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GUIDELINES

for Non-Construction Projects
\$50,000 and under

Please note: 2015 and forward Not-for-Profit grantee recipients – If you have already supplied a Disclosure & Accountability Certification and/or Vendor Integrity Questionnaire for your Organization during the Pre-Award process you **DO NOT need to resubmit these documents.*

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PROGRAM GUIDELINES
**FOR LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE STATE GRANTS THROUGH THE OFFICE OF PARKS,
RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION (OPRHP)**



If your project

- involves any cosmetic or structural change to a building,
- involves installation of any type of fixture, or
- involves any ground disturbance,

it may be considered a **CONSTRUCTION** project, and so may require additional guidance. Regardless of the size or dollar amount of the project, you should discuss it with your Regional Grants Administrator before starting any paperwork.



Some examples of projects that may be considered construction are:

- Building rehabilitation
- Construction or replacement of playground equipment
- Installation of ball fields, utility lines, and other recreational amenities
- Activities whose costs are part of a larger construction project
- Activities that require Archeology review (any ground disturbance)
- Activities that require Environmental review under SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review)
- Activities that require professionally drafted engineering plans and specifications



INTRODUCTION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Your organization has received a Legislative grant that will be administered by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). These Guidelines will explain how to receive and account for these funds.

Funds granted through OPRHP are considered restricted. To meet state requirements, grantees will need to follow certain procedures and provide/maintain specific documentation.

The Regional Grants Administrator assigned to your county is your point of contact, to whom you should direct all questions. If you cannot access websites referenced in this document, the Regional Grants Administrator can send you hard copies of forms and instructions.

Payment can only be made to organizations **that have been issued a Vendor Identification Number (VID) through the Statewide Financial System (SFS).** If your organization has not yet been issued a VID, we will initiate the process with the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) based on the information you provide in a Form W-9 available at https://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/forms/ac3237s_fe.pdf. Complete and submit it with your grant forms. It is essential that this information be accurate and kept up to date, as the statewide vendor record is validated to the IRS database of legal name associated with the Federal Employee ID Number (FEIN). OSC will contact your organization directly to issue your VID and advise you to sign into the **SFS Vendor Portal** where you can monitor payments from all state agencies and keep current the information that OSC uses to process your payments.

To receive your grant funds, you must do the following:

NOTE: NO PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE UNTIL ALL **PAST DUE** FINAL REPORTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED AND APPROVED.

1. Read Guidelines: By signing the Signature Pages, you are agreeing to all of the terms and conditions of these Guidelines.
2. Complete the **Identification Form** – submit **ONE**.
3. The governing body of the organization/municipality must adopt the enclosed **Resolution for Authority to Sign Legal Documents** exactly as written – submit the original and **ONE** copy.
4. Review name, address, and vendor identification information on the **Face Page** for accuracy; complete missing information and correct any errors. Submit **THREE** originals.
5. Sign up for Direct Deposit. The State requires that payments to grantees be made electronically. Once you have your VID, go to <http://www.sfs.ny.gov> and sign into the Vendor Portal for enrollment instructions.
6. Sign and have notarized all **THREE Signature Pages**. **All three signatures and notarizations must be original, and all dates must be the same** – submit **THREE** originals.
7. Complete **Attachment B (Budget)** – submit **THREE** copies.
8. Provide a **Project Narrative**: Briefly describe (on a separate page or in the box on Attachment C) the project being funded by the grant, explain how the expenses included in your Attachment B

(Budget) meet the legislative intent of the grant, and clearly define the project term (start and end dates of the contract) – submit **TWO** copies.

9. Complete **Grantee Certification** including grant amount – submit the original.
10. Complete Block 4 of the State Aid Voucher (your organization name/address) and sign and date in Block 8. **Do not fill in any other part of the voucher** – submit the original.

Not-for-Profit Organizations

11. If your cumulative grants with the State are greater than \$5,000 you are required to complete **Vendor Prequalification** on the Grants Management Website <https://grantsmanagement.ny.gov/get-prequalified>. If you prequalify through the NYS Grants Gateway, print and submit the **Prequalification Status Report**.

If your cumulative grants are \$5,000 or less, you will need to complete the smaller **Vendor Integrity Questionnaire**. The questionnaire is available on the Grants Management Website <https://grantsmanagement.ny.gov> under the “Training and Guidance” section under “For State Agencies”. Print it, fill out, sign, have notarized and submit.

12. Complete the **Disclosure and Accountability Certification** by adding sponsor’s name to **Item IV**. Sign, have notarized and submit **Original and one copy**.
13. Ensure that your organization is current with the filing of all required reports with the Charities Bureau of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG), State Education Department (SED), or Department of State (DOS) before you submit this Master Contract for Grants. Deficiencies in charities reporting will delay your payment.
14. Provide proof of coverage, or exemption from coverage, for both Workers Compensation and Disability Insurance.

The following are the only acceptable means of proof (Please note that **ACORD forms are not acceptable proof of coverage**):

Disability Benefits:

- CE-200: Certificate of Attestation of Exemption from NYS Worker’s Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage*; or
- DB-120.1: Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance**; or
- DB-155: Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance***.

Workers’ Compensation:

- CE-200: Certificate of Attestation of Exemption from NYS Worker’s Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage*; or
- C-105.2(9-07): Certificate of Workers’ Compensation Insurance**; note: the State Insurance Fund provides its own version of this form, the U-26.3; or
- SI-12: Certificate of Workers’ Compensation Self-Insurance***

*issued by the Workers’ Compensation Board; generally applies only to entities with NO employees in New York. See http://www.wcb.ny.gov/content/ebiz/wc_db_exemptions/wc_db_exemptions.jsp

issued by your insurance carrier *from the Self-Insurance Office of the Workers’ Compensation Board [518-402-0247]

DEFINITIONS

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS: If your project involves any of the items described on page 5, these guidelines may not be appropriate for your project. Please contact your Regional Grants Administrator before completing any paperwork.



GRANTEE: Your organization, the recipient of the funds, is the grantee. Some documents may identify the grantee using other terms, such as contractor or vendor, but for this program all such terms are equivalent.

PROMPT CONTRACTING (ARTICLE 11-B): Funds for your project must be expended within a specific time, identified on the Face Page of the Master Contract for Grants as the “Initial Contract Term.” Since the legislative sponsors intended that these funds would support your organization’s expenses during the Fiscal Year (April 1-March 31) in which they were awarded, the start date can be as early as April 1 of the year awarded. However, State Prompt Contracting Law (Article 11-B of the State Finance Law) assumes that project work will not begin until after the contract is executed. To allow time for processing paperwork, we recommend a start date six weeks after you submit the necessary documents to us. If you wish to apply the grant to expenses incurred prior to that, please execute the “**Waiver of Interest Agreement**,” which is available online at <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/forms-resources.aspx>. Please also note your desired start date on the Identification Form and in your Project Narrative. The end date of the Master Contract for Grants has been set as March 31, which is the close of the fiscal year (of award or of any reappropriation). This date can be extended if the funds are reappropriated in a subsequent fiscal year.

FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): All organizations MUST have a Federal ID number even if there are no paid employees. If you do not have one, contact the Internal Revenue Service at www.irs.gov/businesses/small/article/0,,id=102767,00.html.

NYS CHARITIES REGISTRATION NUMBER: All not-for-profit organizations that receive grants from NYS must have a NYS Charities Registration Number from the Charities Bureau of the Office of the Attorney General. This is NOT the same number as the NYS sales tax exempt number, or the Federal Employer Identification Number. Requirements, further information and forms can be found at: <https://www.charitiesnys.com/>.

Some organizations may also be chartered by the State Education Department or Department of State. Your reporting requirements must be current with the appropriate agency before you submit this Master Contract for Grants. Your Regional Grants Administrator will confirm the status of your reports. Delinquency will prevent your project from being processed until status is current. If your organization is delinquent, it is your responsibility to rectify the situation and notify OPRHP once status is current.

CONTRACT TERM (listed on the Face Page of the Master Contract for Grants): **Only services performed, or goods delivered, between the start and end dates of your contract are allowable.**

PUBLIC BENEFIT: All projects must result in a public benefit of a secular nature. If you are a sectarian entity, fraternal organization or private club, contact your Regional Grants Administrator to discuss the public benefit being derived from the use of these funds.

