

APPENDIX G

MODEL MASTER AGREEMENT



MASTER AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

AND

(CONTRACTOR)

FOR

DNA LABORATORY SERVICES

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**MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND
(CONTRACTOR)
FOR
DNA LABORATORY SERVICES**

This Master Agreement is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2021 by and between the County of Los Angeles (County) on behalf of its Sheriff's Department, and _____ (Contractor), to provide DNA Laboratory Services.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County may contract with private businesses for DNA Laboratory Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is private firm specializing in providing DNA Laboratory Services; and

WHEREAS, this Master Agreement is therefore authorized under California Codes, Government Code Section 31000 which authorizes the County Board of Supervisors to contract for special services; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors has authorized the Sheriff of the County or designee to execute and administer this Master Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Attachment 1 and Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I which are attached hereto, and Exhibit J, which is not attached hereto but incorporated herein by this reference, form a part of this Master Agreement. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Master Agreement and the Attachment/Exhibits, or between Attachment/Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the Master Agreement and then to the Attachment/Exhibits according to the following priority:

Attachment 1 - Statement of Work

Exhibits:

- 1.1 Exhibit A County's Administration
- 1.2 Exhibit B Contractor's Administration
- 1.3 Exhibit C Contractor's EEO Certification
- 1.4 Exhibit D Jury Service Ordinance
- 1.5 Exhibit E Safely Surrendered Baby Law
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- ~~Exhibit I4 Price Sheet Option Year Three~~
- ~~Exhibit I5 Price Sheet Option Year Four~~
- 1.10 Exhibit J Subsequent Executed Work Orders (not attached to this Master Agreement but incorporated by reference)

This Master Agreement and the Attachments/Exhibits hereto constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties, and supersedes all previous Master Agreements, written and oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Master Agreement. No change to this Master Agreement shall be valid unless prepared pursuant to Paragraph 8.1 (Change Orders and Amendments) and signed by both parties.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

- 2.1 **Amendment:** has the meaning set forth in Paragraph 8.1 (Change Orders and Amendments) of this Master Agreement.
- 2.2 **Board:** means the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.
- 2.3 **Business Day:** means Monday through Friday, excluding designated County-observed holidays.
- 2.4 **Business Hours:** means 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Pacific Time Monday through Friday, excluding designated County-observed holidays.
- 2.5 **Change Order:** has the meaning set forth in Paragraph 8.1 (Change Orders and Amendments) of this Master Agreement.
- 2.6 **Contractor:** means the sole proprietor, partnership, corporation, or other person or entity that has entered into this Master Agreement with the County as identified in the preamble.
- 2.7 **Contractor's Authorized Official(s):** means the individual(s) designated by the Contractor to ensure Work performance and compliance to the Master Agreement after the Master Agreement award, and as further described in Paragraph 7.2 (Contractor's Authorized Official(s)) of this Master Agreement.
- 2.8 **Contractor's Project Manager:** means the individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Master Agreement operations after the Master Agreement award, and as further described in Paragraph 7.1 (Contractor's Project Manager) of this Master Agreement.
- 2.9 **County:** means the County of Los Angeles.
- 2.10 **County Project Director:** means the individual designated by the County with authority to approve all Work Order solicitations and executions, and as further described in Paragraph 6.1 (County Project Director) of this Master Agreement.
- 2.11 **County Project Manager:** means the individual designated by the County Project Director to manage the operations under this Master Agreement, and as further described in Paragraph 6.2 (County Project Manager) of this Master Agreement.
- 2.12 **Day(s):** means calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.13 **Department:** means the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.
- 2.14 **Fiscal Year:** means the twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.
- 2.15 **Master Agreement:** means the County's standard agreement executed between County and individual Contractors. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of, and otherwise governs, work provided under the Master Agreement.

- 2.16 **Qualified Contractor:** means a Contractor who has submitted a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to County's Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ); has met the minimum mandatory requirements listed in Paragraph 1.4 (Vendor's Minimum Mandatory Qualifications of the RFSQ, and has an executed Master Agreement with the Sheriff's Department.
- 2.17 **Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ):** means a solicitation based on establishing a pool of qualified vendors to provide services through Master Agreements.
- 2.18 **Sheriff:** means the Sheriff of Los Angeles County.
- 2.19 **Statement of Qualifications (SOQ):** means a Contractor's response to an RFSQ.
- 2.20 **Statement of Work (SOW):** means a written description of tasks, subtasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work required under this Master Agreement, as set forth in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) desired by County for a specific Work Order.
- 2.21 **Term:** has the meaning as set forth in Paragraph 4.0 (Term of Master Agreement), of this Master Agreement.
- 2.22 **Work:** means any and all tasks, subtasks, deliverables, goods, and other services performed by or on behalf of Contractor including the work required pursuant to this Master Agreement, including Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) and all other Exhibits, and any fully executed Work Order hereto.
- 2.23 **Work Order:** means a subordinate agreement, in the form of Exhibit F (Sample Work Order Format), executed wholly within and subject to the provisions of this Master Agreement, for the performance of tasks and/or provision of deliverables as described in the Work Order and in accordance with Attachment 1 (Statement of Work). Each Work Order shall result from bids, solicited by and tendered to County, by Qualified Contractors. No work shall be performed by Contractors except in accordance with validly bid and executed Work Orders. All executed Work Orders under this Master Agreement are incorporated herein as Exhibit J by this reference and made a part of this Master Agreement.

3.0 WORK

- 3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth herein including pursuant to any fully executed Work Order.
- 3.2 All such Work must be provided solely as specified under this Master Agreement and must receive the written approval of County Project Director or designee in order to qualify for payment. In no event

shall County be liable or responsible for payment for any Work prior to approval from County Project Director or designee of such work.

