comply with all applicable HHSC Minimum Standards for 24-hour residential child-care operations and with state and federal laws and regulations, as outlined in Exhibit K, Statement of Work, section 2.18 (B)(3) a – r. b.Legal/Regulatory - the plan to assume the statutory duties of the department in connection with the delivery of case management, substitute care services and services for kinship caregivers in that catchment area; c.Legal/Regulatory - the plan to comply with all court orders regarding the provision of substitute care, case management services and/or purchased services for children, youth, and families served through the SSCC, relevant to the stage being implemented; d.Cultural Competency - the plan to provide ongoing education in the form of orientation, training, workshops, and other educational opportunities to help SSCC staff, caregivers, and subcontractors understand the impact race, culture, and ethnic identity have on them and others and how they impact services to children and families; e.Cultural Competency - the plan to ensure that caregivers and subcontractors understand the impact of disproportionality and disparities in the child welfare system; f.Cultural Competency - the plan to coordinate and deliver services in a manner that is relevant to the culture of children and families served in the distinct communities and population hubs within the designated catchment area; and g.Cultural Competency - the plan to develop, implement and maintain a SSCC workforce that reflects the race, ethnicity, and culture of the client population.	10%		
	Subtotal	**10%**		
4	**5.1.5 SSCC Major Deliverable #4: Placement Services and Services to Children (20%)**			
4.1	Evaluate the Respondent's description of: a.their organization's assessment of existing paid foster care capacity in the catchment area including the method used for any assessment and/or engagement activities in the development of this proposal. To what extent did the Respondent include any assessment methods used, or that may be used, to evaluate the quantity and quality of capacity currently available; b.their organization's assessment of gaps in paid foster care capacity, including the method used for any assessment and/or engagement activities in the development of this proposal; c.the plan for maintaining the capacity to accept referrals from DFPS for paid foster care 24 hours per day, 365 days per year; d.the plan to accept all referrals for paid foster care (No Reject) made by DFPS and continue to meet the individual needs of children referred (No Eject) until DFPS determines the individual is no longer eligible for the SSCC services (Stages I); e.the plan to ensure that all children's needs are assessed using the CANS assessment; f.the plan to adapt to and abide by requirements of local courts (if different from process listed in contract) regarding placement processes and/or notification requirements; g.the plan to ensure children in paid foster care receive all follow-up medical exams, Early and Periodic Screening and Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) exams, including Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) referral, and dental exams in accordance with STAR Health and DFPS Policy timeframes; h.the plan to recruit and approve adoptive homes; i.the plan to offer Preparation for Adult Living (PAL) Skills and Supervised Independent Living (SIL) services; and j.the plan to develop and implement a process by which children, youth, and families may elevate concerns about the provision and/or quality of services provided	20%		
	Subtotal	**20%**		
5	**5.1.6 SSCC Major Deliverable #5: Case Management (20%)**			
5.1	Evaluate the Respondent's description of: a.their organization's assessment of the existing purchased services and community resources available to families in the catchment area, including the method used for any assessment and/or engagement activities in the development of this proposal. To what extent did the Respondent include any assessment methods used, or those they plan on using, to evaluate the effectiveness of services currently available; b.their organization's assessment of gaps in services for families in the area, including the method used for any assessment and/or engagement activities in the development of this proposal; c.the plan for case management services that at a minimum includes: 1.caseworker visits with the child including strategies they plan to use to engage the child; 2.family and caregiver visits including strategies they plan to use to engage the families; 3.permanency planning including their plan to meet quality indicators related to how their permanency planning model can lead to shorter stays for children in conservatorship and increase the exits to positive permanency outcomes; 4.child and family service planning that includes strategies on how they plan to ensure that children and youth are provided opportunities to participate in decisions that impact their lives; 5.the coordination and monitoring of services required by the child and the child's family, including services to children and parents residing outside the catchment area; 6.the assumption of court-related duties regarding the child, including but not limited to: a)providing any required notifications or consultations; b)preparing court reports; c)attending judicial and permanency hearings, trials, and mediations; d)complying with applicable court orders; and e)ensuring the child is progressing toward the goal of permanency within state and federally mandated guidelines 7.a plan to promote reunification of children with the biological parents of the children when possible including support services to be provided after the child is returned to their family;	20%		
	Subtotal	**20%**		
6	**6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY INFORMATION - SSCC History and Experience (10%)**			
6.1	Evaluate the Respondent's description of: a.in a brief narrative, their organization's history, accomplishments, primary purpose and number of years in operation; and explain how their organization's experience and success demonstrates your ability to provide the expected services; b.their organizational structure, including advisory board of directors (indicate number of board members), list of all advisory councils or committees, the length of their existence and their function; and c.the relationship between their organization and other community-based services to be provided, including but not limited to, linkages to the reentry population and linkages to those in the community providing employment services. Where possible, provide letters of support from those organizations that have worked with your organization, which describe the nature of past and/or current collaborations.	10%		
	Subtotal	**10%**		
7	**6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY INFORMATION - SSCC Financial Capacity, Stability and Structure (10%)**			
7.1	Evaluate the Respondent's description of: a.a detailed accounting system to be used that is capable of supporting the operation and management of a provider network, payroll, and subcontractor payments; b.a detailed information system to be used that collects, integrates, and reports financial and outcome data, supports the management and oversight of the service network, and the validation of services; c.an estimated daily per diem case management rate that includes the methodology in support of its proposed Stage II services associated with child placement, conservatorship services, kinship home development and maintenance, reunification, and case management services. Respondent must label the cost estimate for a daily per diem case management rate as Exhibit F – Case Management Proposal and included with Respondent's application. See Exhibit K - Statement of Work, Section 2.27 Major Deliverable #5 Case Management (Stages II-III); d.a proposal for its intended purchased client services (PCS) array that includes estimated fee schedules for services offered within available PCS funding allocations. Fees charged to DFPS must be reasonable and comparable to those for similar services within the catchment area. Respondent must label the cost proposal for purchased client services as Exhibit G – Purchased Client Services Proposal and include with Respondent's application. See Exhibit K - Statement of Work, Section 3.12 B and Exhibit K - Statement of Work, Chart 13 Sample Service Array; and e.FISCAL CAPACITY AND FISCAL CONTROLS - To what extent did the Respondent provide a detailed application including the following with their response: 1.Most recent two (2) years of accrual basis financial reports including: a)Balance sheet b)Statement of income and expense c)Statement of changes in financial position d)Cash flows e)Capital expenditures 2.Notes to the financial statements; Note: Personal Financial Statements will not be considered in lieu of financial statements of applicant Corporations, Partnerships, or LLC's. 3.Last two (2) years of audited financial statements;	10%		
	Subtotal	**10%**		
	TOTAL (%)	**100%**		