STATE OF NEW YORK MASTER CONTRACT FOR GRANTS: This is your contract for the funds. The Standard Terms and Conditions and standardized Attachments are included in these Guidelines. **Your organization is referred to as Contractor throughout the Master Contract.**

CONTENTS OF THE MASTER CONTRACT FOR GRANTS

FACE AND SIGNATURE PAGES:

Before you sign the Signature Pages, review the Face Page information and verify that it is correct. If it is incorrect and the change is minor, **cross out the incorrect information on all three originals, legibly print the correct information, and initial the change**. If the change is more extensive, contact your Regional Grants Administrator, who will let you know if you can correct it yourself or if we should send you revised Face Pages. For your review of the Face Pages:

1. Verify that the **CONTRACTOR DOS INCORPORATED NAME** is the legal name of your organization.
2. Verify that the **CONTRACTOR PRIMARY MAILING ADDRESS** is the correct mailing address.
3. Verify the **NYS Vendor ID Number**.
4. Verify that the correct box is checked under **CONTRACTOR STATUS**.
5. For **Not-for-Profits**:
 - a. Verify/Add the **Charities Registration Number or Exemption Status Code**.
 - b. Verify that the **Sectarian** entity box is checked correctly.

You will complete and return **three originals** of both the **Face** and the **Signature pages**.

ATTACHMENT B (PROJECT BUDGET): This document lists all of the allowable expenses, or work elements, eligible for funding by this grant program. If your project necessitates a work element not listed on Attachment B, contact your Regional Grants Administrator before signing and submitting these forms.

An Attachment B will be attached to each of the THREE copies of the State of New York Master Contract for Grants face and signature pages. Please **FILL IN** the appropriate lines with the costs being incurred under the grant. Place a "0" or "N/A" on the lines that do not apply. Be sure that these costs correspond to the purpose of the funds identified just above the budget categories following the term "**solely and directly for,**" that every line has a dollar amount or "0" or "N/A," and that the amounts total the grant award.

Once the Master Contract for Grants is signed by you and the State, changes to Attachment B (Budget) can only be made with the approval of OPRHP. Please contact your Regional Grants Administrator if changes are needed.

Do not pay for any expenses in cash.

Restrictions on use of funds – The following items and costs associated with them are **NOT** eligible. The list of restricted items includes, but is not limited to:

Scholarships	Late Fees	Refundable Deposits
Prizes and Awards	Ticket Subsidies	Re-grants
Consumables (Food and Beverages)	Receptions	Fines
Lobbying	Sales, Property Taxes	Endowments and Revolving Funds
Fundraising Events	*Sectarian Activities	Uniforms to be kept by the wearer

*Sectarian Activities: This includes any activity that benefits a religious organization in any way beyond that which is provided for the general public or that requires religious observance.

ADDITIONAL FORMS TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO PROCESS YOUR CONTRACT FOR GRANTS AND PAYMENT

IDENTIFICATION FORM: Complete the ID form. Please note that the information provided here will be verified with the statewide vendor records, which OSC uses to process payments. Any discrepancy in Legal Name, FEIN, or contact information may delay processing of your payment.

RESOLUTION: The Board of Directors, or appropriate governing body of the organization, must adopt the enclosed Resolution for Authority to Sign Legal Documents, exactly as worded. It is not necessary to send the approved minutes of the meeting, but the Secretary or recording official of the organization (not the authorized signer) must certify that the Resolution was adopted exactly as written.

DISCLOSURE AND ACCOUNTABILITY CERTIFICATION (Not-for-profits only): **In item IV, please indicate the name of the legislative sponsor who awarded the grant, sign and have notarized.**

GRANTEE CERTIFICATION: This form must accompany the voucher for payment to be processed. Please complete the form, print name, sign and date form in the appropriate place.

STATE AID VOUCHER: This document is used to process your payment. **Complete sections 4 and 8 ONLY, leaving “name of municipality” blank. Do not complete any other sections of this form.** This document can also be downloaded from <http://parks.ny.gov/grants/forms-resources.aspx>

PROJECT NARRATIVE: In the space provided in Attachment C or on a separate sheet, provide a **brief** description of the project to be funded by this grant. This narrative should reflect the legislative intent of the grant award, as described in the “solely and directly” statement in Attachment C (Work Plan), explain Attachment B expenditures, and clearly define the project term (start and end dates of the contract).

FORMS NOT INCLUDED HERE BUT REQUIRED FOR CLOSEOUT:

FINAL REPORT: Unless otherwise specified in the Master Contract for Grants, the Final Report is due within 60 days after grant funds have been spent, or 60 days after the contract end date, whichever comes first. Final Report forms and instructions are available online at <http://parks.ny.gov/grants/forms-resources.aspx>. The final report must be submitted to your Regional Grants Administrator.

A Final Report consists of:

1. An accounting of all expenses in EXPENSE SUMMARY format,
2. A signed GRANTEE CERTIFICATION Form, and
3. A brief narrative summarizing the project. If the project involved any type of work on buildings or grounds, include photographic documentation of the completed project,. Any change in project scope from that described in Attachment C (Work Plan), **MUST** be approved by the State; contact your Regional Grants Administrator to discuss before submitting the Final Report.

See Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) for additional details on final report requirements.

FAILURE TO SUBMIT FINAL REPORTS MAY JEOPARDIZE FUTURE GRANT PAYMENTS

REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

By signing your SIGNATURE PAGES, you are certifying that you have read and understood the Guidelines and the procurement and payment procedures and documentation required. Depending on the purpose of the funding, some of these rules will apply to your grant, while others will not. It is your responsibility to comply with the procedures and maintain ALL documentation in your file for a period of six years from close-out submission. [If your final report is inadequate, you will be contacted.] All documentation is subject to audit by both OPRHP and the Office of the State Comptroller. Do not send this documentation to OPRHP.

PROCUREMENT: Goods and services must be obtained (procured) in a manner to assure the prudent and economical use of grant monies, to facilitate the acquisition of goods and services of maximum quality at the lowest possible cost under the circumstances, and to guard against favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud and corruption.

Municipalities are required to have a written procurement policy, in accordance with General Municipal Law. Not-for-Profit organizations are encouraged to have a written procurement policy. For those organizations that do not have one, we offer the following procurement “Best Practices.”

A. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Consultants)

- For all consultant contracts, a request for proposals (RFP) should be developed. The following documentation should be maintained in your grant file.
 1. A copy of the RFP,
 2. A list of those persons or firms invited to respond to the RFP or a copy of the advertisement,
 3. A list of respondents (persons or firms) and their responses,
 4. A list of committee members who reviewed the responses,
 5. Criteria used to evaluate the responses,
 6. The reason the selected person or firm was chosen, and
 7. A copy of the contract with the selected consultant.
- For **ongoing services**, an RFP should be developed at the end of each contract term. For example, if you use the same auditing firm for a period of years, you should have a written agreement that includes an ending date. When the agreement ends, auditing services are subject to a new procurement. Contract/Agreements are recommended for periods of no longer than **FIVE** years.

B. PERFORMANCE SERVICES: Copies of contracts or performance agreements entered into for the services of performing artists, technicians, and others who are hired for a specific task, but are not on payroll, must be maintained in your grant file.

C. PURCHASE OR RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS: Documentation of the procurement process for such items must be maintained in your grant file.

- A grantee must maintain an inventory of equipment purchased from OPRHP funds.
- A list of model and serial numbers of items purchased must be maintained in your grant file. Such equipment must be available for visible inspection during the contract term as well as for a minimum of five years thereafter.
- Copies of rental agreements must be maintained in your grant file.

- D. PRINTING/PUBLICATIONS: OPRHP will fund printing expenses only if the product is available to the public free of charge. A copy of each publication must be maintained in your grant file.

ACCOUNTING REQUIREMENTS

All OPRHP funded expenditures must be identifiable in the accounting records as such. This is accomplished by writing "OPRHP" in the payroll records, cash disbursements journal, check register, on invoices, receipts, cancelled checks, and any other appropriate documents. Do not send any of these materials to OPRHP, unless requested.