- 3.3 If Contractor provides any task, deliverable, service, or other work to County (1) other than as specified in this Master Agreement, and/or (2) that goes beyond the scope of work, and/or (3) after the expiration of the term of this Master Agreement, then these shall be gratuitous efforts on the part of Contractor for which Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against County.
- 3.4 It is the intent of the County to issue Work to Qualified Contractors on a rotational basis for this Master Agreement, based upon the needs of the Department. However, County Project Director or designee has the sole discretion to issue Work for other circumstances, as noted on the Work Order, based upon the needs of the Department.
- 3.5 If, at any time, Contractor cannot fulfill a Work Order, County Project Director or designee will proceed to the next available Qualified Contractor.
- 3.6 Contractor acknowledges that, subject to this Paragraph 3.0 (Work), all Work performed under this Master Agreement, including pursuant to any fully executed Work Order, is payable in arrears in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement, including Paragraph 5.0 (Contract Sum).
- 3.7 During the Term of this Master Agreement, Contractor shall at all times possess and maintain all accreditations required to perform Contractor's services under this Master Agreement. In the event of suspension or revocation of such accreditations, Contractor shall immediately notify the County Project Director and cease all services provided under this Master Agreement.
- 3.8 The execution of this Master Agreement does not guarantee Contractor any minimum amount of business. County does not promise, warrant, or guarantee that County will utilize any particular level of Contractor's service, or any services at all, during the Term of this Master Agreement.

4.0 TERM OF MASTER AGREEMENT

- 4.1 This Master Agreement is effective upon the date of its execution by the Sheriff or his designee as authorized by the Board of Supervisors, and shall expire on _____ ("Initial Term") *(three [3] years from the date of approval of this Model Master Agreement form by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors)*, unless sooner extended or terminated, in whole or in part, as provided herein.
- 4.2 The County shall have the sole option, at the Sheriff's discretion, to extend the Term of this Master Agreement for up to four (4)

additional one-year periods (each an "Option Term"). Each such extension shall be in the form of a written Amendment pursuant to Paragraph 8.1 (Change Orders and Amendments) below. As used herein, the "Term" shall mean the Initial Term and, if extended, each Option Term, as the case may be.

- 4.3 The County maintains a database that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into the database may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a Master Agreement term extension option.
- 4.4 Contractor shall notify the Department when this Master Agreement is within six (6) months from the expiration of the Term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, Contractor shall send written notification to the County Project Director at the address herein provided in Exhibit A (County's Administration) of this Master Agreement.

5.0 CONTRACT SUM

- 5.1 Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment by County under this Master Agreement except pursuant to validly executed and satisfactorily performed Work Orders. In each year of this Master Agreement, the total of all amounts actually expended by County hereunder ("maximum annual expenditures") may not exceed amounts allocated to the Sheriff's Department by the County Board of Supervisors in their approved budgets. The County has sole discretion to expend some, all, or none of such budgeted amounts. The sum of such annual expenditures for the duration of this Master Agreement is the Contract Sum.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the County's express prior written approval.

5.3 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Master Agreement

Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement. Should Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately

repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Master Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. Notwithstanding the above, Contractor shall be entitled to payment for Work that is satisfactorily completed after the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement, provided that any such Work is pursuant to a Work Order that is validly executed during the term of the Master Agreement. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement.

5.4 Invoices and Payments

5.4.1 For providing the tasks, deliverables, services, and other Work authorized pursuant to this Master Agreement, Contractor shall separately invoice County for each Work Order.

5.4.2 Payment for all Work shall be subject to the not-to-exceed fee structure set forth in Exhibit I ~~11, 12, 13, 14, or 15~~ of this Master Agreement (whichever is applicable), less any amounts assessed in accordance with Paragraph 8.25 (Liquidated Damages) of this Master Agreement.

5.4.3 County shall not pay Contractor for any overtime premiums, travel expenses, meals, lodging, holidays, vacation, sick leave, per diem, or miscellaneous expenses, etc.

5.4.4 All Work performed by, and all invoices submitted by, Contractor pursuant to Work Orders issued hereunder must receive the written approval of County Project Manager or County Project Director, who shall be responsible for a detailed evaluation of Contractor's performance before approval of Work and/or payment of invoices is permitted.

5.4.5 Invoices under this Master Agreement shall be submitted to the address(es) set forth in the applicable Work Order.

5.4.6 Invoice Content

The period of performance specified in Contractor's invoice(s) must coincide with the period of performance specified in the applicable Work Order.

Each invoice submitted by Contractor shall specify:

- County numbers of the applicable Work Order and Contractor's Master Agreement;
- Contractor's name and address;
- Invoice date;

- A brief description of the deliverable(s) for which payment is claimed, the respective number(s) assigned to the deliverable(s), and the individual amount being billed for each deliverable; and
- The total amount of the invoice.

5.4.7 Local Small Business Enterprises – Prompt Payment Program

Certified Local Small Business Enterprises (LSBEs) will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

5.5 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer

5.5.1 The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under this Master Agreement with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).

5.5.2 The Contractor shall submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website <https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov> with banking and vendor information, and any other information that the A-C determines is reasonably necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.

5.5.3 Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.

5.5.4 At any time during the duration of the Master Agreement, a Contractor may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. Such request must be based on specific legal, business, or operational needs and explain why the payment method designated by the A-C is not feasible and an alternative is necessary. The A-C, in consultation with the Department, shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - COUNTY

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following Paragraphs are designated in Exhibit A (County’s Administration) of this Master Agreement. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

6.1 County Project Director

The County Project Director is the approving authority for individual Work Order solicitations and executed Work Orders.

The responsibilities of the County Project Director may include:

- 6.1.1 ensuring that the objectives of this Master Agreement are met; and
- 6.2.1 providing direction to the Contractor, in areas relating to County policy, information requirements, and procedural requirements.

6.2 County Project Manager

The County Project Manager is County's chief contact person with respect to the day-to-day administration of this Master Agreement. The Project Manager shall prepare and issue Work Orders and any Change Orders and Amendments thereto, and generally be the first person for Contractor to contact with any questions.

The responsibilities of the County Project Manager may include:

- 6.2.1 meeting with the Contractor's Project Manager on a regular basis; and
- 6.2.2 preparing Work Orders; and
- 6.2.3 inspecting any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other Work provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.

7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - CONTRACTOR

7.1 Contractor's Project Manager

7.1.1 Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit B (Contractor's Administration) of this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Project Manager.

7.1.2 Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Master Agreement and shall coordinate with County Project Manager on a regular basis with respect to all active Work Orders.

7.2 Contractor's Authorized Official(s)

7.2.1 Contractor's Authorized Official(s) are designated in Exhibit B (Contractor's Administration) of this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall promptly notify County in writing of any change in the name(s) or address(es) of Contractor's Authorized Official(s).

7.2.2 Contractor represents and warrants that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide actual authority to such officials to execute documents under this Master Agreement on behalf of Contractor.

7.3 Approval of Contractor's Staff

County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, Contractor's Project Manager. Contractor shall provide County with a resume of each proposed substitute and an opportunity to interview such person prior to any staff substitution.

7.4 Intentionally Omitted

7.5 Background and Security Investigations

7.5.1 At any time prior to or during the term of this Master Agreement, all Contractor staff, subcontractors, and agents of the Contractor (collectively herein "Contractor's staff") performing services under this Master Agreement may be required to undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of the County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Master Agreement. Such background investigation may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice. The County Project Director will schedule the background investigation with the Department's Civilian Backgrounds Unit. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless if the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

7.5.2 If a member of Contractor's staff does not pass the background investigation, County may request that the member of Contractor's staff be immediately removed from performing services under this Master Agreement at any time during the term of the Master Agreement. County will not provide to Contractor or to Contractor's staff any information obtained through the County's background investigation.

7.5.3 County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of Contractor's staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with County facility access.

7.5.4 Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 7.5 (Background and Security Investigations) shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

7.6 Confidentiality

7.6.1 Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.

7.6.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Paragraph 7.6 (Confidentiality), as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 7.6 (Confidentiality) shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

7.6.3 Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Master Agreement.

7.6.4 Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit G3 (Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement) of this Master Agreement.

8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

8.1 CHANGE ORDERS AND AMENDMENTS

- 8.1.1 The County Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in this Master Agreement during the term of this Master Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such orders, an Amendment to this Master Agreement shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Sheriff or his designee.
- 8.1.2 For any change which does not materially affect the scope of Work, term, price, payments, or any other term or condition of this Master Agreement, a Change Order to this Master Agreement shall be executed by the County Project Director and Contractor's Project Manager.
- 8.1.3 For any change which materially affects the scope of Work, term, price, payments, or any other term or condition of this Master Agreement, an Amendment to this Master Agreement shall be executed by the Contractor and the County Board of Supervisors.
- 8.1.4 Notwithstanding Paragraphs 8.1.1 through 8.1.3 above, for (1) any option term extension of this Master Agreement, including any revisions to Exhibit I (Price Sheet) or (2) modifications pursuant to Paragraph 8.2 (Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions), an Amendment to this Master Agreement shall be executed by Contractor and Sheriff or his designee.

8.2 Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions

- 8.2.1 The Contractor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of its company unless otherwise legally prohibited from doing so. If the Contractor is restricted from legally notifying the County of pending acquisitions/mergers, then it should notify the County of the actual acquisitions/mergers as soon as the law allows and provide to the County the legal framework that restricted it from notifying the County prior to the actual acquisitions/mergers.
- 8.2.2 The Contractor shall not assign, exchange, transfer, or delegate its rights or duties under this Master Agreement, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment, delegation, or otherwise transfer of its rights or duties, without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes

of this Paragraph 8.2 (Assignments and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions), County consent shall require a written amendment to the Master Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Master Agreement shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.

- 8.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of the Master Agreement which may result in the termination of this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

8.3 Authorization Warranty

The Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Master Agreement for the Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Master Agreement and that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

8.4 Complaints

The Contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating, and responding to complaints.

- 8.4.1 Within ten (10) business days after the Master Agreement effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating, and responding to user complaints.
- 8.4.2 The County will review the Contractor's policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
- 8.4.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within five (5) business days for County approval.
- 8.4.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.

- 8.4.5 The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County Project Manager of the status of the investigation within five (5) business days of receiving the complaint.
- 8.4.6 When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- 8.4.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County Project Manager within five (5) business days of mailing to the complainant.

8.5 Compliance with Applicable Laws

- 8.5.1 In the performance of this Master Agreement, Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Master Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 8.5.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 8.5 (Compliance with Applicable Laws) shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

8.6 Compliance with Civil Rights Laws

The Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall comply with Exhibit C (Contractor's EEO Certification) of this Master Agreement.

8.7 Compliance with County's Jury Service Program

8.7.1 Jury Service Program:

This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit D (Jury Service Ordinance) and incorporated by reference into and made part of this Master Agreement.