The following must also be kept on file for six years from close-out.

- A. PAYROLL RECORDS - Each grantee must maintain complete and accurate records in the area of time-attendance and leave accruals for OPRHP-funded employees. Accurate recording of time (attendance and leave) accruals serves as the determinant of regular and overtime (if applicable) pay for both salaried and wage employees. In many instances, grantee employees are required to perform duties for several different grants. To obtain an equitable allocation of costs under such conditions, a proper distribution of time, based on accurate time records, is mandatory.

Accounting records for all employees must include the following:

- Wage or salary amount;
- Payroll register showing gross salary, deductions, net salary and check number;
- W-2 Form;
- W-4 Form;
- Time and attendance records for hourly employees;
- Evidence of payment by:
 1. Cancelled checks, or
 2. Records of direct deposit, or
 3. Bank statements
- Any fringe benefits charged against OPRHP funds must be backed up by a cost breakdown of specific benefits.

- B. RECORDS FOR ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES - Required records for all other OPRHP funded expenditures include the following:

Evidence of payment by:

- Cancelled checks, or
- Records of direct deposit, or
- Bank statements, and
- Credit card receipts, statements and proof that charge was paid.

C. CONSULTANTS, OUTSIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Signed contracts, and
- Invoices or logs of dates and hours worked, and
- Form 1099

D. EQUIPMENT

- Detailed invoices, and
- For online purchases, confirmation page or invoice, and
- Annual written inventory to include description, cost, date purchased, ID number, and date and means of disposition, if any.

E. SUPPLIES, MATERIALS, UTILITIES, INSURANCE

- Detailed invoices, or
- For online purchases, confirmation page or invoice

STATE OF NEW YORK MASTER CONTRACT FOR GRANTS

INTRODUCTION

Please note that your organization is referred to as the Contractor in this document.

Your Master Contract for Grants with New York State consists of THIRTY-FIVE pages:

Five individualized pages were previously sent to you:

- 1) The Face Page (2 pages)
- 2) The Signature Page
- 3) Attachment B - Budget
- 4) Attachment C - Work Plan

Please correct and/or complete these pages and submit them to OPRHP as previously instructed. Fully signed and executed copies will be returned to you.

Thirty standard pages follow in these Guidelines

State of New York Master Contract for Grants (25 pages)

Attachment A-1 - Program Specific Terms and Conditions (2 pages)

Attachment D - Payment and Reporting Schedule (3 pages)

These pages should be retained in your files and attached to the signed and executed copies of items 1 through 4 above when they are returned to you. These thirty-five pages together comprise your Master Contract for Grants.

**STATE OF NEW YORK
MASTER CONTRACT FOR GRANTS**

This State of New York Master Contract for Grants (Master Contract) is hereby made by and between the State of New York acting by and through the applicable State Agency (State) and the public or private entity (Contractor) identified on the face page hereof (Face Page).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the State has the authority to regulate and provide funding for the establishment and operation of program services, design or the execution and performance of construction projects, as applicable and desires to contract with skilled parties possessing the necessary resources to provide such services or work, as applicable; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is ready, willing and able to provide such program services or the execution and performance of construction projects and possesses or can make available all necessary qualified personnel, licenses, facilities and expertise to perform or have performed the services or work, as applicable, required pursuant to the terms of the Master Contract;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises, responsibilities, and covenants herein, the State and the Contractor agree as follows:

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. Executory Clause: In accordance with Section 41 of the State Finance Law, the State shall have no liability under the Master Contract to the Contractor, or to anyone else, beyond funds appropriated and available for the Master Contract.

B. Required Approvals: In accordance with Section 112 of the State Finance Law (or, if the Master Contract is with the State University of New York (SUNY) or City University of New York (CUNY), Section 355 or Section 6218 of the Education Law), if the Master Contract exceeds \$50,000 (or \$85,000 for contracts let by the Office of General Services, or the minimum thresholds agreed to by the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) for certain SUNY and CUNY contracts), or if this is an amendment for any amount to a contract which, as so amended, exceeds said statutory amount including, but not limited to, changes in amount, consideration, scope or contract term identified on the Face Page (Contract Term), it shall not be valid, effective or binding upon the State until it has been approved by, and filed with, the New York Attorney General Contract Approval Unit (AG) and OSC. If, by the Master Contract, the State agrees to give something other than money when the value or reasonably estimated value of such consideration exceeds \$10,000, it shall not be valid, effective or binding upon the State until it has been approved by, and filed with, the AG and OSC.

Budget Changes: An amendment that would result in a transfer of funds among program activities or budget cost categories that does not affect the amount, consideration, scope or other terms of such contract may be subject to the approval of the AG and OSC where the amount of such modification is, as a portion of the total value of the contract, equal to or greater than ten percent for contracts of less than five million dollars, or five percent for contracts of more than

five million dollars; and, in addition, such amendment may be subject to prior approval by the applicable State Agency as detailed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

C. Order of Precedence:

In the event of a conflict among (i) the terms of the Master Contract (including any and all attachments and amendments) or (ii) between the terms of the Master Contract and the original request for proposal, the program application or other attachment that was completed and executed by the Contractor in connection with the Master Contract, the order of precedence is as follows:

1. Standard Terms and Conditions
2. Modifications to the Face Page
3. Modifications to Attachment A-2¹, Attachment B, Attachment C and Attachment D
4. The Face Page
5. Attachment A-2², Attachment B, Attachment C and Attachment D
6. Modification to Attachment A-1
7. Attachment A-1
8. Other attachments, including, but not limited to, the request for proposal or program application

D. Funding: Funding for the term of the Master Contract shall not exceed the amount specified as “Contract Funding Amount” on the Face Page or as subsequently revised to reflect an approved renewal or cost amendment. Funding for the initial and subsequent periods of the Master Contract shall not exceed the applicable amounts specified in the applicable Attachment B form (Budget).

E. Contract Performance: The Contractor shall perform all services or work, as applicable, and comply with all provisions of the Master Contract to the satisfaction of the State. The Contractor shall provide services or work, as applicable, and meet the program objectives summarized in Attachment C (Work Plan) in accordance with the provisions of the Master Contract, relevant laws, rules and regulations, administrative, program and fiscal guidelines, and where applicable, operating certificate for facilities or licenses for an activity or program.

F. Modifications: To modify the Attachments or Face Page, the parties mutually agree to record, in writing, the terms of such modification and to revise or complete the Face Page and all the appropriate attachments in conjunction therewith. In addition, to the extent that such modification meets the criteria set forth in Section I.B herein, it shall be subject to the approval of the AG and

¹ To the extent that the modifications to Attachment A-2 are required by federal requirements and conflict with other provisions of the Master Contract, the modifications to Attachment A-2 shall supersede all other provisions of this Master Contract. See Section I(V).

² To the extent that the terms of Attachment A-2 are required by federal requirements and conflict with other provisions of the Master Contract, the federal requirements of Attachment A-2 shall supersede all other provisions of this Master Contract. See Section I(V).

OSC before it shall become valid, effective and binding upon the State. Modifications that are not subject to the AG and OSC approval shall be processed in accordance with the guidelines stated in the Master Contract.

G. Governing Law: The Master Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal Supremacy Clause requires otherwise.

H. Severability: Any provision of the Master Contract that is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability, without affecting in any way the remaining provisions hereof; provided, however, that the parties to the Master Contract shall attempt in good faith to reform the Master Contract in a manner consistent with the intent of any such ineffective provision for the purpose of carrying out such intent. If any provision is held void, invalid or unenforceable with respect to particular circumstances, it shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect in all other circumstances.