8.7.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy

1. Unless Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five (5) days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.
2. For purposes of this paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a Master Agreement with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any twelve (12)-month period under one or more County Master Agreements or subcontracts. "Employee" means any

California resident who is a full time employee of Contractor. "Full-time" means forty (40) hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of ninety (90) days or less within a twelve (12)-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Master Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this paragraph. The provisions of this paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.

3. If Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Master Agreement commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Master Agreement and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.
4. Contractor's violation of this paragraph of the Master Agreement may constitute a material breach of the Master Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Master Agreement and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County Master Agreements for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

8.8 Conflict of Interest

- 8.8.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Master Agreement or any competing Master Agreement, and no

spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Master Agreement. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

8.8.2 The Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Master Agreement. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Paragraph 8.8 shall be a breach of this Master Agreement.

8.9 Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoffs or are on a County Re-employment List

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Master Agreement.

8.10 Consideration of Hiring GAIN-GROW Participants

8.10.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor. Contractors shall report all job openings with

job requirements to:
GAINGROW@DPSS.LACOUNTY.GOV and
BSERVICES@WDACS.LACOUNTY.GOV and DPSS will
refer qualified GAIN/GROW job candidates.

8.10.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

8.11 Contractor Responsibility and Debarment

8.11.1 Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the Master Agreement. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

8.11.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other Master Agreements which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in this Master Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

8.11.3 Non-responsible Contractor

The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a Master Agreement with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a Master Agreement with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

8.11.4 Contractor Hearing Board

1. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.
3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.

5. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.
6. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

8.11.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of County Contractors.

8.12 Contractor's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster, in Exhibit E (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) of this Master Agreement, in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor's place of business. Information and posters for printing are available at www.babysafela.org.

8.13 Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program

8.13.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through Purchase Order or Master Agreement are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

8.13.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Master Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Master Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

8.14 County's Quality Assurance Plan

The County or its agent(s) will monitor the contractor's performance under this Master Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such monitoring will include assessing the contractor's compliance with all Master Agreement terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are significant or continuing and that may place performance of the Master Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors and listed in the appropriate contractor performance database. The report to the Board will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Master Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Master Agreement.

8.15 Damage to County Facilities, Buildings or Grounds

8.15.1 Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by Contractor or employees or agents of Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after

Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.

- 8.15.2 If Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by Contractor by cash payment upon demand.

8.16 Employment Eligibility Verification

- 8.16.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Master Agreement meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.
- 8.16.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Master Agreement.

8.17 Counterparts and Electronic Signatures and Representations

This Master Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Master Agreement. The facsimile, email or electronic signature of the Parties shall be deemed to constitute original signatures, and facsimile or electronic copies hereof shall be deemed to constitute duplicate originals.

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard electronic representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Change Orders and Amendments prepared pursuant to Paragraph 8.1 (Change Orders and Amendments) of this Master Agreement, and received via communications facilities (facsimile, email or electronic

signature), as legally sufficient evidence that such legally binding signatures have been affixed to Change Orders and Amendments to this Master Agreement.

8.18 Fair Labor Standards

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the Contractor's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

8.19 Force Majeure

8.19.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Master Agreement, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this Paragraph 8.19 (Force Majeure) as "force majeure events").

8.19.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of Contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, Contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this Paragraph 8.19 (Force Majeure), the term "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractors at any tier.

8.19.3 In the event Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

8.20 Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue

This Master Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Master Agreement and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

8.21 Independent Contractor Status

8.21.1 This Master Agreement is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

8.21.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.

8.21.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement.

8.21.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in Paragraph 7.6 (Confidentiality) in this Master Agreement.

8.22 Indemnification

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("County Indemnitees") from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from and/or relating to this Master

Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

8.23 General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage

Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Master Agreement and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Master Agreement have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in this Paragraph 8.23 (General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage) and Paragraph 8.24 (Insurance Coverage) of this Master Agreement. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Master Agreement.

8.23.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Master Agreement.
- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than ten (10) days prior to Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Sub-Contractor insurance policies at any time.
- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Master Agreement by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Master Agreement. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000)

dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.

- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.
- Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to the County Contract Compliance Manager listed in Exhibit A (County's Administration) of this Master Agreement.
- Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies, or securities entrusted to Contractor. Contractor also shall promptly notify County of any third party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its subcontractors which arises from or relates to this Master Agreement, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

8.23.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees, and Volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) shall be provided additional insured status under Contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of Contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

8.23.3 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance

Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Master Agreement, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Master Agreement.

8.23.4 Failure to Maintain Insurance

Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Master Agreement, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Master Agreement. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

8.23.5 Insurer Financial Ratings

Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by County.

8.23.6 Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary

Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Master Agreement, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to Contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.

8.23.7 Waivers of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall require its insurers to

execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

8.23.8 Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under Contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each subcontractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each subcontractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each subcontractor name the County and Contractor as additional insureds on the subcontractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any subcontractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

8.23.9 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)

Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration, and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

8.23.10 Claims Made Coverage

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Master Agreement. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Master Agreement expiration, termination, or cancellation.

8.23.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow form" over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

8.23.12 Separation of Insureds

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

8.23.13 Alternative Risk Financing Programs

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, Contractor's use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements, and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

8.23.14 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

8.24 Insurance Coverage

8.24.1 Commercial General Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate:	\$2 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 million

8.24.2 Automobile Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Master Agreement, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

8.24.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer. The written notice shall be provide to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any cancellation or policy change. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be

arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

8.25 Liquidated Damages

- 8.25.1 If, in the judgment of the County Project Director, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the County Project Director in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the County Project Director in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.
- 8.25.2 If the Sheriff determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Master Agreement that the Sheriff or designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Sheriff or designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Sheriff may:
- (a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the monthly contract sum; and/or
 - (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is one-hundred dollars (\$100) per day per infraction, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the Contractor; and/or
 - (c) Upon giving five (5) Business Days' notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.

8.25.3 The action noted in Paragraph 8.25.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Master Agreement.

8.25.4 This Paragraph 8.25 (Liquidated Damages) shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Master Agreement provided by law or as specified in Paragraph 8.25.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Master Agreement as agreed to herein.

8.26 Most Favored Public Entity

If the Contractor's prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Master Agreement provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Master Agreement, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

8.27 Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

8.27.1 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

8.27.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit C (Contractor's EEO Certification) of this Master Agreement.

8.27.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

8.27.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin,

sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.

- 8.27.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement.
- 8.27.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph 8.27 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) when so requested by the County.
- 8.27.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this Paragraph 8.27 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement.
- 8.27.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Master Agreement.

8.28 Non Exclusivity

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with Contractor. This Master Agreement shall not restrict the Department from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

8.29 Notice of Delays

Except as otherwise provided under this Master Agreement, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Master Agreement, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

8.30 Notice of Disputes

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the County Project Manager and/or County Project Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Master Agreement. If the County Project Manager or County Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, then the Sheriff or his designee shall resolve it.

8.31 Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

8.32 Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The information is set forth in Exhibit E (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) of this Master Agreement. Additional information is available at www.babysafela.org.

8.33 Notices

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Master Agreement shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits A (County's Administration) and B (Contractor's Administration) of this Master Agreement. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to the other party. The County Project Director or designee shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Master Agreement.

8.34 Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

8.35 Public Records Act

8.35.1 Any documents submitted by Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Paragraph 8.37 (Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement) of this Master Agreement; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) used in the solicitation process for this Master Agreement, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

8.35.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of an SOQ marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary", the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

8.36 Publicity

8.36.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Master Agreement to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Master Agreement within the following conditions:

- The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
- During the term of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County Project Director. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

8.36.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this Paragraph 8.36 (Publicity) shall apply.

8.37 Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement

The Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Master Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Master Agreement. The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Master Agreement. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

8.37.1 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Master Agreement by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's

receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Master Agreement. The County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).

8.37.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this Paragraph 8.37 (Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement) shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.

8.37.3 If, at any time during the term of this Master Agreement or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, representatives of the County may conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Master Agreement, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Master Agreement or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Master Agreement exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Master Agreement.

8.38 Recycled Bond Paper

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Master Agreement.

8.39 Subcontracting

8.39.1 The requirements of this Master Agreement may not be subcontracted by the Contractor **without the advance approval of the County**. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Master Agreement.

8.39.2 If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request:

- A description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor;
 - A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
 - Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.
- 8.39.3 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such subcontractor(s) were Contractor employees.
- 8.39.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Master Agreement, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.
- 8.39.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Master Agreement. The Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.
- 8.39.6 The County Project Director is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.
- 8.39.7 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- 8.39.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to: The County Project Director before any subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.

8.40 Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.13 (Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program), shall constitute a default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other

provision of this Master Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Master Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 8.42 (Termination for Default) and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

8.41 Termination for Convenience

8.41.1 County may terminate this Master Agreement, and any Work Order issued hereunder, in whole or in part, from time to time or permanently, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.

8.41.2 Upon receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall immediately:

- Stop work under the Work Order or under this Master Agreement, as identified in such notice;
- Transfer title and deliver to County all completed work and work in process; and
- Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.

8.41.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Master Agreement or Work Order shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with Paragraph 8.37, (Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement) of this Master Agreement.

8.42 Termination for Default

8.42.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Master Agreement, if, in the judgment of County Project Director:

- Contractor has materially breached this Master Agreement;
- Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Master Agreement or any Work Order issued hereunder; or

- Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements of any Work Order issued under this Master Agreement, or of any obligations of this Master Agreement and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

8.42.2 In the event that the County terminates this Master Agreement in whole or in part as provided in Paragraph 8.42.1 above, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Master Agreement to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this Paragraph 8.42 (Termination for Default).

8.42.3 Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in Paragraph 8.42.2 above if its failure to perform this Master Agreement, including any Work Order issued hereunder, arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this Paragraph 8.42.3, the terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) at any tier.

- 8.42.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this Paragraph 8.42 (Termination for Default), it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this Paragraph 8.42 (Termination for Default), or that the default was excusable under the provisions of Paragraph 8.42.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to Paragraph 8.41 (Termination for Convenience) of this Master Agreement.
- 8.42.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.42 (Termination for Default) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.43 Termination for Improper Consideration

- 8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Master Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Master Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Master Agreement or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.
- 8.43.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.
- 8.43.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

8.44 Termination for Insolvency

- 8.44.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
- Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) days in the ordinary course of

business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;

- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

8.44.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.44 (Termination for Insolvency) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.45 Termination for Non-Adherence of County Lobbyist Ordinance

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.

8.46 Termination for Non-Appropriation of Funds

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Master Agreement during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Master Agreement in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Master Agreement, then this Master Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

8.47 Validity

If any provision of this Master Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Master Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

8.48 Waiver

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Master Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Master Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this Paragraph 8.48 (Waiver) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.49 Warranty Against Contingent Fees

8.49.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Master Agreement upon any agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

8.49.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Master Agreement and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Master Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

8.50 Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

8.50.1 Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

8.50.2 Unless Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this Master Agreement will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206.

8.51 Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Defaulted Property tax Reduction Program

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.50 (Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program) of this Master Agreement shall constitute default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under

any other provision of this Master Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ten (10) days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Master Agreement and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

8.52 Time off For Voting

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (California Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than ten (10) days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractors shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of California Elections Code Section 14000.