I. Interpretation: The headings in the Master Contract are inserted for convenience and reference only and do not modify or restrict any of the provisions herein. All personal pronouns used herein shall be considered to be gender neutral. The Master Contract has been made under the laws of the State of New York, and the venue for resolving any disputes hereunder shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

J. Notice:

1. All notices, except for notices of termination, shall be in writing and shall be transmitted either:
 - a) by certified or registered United States mail, return receipt requested;
 - b) by facsimile transmission;
 - c) by personal delivery;
 - d) by expedited delivery service; or
 - e) by e-mail.
2. Notices to the State shall be addressed to the Program Office designated in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions).
3. Notices to the Contractor shall be addressed to the Contractor's designee as designated in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions).
4. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given either at the time of personal delivery or, in the case of expedited delivery service or certified or registered United States mail, as of the date of first attempted delivery at the address and in the manner provided herein, or in the case of facsimile transmission or e-mail, upon receipt.
5. The parties may, from time to time, specify any new or different e-mail address, facsimile

number or address in the United States as their address for purpose of receiving notice under the Master Contract by giving fifteen (15) calendar days prior written notice to the other party sent in accordance herewith. The parties agree to mutually designate individuals as their respective representatives for the purposes of receiving notices under the Master Contract. Additional individuals may be designated in writing by the parties for purposes of implementation, administration, billing and resolving issues and/or disputes.

K. Service of Process: In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law & Rules (CPLR), Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service hereunder shall be complete upon Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon the State's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. Contractor must promptly notify the State, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service by the State to the last known address shall be sufficient. The Contractor shall have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete in which to respond.

L. Set-Off Rights: The State shall have all of its common law, equitable, and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State's option to withhold, for the purposes of set-off, any moneys due to the Contractor under the Master Contract up to any amounts due and owing to the State with regard to the Master Contract, any other contract with any State department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of the Master Contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the State for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies, or monetary penalties relative thereto. The State shall exercise its set-off rights in accordance with normal State practices including, in cases of setoff pursuant to an audit, the finalization of such audit by the State Agency, its representatives, or OSC.

M. Indemnification: The Contractor shall be solely responsible and answerable in damages for any and all accidents and/or injuries to persons (including death) or property arising out of or related to the services to be rendered by the Contractor or its subcontractors pursuant to this Master Contract. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State and its officers and employees from claims, suits, actions, damages and cost of every nature arising out of the provision of services pursuant to the Master Contract.

N. Non-Assignment Clause: In accordance with Section 138 of the State Finance Law, the Master Contract may not be assigned by the Contractor or its right, title or interest therein assigned, transferred, conveyed, sublet, or otherwise disposed of without the State's previous written consent, and attempts to do so shall be considered to be null and void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such prior written consent of an assignment of a contract, let pursuant to Article XI of the State Finance Law, may be waived at the discretion of the State Agency and with the concurrence of OSC, where the original contract was subject to OSC's approval, where the assignment is due to a reorganization, merger, or consolidation of the Contractor's business entity or enterprise. The State retains its right to approve an assignment and to require that the merged contractor demonstrate its responsibility to do business with the State. The Contractor may, however, assign its right to receive payments without the State's prior written consent unless the Master Contract concerns Certificates of Participation pursuant to Article 5-A of the State Finance Law.

O. Legal Action: No litigation or regulatory action shall be brought against the State of New York, the State Agency, or against any county or other local government entity with funds provided under

the Master Contract. The term “litigation” shall include commencing or threatening to commence a lawsuit, joining or threatening to join as a party to ongoing litigation, or requesting any relief from any of the State of New York, the State Agency, or any county, or other local government entity. The term “regulatory action” shall include commencing or threatening to commence a regulatory proceeding, or requesting any regulatory relief from any of the State of New York, the State Agency, or any county, or other local government entity.

P. No Arbitration: Disputes involving the Master Contract, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily authorized), but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

Q. Secular Purpose: Services performed pursuant to the Master Contract are secular in nature and shall be performed in a manner that does not discriminate on the basis of religious belief, or promote or discourage adherence to religion in general or particular religious beliefs.

R. Partisan Political Activity and Lobbying: Funds provided pursuant to the Master Contract shall not be used for any partisan political activity, or for activities that attempt to influence legislation or election or defeat of any candidate for public office.

S. Reciprocity and Sanctions Provisions: The Contractor is hereby notified that if its principal place of business is located in a country, nation, province, state, or political subdivision that penalizes New York State vendors, and if the goods or services it offers shall be substantially produced or performed outside New York State, the Omnibus Procurement Act 1994 and 2000 amendments (Chapter 684 and Chapter 383, respectively) require that it be denied contracts which it would otherwise obtain.³

T. Reporting Fraud and Abuse: Contractor acknowledges that it has reviewed information on how to prevent, detect, and report fraud, waste and abuse of public funds, including information about the Federal False Claims Act, the New York State False Claims Act, and whistleblower protections.

U. Non-Collusive Bidding: By submission of this bid, the Contractor and each person signing on behalf of the Contractor certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that its bid was arrived at independently and without collusion aimed at restricting competition. The Contractor further affirms that, at the time the Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered to the State a non-collusive binding certification on the Contractor’s behalf.

V. Federally Funded Grants: All of the Specific federal requirements that are applicable to the Master Contract are identified in Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants) hereto. To the extent that the Master Contract is funded in whole or part with federal funds, (i) the provisions of the Master Contract that conflict with federal rules, federal regulations, or federal program specific requirements shall not apply and (ii) the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal

³ As of October 9, 2012, the list of discriminatory jurisdictions subject to this provision includes the states of Alaska, Hawaii, Louisiana, South Carolina, West Virginia and Wyoming. Contact NYS Department of Economic Development for the most current list of jurisdictions subject to this provision.

rules, regulations and program specific requirements including, but not limited to, those provisions that are set forth in Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants) hereto.

II. TERM, TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION

A. Term: The term of the Master Contract shall be as specified on the Face Page, unless terminated sooner as provided herein.

B. Renewal:

1. **General Renewal:** The Master Contract may consist of successive periods on the same terms and conditions, as specified within the Master Contract (a “Simplified Renewal Contract”). Each additional or superseding period shall be on the forms specified by the State and shall be incorporated in the Master Contract.

2. **Renewal Notice to Not-for-Profit Contractors:**

a) Pursuant to State Finance Law §179-t, if the Master Contract is with a not-for-profit Contractor and provides for a renewal option, the State shall notify the Contractor of the State’s intent to renew or not to renew the Master Contract no later than ninety (90) calendar days prior to the end of the term of the Master Contract, unless funding for the renewal is contingent upon enactment of an appropriation. If funding for the renewal is contingent upon enactment of an appropriation, the State shall notify the Contractor of the State’s intent to renew or not to renew the Master Contract the later of: (1) ninety (90) calendar days prior to the end of the term of the Master Contract, and (2) thirty (30) calendar days after the necessary appropriation becomes law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the State is unable to comply with the time frames set forth in this paragraph due to unusual circumstances beyond the control of the State (“Unusual Circumstances”), no payment of interest shall be due to the not-for-profit Contractor. For purposes of State Finance Law §179-t, “Unusual Circumstances” shall not mean the failure by the State to (i) plan for implementation of a program, (ii) assign sufficient staff resources to implement a program, (iii) establish a schedule for the implementation of a program or (iv) anticipate any other reasonably foreseeable circumstance.

b) Notification to the not-for-profit Contractor of the State’s intent to not renew the Master Contract must be in writing in the form of a letter, with the reason(s) for the non-renewal included. If the State does not provide notice to the not-for-profit Contractor of its intent not to renew the Master Contract as required in this Section and State Finance Law §179-t, the Master Contract shall be deemed continued until the date the State provides the necessary notice to the Contractor, in accordance with State Finance Law §179-t. Expenses incurred by the not-for-profit Contractor during such extension shall be reimbursable under the terms of the Master Contract.