8.53 Compliance with County's Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking

8.53.1 Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking prohibiting contractors from engaging in human trafficking.

8.53.2 If a Contractor or member of Contractor's staff is convicted of a human trafficking offense, the County shall require that the Contractor or member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Master Agreement. County will not be under any obligation to disclose confidential information regarding the offenses other than those required by law.

8.53.3 Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 8.53 (Compliance with County's Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking) shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

8.54 Intentionally Omitted

8.55 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Practices

Contractor shall comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History. Contractor's violation of this Paragraph 8.55 (Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Practices) of this Master Agreement may constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Master Agreement.

8.56 Compliance with the County Policy of Equity

The contractor acknowledges that the County takes its commitment to preserving the dignity and professionalism of the workplace very seriously, as set forth in the County Policy of Equity (CPOE) (<https://ceop.lacounty.gov/>). The contractor further acknowledges that the County strives to provide a workplace free from discrimination, harassment, retaliation, and inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, and which may violate the CPOE. The contractor, its employees and subcontractors acknowledge and certify receipt and understanding of the CPOE. Failure of the contractor, its employees or its subcontractors to uphold the County's expectations of a workplace free from harassment and discrimination, including inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, may subject the contractor to termination of contractual agreements as well as civil liability.

8.57 Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)

A Proposer, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Proposer/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Proposer/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision shall result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Proposer from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract. This provision shall survive the expiration, or other termination of this Agreement.

8.58 COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel

8.58.1 At Contractor's sole cost, Contractor shall comply with Chapter 2.212 (COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel) of County Code Title 2 - Administration, Division 4. All employees of Contractor and persons working on its behalf, including but not limited to, Subcontractors of any tier (collectively, "Contractor Personnel"), must be fully vaccinated against the novel coronavirus 2019 ("COVID-19") prior to (1) interacting in person with County employees, interns, volunteers, and commissioners ("County workforce members"), (2) working on County owned or controlled property while performing services under this Master Agreement, and/or (3) coming into contact with the public while performing services under this Master Agreement (collectively, "In-Person Services").

8.58.2 Contractor Personnel are considered "fully vaccinated" against COVID-19 two (2) weeks or more after they have received (1) the second dose in a 2-dose COVID-19 vaccine series (e.g. Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), (2) a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine (e.g. Johnson and Johnson [J&J]/Janssen), or (3) the final dose of any COVID-19 vaccine authorized by the World Health Organization ("WHO").

8.58.3 Prior to assigning Contractor Personnel to perform In-Person Services, Contractor shall obtain proof that such Contractor Personnel have been fully vaccinated by confirming Contractor Personnel is vaccinated through any of the following documentation: (1) official COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card (issued by the Department of Health and Human Services, CDC or WHO Yellow Card), which includes the name of the person vaccinated, type of vaccine provided, and date of the last dose administered ("Vaccination Record Card"); (2) copy (including a photographic copy) of a Vaccination Record Card; (3) Documentation of vaccination from a licensed medical provider; (4) a digital record that includes a quick response ("QR") code that when scanned by a SMART HealthCard reader displays to the reader client name, date of birth, vaccine dates, and vaccine type, and the QR code confirms the vaccine record as an official record of the State of California; or (5) documentation of vaccination from Contractors who follow the CDPH vaccination records guidelines and standards. Contractor shall also provide written notice to County before the start of work under this Master Agreement that its Contractor Personnel are in compliance with the requirements of this section. Contractor shall retain such proof of vaccination for the document retention period set forth in this Master Agreement, and must provide such records to the County for audit purposes, when required by County.

8.53.4 Contractor shall evaluate any medical or sincerely held religious exemption request of its Contractor Personnel, as required by law. If Contractor has determined that Contractor Personnel is exempt pursuant to a medical or sincerely held religious reason, the Contractor must also maintain records of the Contractor Personnel's testing results. The Contractor must provide such records to the County for audit purposes, when required by County. The unvaccinated exempt Contractor Personnel must meet the

following requirements prior to (1) interacting in person with County workforce members, (2) working on County owned or controlled property while performing services under this Master Agreement, and/or (3) coming into contact with the public while performing services under this Master Agreement:

- a. Test for COVID-19 with either a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or antigen test has an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) by the FDA or is operating per the Laboratory Developed Test requirements by the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Testing must occur at least weekly, or more frequently as required by County or other applicable law, regulation or order.
- b. Wear a mask that is consistent with CDC recommendations at all times while on County controlled or owned property, and while engaging with members of the public and County workforce members.
- c. Engage in proper physical distancing, as determined by the applicable County department that the Master Agreement is with.

8.58.5 In addition to complying with the requirements of this section, Contractor shall also comply with all other applicable local, departmental, State, and federal laws, regulations and requirements for COVID-19. A completed Exhibit G4 (COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance) is a required part of any agreement with the County.

9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

9.1 Intentionally Omitted

9.2 Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference Program

9.1.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled LSBE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.

9.1.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a LSBE.

9.1.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a LSBE.

9.1.4 If the Contractor has obtained certification as a LSBE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Master Agreement to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the Master Agreement amount and what the County's costs would have been if the Master Agreement had been properly awarded;
2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the Master Agreement; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Master Agreement award.

9.3 Intentionally Omitted

9.4 Intentionally Omitted

9.5 Intentionally Omitted

9.6 Social Enterprise (SE) Preference Program

9.2.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled SE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code.

9.2.2 Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or

retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a SE.

9.2.3 Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a SE.

9.2.4 If Contractor has obtained County certification as a SE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Master Agreement to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, Contractor shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the Master Agreement amount and what the County's costs would have been if the Master Agreement had been properly awarded;
2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1) above, the Contractor will be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the Master Agreement; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any entity that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Master Agreement award.

9.7 Intentionally Omitted

9.8 Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Preference Program

9.3.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled DVBE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.211 of the Los Angeles County Code.

- 9.3.2 Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a DVBE.
- 9.3.3 Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a DVBE.
- 9.3.4 If Contractor has obtained certification as a DVBE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Master Agreement to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, Contractor shall:
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 3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

Notwithstanding any other remedies in this Master Agreement, the above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Master Agreement award.

**MASTER AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND
(CONTRACTOR)
FOR
DNA LABORATORY SERVICES**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Master Agreement to be executed by the Sheriff of Los Angeles County and approved by County Counsel, and Contractor has caused this Master Agreement to be executed in its behalf by its duly authorized representative on dates written below.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By: _____
ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF

Date: _____

(CONTRACTOR)

By: _____

Printed: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
RODRIGO A. CASTRO-SILVA
County Counsel

By: _____
Michele Jackson
Principal Deputy County Counsel

STATEMENT OF WORK

(NOT ATTACHED; SEE ATTACHMENT 1 OF THE RFSQ)

COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION

MASTER AGREEMENT NO. _____

COUNTY PROJECT DIRECTOR:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

COUNTY PROJECT MANAGER:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION

CONTRACTOR'S NAME

MASTER AGREEMENT NO. _____

CONTRACTOR'S PROJECT MANAGER:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

CONTRACTOR'S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Notices to Contractor shall be sent to the following address:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

County of Los Angeles
Sheriff's Department

DNA Laboratory Services
RFSQ 671-SH

CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION

 Contractor Name

 Address

 Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

GENERAL CERTIFICATION

In accordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the County of Los Angeles, the contractor, supplier, or vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFICATIONS

- | | | |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. The Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. The Contractor periodically conducts a self analysis or utilization analysis of its work force. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. The Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

 Authorized Official's Printed Name and Title

 Authorized Official's Signature

 Date

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Chapter 2.203.010 through 2.203.090
CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE

2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
 - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
 - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
 - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
 - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
 - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
 - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or

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7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.
- D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or
 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

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For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

Safely Surrendered *Baby Law*



*Babies can be safely surrendered
to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County*

No shame. No blame. No names.

In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723

www.babysafela.org



Safely Surrendered Baby Law

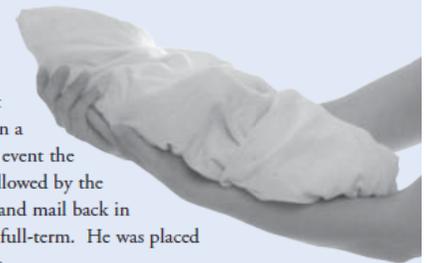
What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a baby, let her know there are other options. For three days (72 hours) after birth, a baby can be surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.



How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

Ley de Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*



Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles

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Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazaletes y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazaletes igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazaletes con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.



**Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Scientific Services Bureau
Biology Section**

1800 Paseo Rancho Castilla
Los Angeles, CA 90032
Phone: 323-267-6118

Request for DNA Laboratory Services

Work Order No: _____

Contractor Name: _____ Master Agreement No: _____

I. WORK ORDER SOLICITATION

Investigating Agency:	
File#/URN:	
Charge:	
Victim Name(s):	
Suspect Name(s):	
Lab Receipt Number or LIMS Number:	Evidence Description
Services Requested (including Requested Turnaround Time):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Contractor Bid (attach II and III) <input type="checkbox"/> Next Contractor in rotation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explanation)	
Sheriff's Department Contact George Hou Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Scientific Services Bureau 1800 Paseo Rancho Castilla Los Angeles, California 90032 (323) 260-6118 gyhou@lasd.org	

SERVICES

In accordance with Master Agreement Paragraph 5.2, Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or any other work, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified in the Master Agreement.

ALL TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. THE TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL GOVERN AND TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY CONFLICTING TERMS AND/OR CONDITIONS IN THIS WORK ORDER. NEITHER THE RATES NOR ANY OTHER SPECIFICATIONS IN THIS WORK ORDER ARE VALID OR BINDING IF THEY DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT.

Contractor's signature on this Work Order document confirms Contractor's awareness of, and agreement with, the provisions of Paragraph 5.2 of the Master Agreement, which establish that Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation whatsoever for any task, deliverable, service, or other work:

- A. That is not specified in this Work Order, and/or
- B. That is performed after the expiration or termination of the Master Agreement without a validly executed Work Order, regardless of any oral promise made to contractor by any county personnel whatsoever.

CONTRACTOR _____

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

II. CONTRACTOR’S BID

TESTING FEES: (SEXUAL ASSAULT KITS, SMALL ITEMS, LARGE/BULK ITEMS, SPECIALITY ITEMS, ETC.) STR TESTING FEES: (REFERENCE SAMPLE, BLOOD UNKNOWN, MIXED STRAIN UNKNOWN) SPECIALITY TESTING FEES: (REFERENCE SAMPLE, BLOOD UNKNOWN, MIXED STRAIN UNKNOWN, BONE UNKNOWN, HAIR UNKNOWN)	QTY	FEES	TOTAL
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
Total Fees:			\$

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Signature: _____

Bid Amount: \$ _____

Name/Title: _____

Bid Due Date: _____

Date: _____

III. COUNTY ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACTOR'S BID

The County hereby accepts the Contractor's bid above for the performance of Services under this Work Order and the Master Agreement.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES _____

Signature: _____

Name/Title: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT G

FORMS REQUIRED FOR EACH WORK ORDER BEFORE WORK BEGINS

- G1 CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE STATUS
- G2 CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- G3 CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
- G4 COVID-19 VACCINATION CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

**DNA LABORATORY SERVICES
MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER**

CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE STATUS

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until County receives this executed document.)