C. Termination:

1. Grounds:

- a) Mutual Consent: The Master Contract may be terminated at any time upon mutual written consent of the State and the Contractor.
- b) Cause: The State may terminate the Master Contract immediately, upon written notice of termination to the Contractor, if the Contractor fails to comply with any of the terms and conditions of the Master Contract and/or with any laws, rules, regulations, policies, or procedures that are applicable to the Master Contract.
- c) Non-Responsibility: In accordance with the provisions of Sections IV(N)(6) and (7) herein, the State may make a final determination that the Contractor is non-responsible (Determination of Non-Responsibility). In such event, the State may terminate the Master Contract at the Contractor's expense, complete the contractual requirements in any manner the State deems advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.
- d) Convenience: The State may terminate the Master Contract in its sole discretion upon thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.
- e) Lack of Funds: If for any reason the State or the Federal government terminates or reduces its appropriation to the applicable State Agency entering into the Master Contract or fails to pay the full amount of the allocation for the operation of one or more programs funded under this Master Contract, the Master Contract may be terminated or reduced at the State Agency's discretion, provided that no such reduction or termination shall apply to allowable costs already incurred by the Contractor where funds are available to the State Agency for payment of such costs. Upon termination or reduction of the Master Contract, all remaining funds paid to the Contractor that are not subject to allowable costs already incurred by the Contractor shall be returned to the State Agency. In any event, no liability shall be incurred by the State (including the State Agency) beyond monies available for the purposes of the Master Contract. The Contractor acknowledges that any funds due to the State Agency or the State of New York because of disallowed expenditures after audit shall be the Contractor's responsibility.
- f) Force Majeure: The State may terminate or suspend its performance under the Master Contract immediately upon the occurrence of a "force majeure." For purposes of the Master Contract, "Force majeure" shall include, but not be limited to, natural disasters, war, rebellion, insurrection, riot, strikes, lockout and any unforeseen circumstances and acts beyond the control of the State which render the performance of its obligations impossible.

2. Notice of Termination:

- a) Service of notice: Written notice of termination shall be sent by:
 - (i) personal messenger service; or

(ii) certified mail, return receipt requested and first class mail.

b) Effective date of termination: The effective date of the termination shall be the later of (i) the date indicated in the notice and (ii) the date the notice is received by the Contractor, and shall be established as follows:

(i) if the notice is delivered by hand, the date of receipt shall be established by the receipt given to the Contractor or by affidavit of the individual making such hand delivery attesting to the date of delivery; or

(ii) if the notice is delivered by registered or certified mail, by the receipt returned from the United States Postal Service, or if no receipt is returned, five (5) business days from the date of mailing of the first class letter, postage prepaid, in a depository under the care and control of the United States Postal Service.

3. Effect of Notice and Termination on State's Payment Obligations:

a) Upon receipt of notice of termination, the Contractor agrees to cancel, prior to the effective date of any prospective termination, as many outstanding obligations as possible, and agrees not to incur any new obligations after receipt of the notice without approval by the State.

b) The State shall be responsible for payment on claims for services or work provided and costs incurred pursuant to the terms of the Master Contract. In no event shall the State be liable for expenses and obligations arising from the requirements of the Master Contract after its termination date.

4. Effect of Termination Based on Misuse or Conversion of State or Federal Property:

Where the Master Contract is terminated for cause based on Contractor's failure to use some or all of the real property or equipment purchased pursuant to the Master Contract for the purposes set forth herein, the State may, at its option, require:

a) the repayment to the State of any monies previously paid to the Contractor; or

b) the return of any real property or equipment purchased under the terms of the Master Contract; or

c) an appropriate combination of clauses (a) and (b) of Section II(C)(4) herein.

Nothing herein shall be intended to limit the State's ability to pursue such other legal or equitable remedies as may be available.

D. Suspension: The State may, in its discretion, order the Contractor to suspend performance for a reasonable period of time. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor shall be given a formal written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor shall comply with the particulars of the notice. The State shall have no obligation to reimburse Contractor's expenses during such suspension period. Activities may resume at such time

as the State issues a formal written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Master Contract.

III. PAYMENT AND REPORTING

A. Terms and Conditions:

1. In full consideration of contract services to be performed, the State Agency agrees to pay and the Contractor agrees to accept a sum not to exceed the amount noted on the Face Page.
2. The State has no obligation to make payment until all required approvals, including the approval of the AG and OSC, if required, have been obtained. Contractor obligations or expenditures that precede the start date of the Master Contract shall not be reimbursed.
3. Contractor must provide complete and accurate billing invoices to the State in order to receive payment. Provided, however, the State may, at its discretion, automatically generate a voucher in accordance with an approved contract payment schedule. Billing invoices submitted to the State must contain all information and supporting documentation required by Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) and Section III(C) herein. The State may require the Contractor to submit billing invoices electronically.
4. Payment for invoices submitted by the Contractor shall only be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly authorized by the head of the State Agency, in the sole discretion of the head of such State Agency, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with OSC's procedures and practices to authorize electronic payments.
5. If travel expenses are an approved expenditure under the Master Contract, travel expenses shall be reimbursed at the lesser of the rates set forth in the written standard travel policy of the Contractor, the OSC guidelines, or United States General Services Administration rates. No out-of-state travel costs shall be permitted unless specifically detailed and pre-approved by the State.
6. Timeliness of advance payments or other claims for reimbursement, and any interest to be paid to Contractor for late payment, shall be governed by Article 11-A of the State Finance Law to the extent required by law.
7. Article 11-B of the State Finance Law sets forth certain time frames for the Full Execution of contracts or renewal contracts with not-for-profit organizations and the implementation of any program plan associated with such contract. For purposes of this section, "Full Execution" shall mean that the contract has been signed by all parties thereto and has obtained the approval of the AG and OSC. Any interest to be paid on a missed payment to the Contractor based on a delay in the Full Execution of the Master Contract shall be governed by Article 11-B of the State Finance Law.

B. Advance Payment and Recoupment:

1. Advance payments, which the State in its sole discretion may make to not-for-profit grant recipients, shall be made and recouped in accordance with State Finance Law Section 179(u), this Section and the provisions of Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).
2. Advance payments made by the State to not-for-profit grant recipients shall be due no later than thirty (30) calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the first day of the Contract Term or, if renewed, in the period identified on the Face Page.
3. For subsequent contract years in multi-year contracts, Contractor will be notified of the scheduled advance payments for the upcoming contract year no later than 90 days prior to the commencement of the contract year. For simplified renewals, the payment schedule (Attachment D) will be modified as part of the renewal process.
4. Recoupment of any advance payment(s) shall be recovered by crediting the percentage of subsequent claims listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) and Section III(C) herein and such claims shall be reduced until the advance is fully recovered within the Contract Term. Any unexpended advance balance at the end of the Contract Term shall be refunded by the Contractor to the State.
5. If for any reason the amount of any claim is not sufficient to cover the proportionate advance amount to be recovered, then subsequent claims may be reduced until the advance is fully recovered.

C. Claims for Reimbursement:

1. The Contractor shall submit claims for the reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the State under the Master Contract in accordance with this Section and the applicable claiming schedule in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

Vouchers submitted for payment shall be deemed to be a certification that the payments requested are for project expenditures made in accordance with the items as contained in the applicable Attachment B form (Budget) and during the Contract Term. When submitting a voucher, such voucher shall also be deemed to certify that: (i) the payments requested do not duplicate reimbursement from other sources of funding; and (ii) the funds provided herein do not replace funds that, in the absence of this grant, would have been made available by the Contractor for this program. Requirement (ii) does not apply to grants funded pursuant to a Community Projects Fund appropriation.

2. Consistent with the selected reimbursement claiming schedule in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall comply with the appropriate following provisions:
 - a) Quarterly Reimbursement: The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payments for work, projects, and services rendered as detailed and described in Attachment C (Work Plan).

The Contractor shall submit to the State Agency quarterly voucher claims and supporting documentation. The Contractor shall submit vouchers to the State Agency in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section III(A)(3) herein.

b. Monthly Reimbursement: The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payments for work, projects, and services rendered as detailed and described in Attachment C (Work Plan).

The Contractor shall submit to the State Agency monthly voucher claims and supporting documentation. The Contractor shall submit vouchers to the State Agency in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section III(A)(3) herein.

c. Biannual Reimbursement: The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payments for work, projects, and services rendered as detailed and described in Attachment C (Work Plan).

The Contractor shall submit to the State Agency biannually voucher claims and supporting documentation. The Contractor shall submit vouchers to the State Agency in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section III(A)(3) herein.

d. Milestone/Performance Reimbursement:⁴ Requests for payment based upon an event or milestone may be either severable or cumulative. A severable event/milestone is independent of accomplishment of any other event. If the event is cumulative, the successful completion of an event or milestone is dependent on the previous completion of another event.

Milestone payments shall be made to the Contractor when requested in a form approved by the State, and at frequencies and in amounts stated in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). The State Agency shall make milestone payments subject to the Contractor's satisfactory performance.

e. Fee for Service Reimbursement:⁵ Payment shall be limited to only those fees specifically agreed upon in the Master Contract and shall be payable no more frequently than monthly upon submission of a voucher by the Contractor.

f) Rate Based Reimbursement:⁶ Payment shall be limited to rate(s) established in the Master Contract. Payment may be requested no more frequently than monthly.

g) Scheduled Reimbursement:⁷ The State Agency shall generate vouchers at the frequencies and amounts as set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule),

⁴ A milestone/ performance payment schedule identifies mutually agreed-to payment amounts based on meeting contract events or milestones. Events or milestones must represent integral and meaningful aspects of contract performance and should signify true progress in completing the Master Contract effort.

⁵ Fee for Service is a rate established by the Contractor for a service or services rendered.

⁶ Rate based agreements are those agreements in which payment is premised upon a specific established rate per unit.

⁷ Scheduled Reimbursement agreements provide for payments that occur at defined and regular intervals that provide for a specified dollar amount to be paid to the Contractor at the beginning of each payment period (i.e. quarterly, monthly or bi-annually). While these payments are related to the particular services and outcomes defined in the Master Contract, they are not dependent upon particular services or expenses in any one payment period and provide the Contractor with a defined and regular payment over the life of the contract.

and service reports shall be used to determine funding levels appropriate to the next annual contract period.

h) Fifth Quarter Payments:⁸ Fifth quarter payment shall be paid to the Contractor at the conclusion of the final scheduled payment period of the preceding contract period. The State Agency shall use a written directive for fifth quarter financing. The State Agency shall generate a voucher in the fourth quarter of the current contract year to pay the scheduled payment for the next contract year.

- 3 The Contractor shall also submit supporting fiscal documentation for the expenses claimed.
4. The State reserves the right to withhold up to fifteen percent (15%) of the total amount of the Master Contract as security for the faithful completion of services or work, as applicable, under the Master Contract. This amount may be withheld in whole or in part from any single payment or combination of payments otherwise due under the Master Contract. In the event that such withheld funds are insufficient to satisfy Contractor's obligations to the State, the State may pursue all available remedies, including the right of setoff and recoupment.
5. The State shall not be liable for payments on the Master Contract if it is made pursuant to a Community Projects Fund appropriation if insufficient monies are available pursuant to Section 99-d of the State Finance Law.
6. All vouchers submitted by the Contractor pursuant to the Master Contract shall be submitted to the State Agency no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the end date of the period for which reimbursement is claimed. In no event shall the amount received by the Contractor exceed the budget amount approved by the State Agency, and, if actual expenditures by the Contractor are less than such sum, the amount payable by the State Agency to the Contractor shall not exceed the amount of actual expenditures.
7. All obligations must be incurred prior to the end date of the contract. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section III(C)(6) above, with respect to the final period for which reimbursement is claimed, so long as the obligations were incurred prior to the end date of the contract, the Contractor shall have up to ninety (90) calendar days after the contract end date to make expenditures; provided, however, that if the Master Contract is funded in whole or in part with federal funds, the Contractor shall have up to sixty (60) calendar days after the contract end date to make expenditures.

D. Identifying Information and Privacy Notification:

1. Every voucher or New York State Claim for Payment submitted to a State Agency by the Contractor, for payment for the sale of goods or services or for transactions (e.g., leases, easements, licenses, etc.) related to real or personal property, must include the Contractor's Vendor Identification Number assigned by the Statewide Financial System, and any or all of the following identification numbers: (i) the Contractor's Federal employer identification number, (ii) the Contractor's Federal social security number, and/or (iii) DUNS number. Failure to

⁸ Fifth Quarter Payments occur where there are scheduled payments and where there is an expectation that services will be continued through renewals or subsequent contracts. Fifth Quarter Payments allow for the continuation of scheduled payments to a Contractor for the first payment period quarter of an anticipated renewal or new contract.

include such identification number or numbers may delay payment by the State to the Contractor. Where the Contractor does not have such number or numbers, the Contractor, on its voucher or Claim for Payment, must provide the reason or reasons for why the Contractor does not have such number or numbers.

2. The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by the seller or lessor to the State is mandatory. The principle purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law. The personal information is requested by the purchasing unit of the State Agency contracting to purchase the goods or services or lease the real or personal property covered by the Master Contract. This information is maintained in the Statewide Financial System by the Vendor Management Unit within the Bureau of State Expenditures, Office of the State Comptroller, 110 State Street, Albany, New York, 12236.

E. Refunds:

1. In the event that the Contractor must make a refund to the State for Master Contract-related activities, including repayment of an advance or an audit disallowance, payment must be made payable as set forth in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions). The Contractor must reference the contract number with its payment and include a brief explanation of why the refund is being made. Refund payments must be submitted to the Designated Refund Office at the address specified in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions).

2. If at the end or termination of the Master Contract, there remains any unexpended balance of the monies advanced under the Master Contract in the possession of the Contractor, the Contractor shall make payment within forty-five (45) calendar days of the end or termination of the Master Contract. In the event that the Contractor fails to refund such balance the State may pursue all available remedies.

F. Outstanding Amounts Owed to the State: Prior period overpayments (including, but not limited to, contract advances in excess of actual expenditures) and/or audit recoveries associated with the Contractor may be recouped against future payments made under this Master Contract to Contractor. The recoupment generally begins with the first payment made to the Contractor following identification of the overpayment and/or audit recovery amount. In the event that there are no payments to apply recoveries against, the Contractor shall make payment as provided in Section III(E) (Refunds) herein.

G. Program and Fiscal Reporting Requirements:

1. The Contractor shall submit required periodic reports in accordance with the applicable schedule provided in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). All required reports or other work products developed pursuant to the Master Contract must be completed as provided by the agreed upon work schedule in a manner satisfactory and acceptable to the State Agency in order for the Contractor to be eligible for payment.

2. Consistent with the selected reporting options in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall comply with the following applicable provisions:

a) If the Expenditure Based Reports option is indicated in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall provide the State Agency with one or more of the following reports as required by the following provisions and Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) as applicable:

(i) *Narrative/Qualitative Report*: The Contractor shall submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), a report, in narrative form, summarizing the services rendered during the quarter. This report shall detail how the Contractor has progressed toward attaining the qualitative goals enumerated in Attachment C (Work Plan). This report should address all goals and objectives of the project and include a discussion of problems encountered and steps taken to solve them.

(ii) *Statistical/Quantitative Report*: The Contractor shall submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), a detailed report analyzing the quantitative aspects of the program plan, as appropriate (e.g., number of meals served, clients transported, patient/client encounters, procedures performed, training sessions conducted, etc.)

(iii) *Expenditure Report*: The Contractor shall submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), a detailed expenditure report, by object of expense. This report shall accompany the voucher submitted for such period.

(iv) *Final Report*: The Contractor shall submit a final report as required by the Master Contract, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) which reports on all aspects of the program and detailing how the use of funds were utilized in achieving the goals set forth in Attachment C (Work Plan).

(v) *Consolidated Fiscal Report (CFR)*: The Contractor shall submit a CFR, which includes a year-end cost report and final claim not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

b) If the Performance-Based Reports option is indicated in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall provide the State Agency with the following reports as required by the following provisions and Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) as applicable:

(i) *Progress Report*: The Contractor shall provide the State Agency with a written progress report using the forms and formats as provided by the State Agency, summarizing the work performed during the period. These reports shall detail the Contractor's progress toward attaining the specific goals enumerated in Attachment C (Work Plan). Progress reports shall be submitted in a format prescribed in the Master Contract.

(ii) Final Progress Report: Final scheduled payment is due during the time period set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). The deadline for submission of the final report shall be the date set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). The State Agency shall complete its audit and notify the Contractor of the results no later than the date set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). Payment shall be adjusted by the State Agency to reflect only those services/expenditures that were made in accordance with the Master Contract. The Contractor shall submit a detailed comprehensive final progress report not later than the date set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), summarizing the work performed during the entire Contract Term (i.e., a cumulative report), in the forms and formats required.