CONTRACTOR NAME

Work Order No. _____ County Master Agreement No. _____

I CERTIFY THAT: (1) I am an Authorized Official of Contractor; (2) the individual(s) named below is(are) this organization's employee(s); (3) applicable state and federal income tax, FICA, unemployment insurance premiums, and workers' compensation insurance premiums, in the correct amounts required by state and federal law, will be withheld as appropriate, and paid by Contractor for the individual(s) named below for the entire time period covered by the attached Work Order.

EMPLOYEES

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Official

Printed Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

**DNA LABORATORY SERVICES
MASTER AGREEMENT WORK ORDER**

CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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CONTRACTOR NAME

Work Order No. _____ County Master Agreement No. _____

Los Angeles County Code Section 2.180.010.A provides as follows:

“Certain contracts prohibited.

- A. Notwithstanding any other section of this code, the county shall not contract with, and shall reject any bid or proposal submitted by, the persons or entities specified below, unless the board of supervisors finds that special circumstances exist which justify the approval of such contract:
 - 1. Employees of the county or of public agencies for which the board of supervisors is the governing body;
 - 2. Profit-making firms or businesses in which employees described in subdivision 1 of subsection A serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders;
 - 3. Persons who, within the immediately preceding 12 months, came within the provisions of subdivision 1 of subsection A, and who:
 - a. Were employed in positions of substantial responsibility in the area of service to be performed by the contract; or
 - b. Participated in any way in developing the contract or its service specifications; and
 - 4. Profit-making firms or businesses in which the former employees, described in subdivision 3 of subsection A, serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders.”

Contractor hereby declares and certifies that no Contractor Personnel, nor any other person acting on Contractor's behalf, who prepared and/or participated in the preparation of the bid or proposal submitted for the Work Order specified above, is within the purview of County Code Section 2.180.010.A, above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Official

Printed Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until County receives this executed document.)

Contractor Name _____

Work Order No. _____

County Master Agreement No. _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractors (Contractor's Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor's sole responsibility. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff must rely exclusively upon Contractor for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable by virtue of Contractor's Staff's performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

Contractor and Contractor's Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. Contractor and Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that Contractor and Contractor's Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreement as a condition of work to be provided by Contractor's Staff for the County.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to County's Project Manager.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to Contractor and Contractor's Staff under the above-referenced Master Agreement. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, Contractor and Contractor's Staff shall keep such information confidential.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by Contractor and Contractor's Staff and/or by any other person of whom Contractor and Contractor's Staff become aware.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject Contractor and Contractor's Staff to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: ____/____/____

PRINTED NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance

Urgency Ordinance, County Code Title 2 – Administration, Division 4 – Miscellaneous – Chapter 2.212 (COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel)

I, _____, on behalf of _____,
[Project director or authorized principal] [Company / Contractor Name]

("Contractor"), **certify** that on County Contract Number _____ for

[Description of services provided]

_____ All Contractor Personnel on this Contract are fully vaccinated as required by the Ordinance.

_____ Most Contractor Personnel on this Contract are fully vaccinated as required by the Ordinance. The Contractor or its employer of record has granted a valid medical or religious exemption to the below identified Contractor Personnel. Contractor will certify weekly that the following unvaccinated Contractor Personnel have tested negative within 72 hours of starting their work week under the County Contract, unless the contracting County department requires otherwise. The Contractor Personnel who have been granted a valid medical or religious exemption are [LIST ALL CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL]:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

I have authority to bind the Contractor, and have reviewed the requirements above and further certify that I will comply with said requirements.

Signature

Date

Title

Company/Contractor Name

CONTRACT DISCREPANCY REPORT

TO:

FROM:

DATES: Prepared: _____

Returned by Contractor: _____

Action Completed: _____

DISCREPANCY PROBLEMS: _____

Signature of County Representative Date

CONTRACTOR RESPONSE (Cause and Corrective Action): _____

Signature of Contractor Representative Date

COUNTY EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR RESPONSE: _____

Signature of Contractor Representative Date

COUNTY ACTIONS: _____

CONTRACTOR NOTIFIED OF ACTION:

County Representative's Signature and Date _____

Contractor Representative's Signature and Date _____



LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
DNA LABORATORY TESTING SERVICES

EXHIBIT I

PRICE SHEET

Part I

FEES (NOT TO EXCEED)

TESTING FEES

Sexual Assault Kit Screening

Small Items Screening (swab)
Blood, Semen, Saliva

Bulk/Large Items
Bulk Clothing, Comforters, etc.

Specialty Items Screening for Trace DNA
Cartridge cases, rocks, etc.

OTHER FEES

Cancellation Fee per case

Rush Fee per case

Discount Fee
Indicate terms:

Part II

STR TESTING FEES

Reference Sample

Blood / Non-Differential Unknown

Mixed Stain / Differential Unknown

OTHER FEES

Cancellation Fee per case

Rush Fee per case

Discount Fee
Indicate terms:

Part III

	mtDNA	Y-STR
Reference Sample	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Blood / Non-Differential Unknown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Mixed Stain / Differential Unknown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Bone Unknown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Hair Unknown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

OTHER FEES

Cancellation Fee per case

Rush Fee per case

Discount Fee
Indicate terms:

Approved:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SUBSEQUENT EXECUTED WORK ORDERS

(Not attached to this Master Agreement, but incorporated by reference)