3. In addition to the periodic reports stated above, the Contractor may be required (a) to submit such other reports as are required in Table 1 of Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), and (b) prior to receipt of final payment under the Master Contract, to submit one or more final reports in accordance with the form, content, and schedule stated in Table 1 of Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

H. Notification of Significant Occurrences:

1. If any specific event or conjunction of circumstances threatens the successful completion of this project, in whole or in part, including where relevant, timely completion of milestones or other program requirements, the Contractor agrees to submit to the State Agency within three (3) calendar days of becoming aware of the occurrence or of such problem, a written description thereof together with a recommended solution thereto.

2. The Contractor shall immediately notify in writing the program manager assigned to the Master Contract of any unusual incident, occurrence, or event that involves the staff, volunteers, directors or officers of the Contractor, any subcontractor or program participant funded through the Master Contract, including but not limited to the following: death or serious injury; an arrest or possible criminal activity that could impact the successful completion of this project; any destruction of property; significant damage to the physical plant of the Contractor; or other matters of a similarly serious nature.

IV. ADDITIONAL CONTRACTOR OBLIGATIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

A. Contractor as an Independent Contractor/Employees:

1. The State and the Contractor agree that the Contractor is an independent contractor and not an employee of the State and may neither hold itself out nor claim to be an officer, employee, or subdivision of the State nor make any claim, demand, or application to or for any right based upon any different status. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the recruitment, hiring, provision of employment benefits, payment of salaries and management of its project personnel. These functions shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Master Contract, and all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.

2. The Contractor warrants that it, its staff, and any and all subcontractors have all the necessary licenses, approvals, and certifications currently required by the laws of any applicable local, state, or Federal government to perform the services or work, as applicable, pursuant to the

Master Contract and/or any subcontract entered into under the Master Contract. The Contractor further agrees that such required licenses, approvals, and certificates shall be kept in full force and effect during the term of the Master Contract, or any extension thereof, and to secure any new licenses, approvals, or certificates within the required time frames and/or to require its staff and subcontractors to obtain the requisite licenses, approvals, or certificates. In the event the Contractor, its staff, and/or subcontractors are notified of a denial or revocation of any license, approval, or certification to perform the services or work, as applicable, under the Master Contract, Contractor shall immediately notify the State.

B. Subcontractors:

1. If the Contractor enters into subcontracts for the performance of work pursuant to the Master Contract, the Contractor shall take full responsibility for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors. Nothing in the subcontract shall impair the rights of the State under the Master Contract. No contractual relationship shall be deemed to exist between the subcontractor and the State.
2. The Contractor agrees not to enter into any subcontracts, or revisions to subcontracts, that are in excess of \$100,000 for the performance of the obligations contained herein until it has received the prior written permission of the State, which shall have the right to review and approve each and every subcontract in excess of \$100,000 prior to giving written permission to the Contractor to enter into the subcontract. All agreements between the Contractor and subcontractors shall be by written contract, signed by individuals authorized to bind the parties. All such subcontracts shall contain provisions for specifying (1) that the work performed by the subcontractor must be in accordance with the terms of the Master Contract, (2) that nothing contained in the subcontract shall impair the rights of the State under the Master Contract, and (3) that nothing contained in the subcontract, nor under the Master Contract, shall be deemed to create any contractual relationship between the subcontractor and the State. In addition, subcontracts shall contain any other provisions which are required to be included in subcontracts pursuant to the terms herein.
3. Prior to executing a subcontract, the Contractor agrees to require the subcontractor to provide to the State the information the State needs to determine whether a proposed subcontractor is a responsible vendor.
4. When a subcontract equals or exceeds \$100,000, the subcontractor must submit a Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire (Questionnaire).
5. When a subcontract is executed, the Contractor must provide detailed subcontract information (a copy of subcontract will suffice) to the State within fifteen (15) calendar days after execution. The State may request from the Contractor copies of subcontracts between a subcontractor and its subcontractor.
6. The Contractor shall require any and all subcontractors to submit to the Contractor all financial claims for Services or work to the State agency, as applicable, rendered and required supporting documentation and reports as necessary to permit Contractor to meet claim deadlines and documentation requirements as established in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) and Section III. Subcontractors shall be paid by the Contractor on a timely basis after submitting the required reports and vouchers for reimbursement of services or work, as

applicable. Subcontractors shall be informed by the Contractor of the possibility of non-payment or rejection by the Contractor of claims that do not contain the required information, and/or are not received by the Contractor by said due date.

C. Use Of Material, Equipment, Or Personnel:

1. The Contractor shall not use materials, equipment, or personnel paid for under the Master Contract for any activity other than those provided for under the Master Contract, except with the State's prior written permission.
2. Any interest accrued on funds paid to the Contractor by the State shall be deemed to be the property of the State and shall either be credited to the State at the close-out of the Master Contract or, upon the written permission of the State, shall be expended on additional services or work, as applicable, provided for under the Master Contract.

D. Property:

1. Property is real property, equipment, or tangible personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of \$1,000 or more per unit.
 - a) If an item of Property required by the Contractor is available as surplus to the State, the State at its sole discretion, may arrange to provide such Property to the Contractor in lieu of the purchase of such Property.
 - b) If the State consents in writing, the Contractor may retain possession of Property owned by the State, as provided herein, after the termination of the Master Contract to use for similar purposes. Otherwise, the Contractor shall return such Property to the State at the Contractor's cost and expense upon the expiration of the Master Contract.
 - c) In addition, the Contractor agrees to permit the State to inspect the Property and to monitor its use at reasonable intervals during the Contractor's regular business hours.
 - d) The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining and repairing Property purchased or procured under the Master Contract at its own cost and expense. The Contractor shall procure and maintain insurance at its own cost and expense in an amount satisfactory to the State Agency, naming the State Agency as an additional insured, covering the loss, theft or destruction of such equipment.
 - e) A rental charge to the Master Contract for a piece of Property owned by the Contractor shall not be allowed.
 - f) The State has the right to review and approve in writing any new contract for the purchase of or lease for rental of Property (Purchase/Lease Contract) operated in connection with the provision of the services or work, as applicable, as specified in the Master Contract, if applicable, and any modifications, amendments, or extensions of an existing lease or purchase prior to its execution. If, in its discretion, the State disapproves of any Purchase/Lease Contract, then the State shall not be obligated to make any payments for such Property.

- g) No member, officer, director or employee of the Contractor shall retain or acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in any Property, paid for with funds under the Master Contract, nor retain any interest, direct or indirect, in such, without full and complete prior disclosure of such interest and the date of acquisition thereof, in writing to the Contractor and the State.
2. For non-Federally-funded contracts, unless otherwise provided herein, the State shall have the following rights to Property purchased with funds provided under the Master Contract:
 - a) For cost-reimbursable contracts, all right, title and interest in such Property shall belong to the State.
 - b) For performance-based contracts, all right, title and interest in such Property shall belong to the Contractor.
 3. For Federally funded contracts, title to Property whose requisition cost is borne in whole or in part by monies provided under the Master Contract shall be governed by the terms and conditions of Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants).
 4. Upon written direction by the State, the Contractor shall maintain an inventory of all Property that is owned by the State as provided herein.
 5. The Contractor shall execute any documents which the State may reasonably require to effectuate the provisions of this section.

E. Records and Audits:

1. General:

- a) The Contractor shall establish and maintain, in paper or electronic format, complete and accurate books, records, documents, receipts, accounts, and other evidence directly pertinent to its performance under the Master Contract (collectively, Records).
- b) The Contractor agrees to produce and retain for the balance of the term of the Master Contract, and for a period of six years from the later of the date of (i) the Master Contract and (ii) the most recent renewal of the Master Contract, any and all Records necessary to substantiate upon audit, the proper deposit and expenditure of funds received under the Master Contract. Such Records may include, but not be limited to, original books of entry (e.g., cash disbursements and cash receipts journal), and the following specific records (as applicable) to substantiate the types of expenditures noted:
 - (i) personal service expenditures: cancelled checks and the related bank statements, time and attendance records, payroll journals, cash and check disbursement records including copies of money orders and the like, vouchers and invoices, records of contract labor, any and all records listing payroll and the money value of non-cash advantages provided to employees, time cards, work schedules and logs, employee personal history folders, detailed and general ledgers, sales records, miscellaneous reports and returns (tax and otherwise), and cost allocation plans, if applicable.

(ii) payroll taxes and fringe benefits: cancelled checks, copies of related bank statements, cash and check disbursement records including copies of money orders and the like, invoices for fringe benefit expenses, miscellaneous reports and returns (tax and otherwise), and cost allocation plans, if applicable.

(iii) non-personal services expenditures: original invoices/receipts, cancelled checks and related bank statements, consultant agreements, leases, and cost allocation plans, if applicable.

(iv) receipt and deposit of advance and reimbursements: itemized bank stamped deposit slips, and a copy of the related bank statements.

c) The OSC, AG and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an examination, as well as the State Agency or State Agencies involved in the Master Contract that provided funding, shall have access to the Records during the hours of 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (excluding State recognized holidays), at an office of the Contractor within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the State, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying.

d) The State shall protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law provided that: (i) the Contractor shall timely inform an appropriate State official, in writing, that said records should not be disclosed; and (ii) said records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said records, as exempt under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law, is reasonable.

e) Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, the State's rights in connection with its audit and investigatory authority or the State's rights in connection with discovery in any pending or future litigation.

2. Cost Allocation:

a) For non-performance based contracts, the proper allocation of the Contractor's costs must be made according to a cost allocation plan that meets the requirements of OMB Circulars A-87, A-122, and/or A-21. Methods used to determine and assign costs shall conform to generally accepted accounting practices and shall be consistent with the method(s) used by the Contractor to determine costs for other operations or programs. Such accounting standards and practices shall be subject to approval of the State.

b) For performance based milestone contracts, or for the portion of the contract amount paid on a performance basis, the Contractor shall maintain documentation demonstrating that milestones were attained.

3. Federal Funds: For records and audit provisions governing Federal funds, please see Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants).

F. Confidentiality: The Contractor agrees that it shall use and maintain information relating to individuals who may receive services, and their families pursuant to the Master Contract, or any other information, data or records deemed confidential by the State (Confidential Information) only

for the limited purposes of the Master Contract and in conformity with applicable provisions of State and Federal law. The Contractor (i) has an affirmative obligation to safeguard any such Confidential Information from unnecessary or unauthorized disclosure and (ii) must comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208).

G. Publicity:

1. Publicity includes, but is not limited to: news conferences; news releases; public announcements; advertising; brochures; reports; discussions or presentations at conferences or meetings; and/or the inclusion of State materials, the State's name or other such references to the State in any document or forum. Publicity regarding this project may not be released without prior written approval from the State.

2. Any publications, presentations or announcements of conferences, meetings or trainings which are funded in whole or in part through any activity supported under the Master Contract may not be published, presented or announced without prior approval of the State. Any such publication, presentation or announcement shall:

a) Acknowledge the support of the State of New York and, if funded with Federal funds, the applicable Federal funding agency; and

b) State that the opinions, results, findings and/or interpretations of data contained therein are the responsibility of the Contractor and do not necessarily represent the opinions, interpretations or policy of the State or if funded with Federal funds, the applicable Federal funding agency.

3. Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor may submit for publication, scholarly or academic publications that derive from activity under the Master Contract (but are not deliverable under the Master Contract), provided that the Contractor first submits such manuscripts to the State forty-five (45) calendar days prior to submission for consideration by a publisher in order for the State to review the manuscript for compliance with confidentiality requirements and restrictions and to make such other comments as the State deems appropriate. All derivative publications shall follow the same acknowledgments and disclaimer as described in Section V(G)(2) (Publicity) hereof.

H. Web-Based Applications-Accessibility: Any web-based intranet and Internet information and applications development, or programming delivered pursuant to the Master Contract or procurement shall comply with New York State Enterprise IT Policy NYS-P08-005, Accessibility Web-Based Information and Applications, and New York State Enterprise IT Standard NYS-S08 005, Accessibility of Web-Based Information Applications, as such policy or standard may be amended, modified or superseded, which requires that State Agency web-based intranet and Internet information and applications are accessible to person with disabilities. Web content must conform to New York State Enterprise IT Standards NYS-S08-005, as determined by quality assurance testing. Such quality assurance testing shall be conducted by the State Agency and the results of such testing must be satisfactory to the State Agency before web content shall be considered a qualified deliverable under the Master Contract or procurement.

I. Non-Discrimination Requirements: Pursuant to Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor and subcontractors will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex (including gender expression), national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is a contract for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that the Master Contract shall be performed within the State of New York, the Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex, or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under the Master Contract. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, the Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under the Master Contract. The Contractor shall be subject to fines of \$50.00 per person per day for any violation of Section 220-e or Section 239 of the Labor Law.

J. Equal Opportunities for Minorities and Women; Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises: In accordance with Section 312 of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR 143, if the Master Contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of \$25,000.00, whereby a contracting State Agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the contracting State Agency; or (ii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby a contracting State Agency is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon; or (iii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby the owner of a State assisted housing project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon for such project, then the Contractor certifies and affirms that (i) it is subject to Article 15-A of the Executive Law which includes, but is not limited to, those provisions concerning the maximizing of opportunities for the participation of minority and women-owned business enterprises and (ii) the following provisions shall apply and it is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy that:

1. The Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status;
2. The Contractor shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on State contracts;
3. The Contractor shall undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Affirmative action shall mean recruitment, employment, job assignment,

promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation;

4. At the request of the State, the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union or representative shall not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative shall affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein; and

5. The Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of the State contract, all qualified applicants shall be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

The Contractor shall include the provisions of subclauses 1 – 5 of this Section (IV)(J), in every subcontract over \$25,000.00 for the construction, demolition, replacement, major repair, renovation, planning or design of real property and improvements thereon (Work) except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor. Section 312 of the Executive Law does not apply to: (i) work, goods or services unrelated to the Master Contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State. The State shall consider compliance by the Contractor or a subcontractor with the requirements of any Federal law concerning equal employment opportunity which effectuates the purpose of this section. The State shall determine whether the imposition of the requirements of the provisions hereof duplicate or conflict with any such Federal law and if such duplication or conflict exists, the State shall waive the applicability of Section 312 of the Executive Law to the extent of such duplication or conflict. The Contractor shall comply with all duly promulgated and lawful rules and regulations of the Department of Economic Development's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pertaining hereto.

K. Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992: It is the policy of New York State to maximize opportunities for the participation of New York State business enterprises, including minority and women-owned business enterprises, as bidders, subcontractors and suppliers on its procurement contracts.

1. If the total dollar amount of the Master Contract is greater than \$1 million, the Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 requires that by signing the Master Contract, the Contractor certifies the following:

- a) The Contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of State business enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors, including certified minority and women-owned business enterprises, on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to the State;
- b) The Contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92261), as amended;
- c) The Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Service Division of the New York State Department of Labor, or providing such notification

in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The Contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request; and

d) The Contractor acknowledges notice that the State may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of the Master Contract and agrees to cooperate with the State in these efforts.

L. Workers' Compensation Benefits:

1. In accordance with Section 142 of the State Finance Law, the Master Contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of the Master Contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.

2. If a Contractor believes they are exempt from the Workers Compensation insurance requirement they must apply for an exemption.

M. Unemployment Insurance Compliance: The Contractor shall remain current in both its quarterly reporting and payment of contributions or payments in lieu of contributions, as applicable, to the State Unemployment Insurance system as a condition of maintaining this grant.

The Contractor hereby authorizes the State Department of Labor to disclose to the State Agency staff only such information as is necessary to determine the Contractor's compliance with the State Unemployment Insurance Law. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. any records of unemployment insurance (UI) contributions, interest, and/or penalty payment arrears or reporting delinquency;
2. any debts owed for UI contributions, interest, and/or penalties;
3. the history and results of any audit or investigation; and
4. copies of wage reporting information.

Such disclosures are protected under Section 537 of the State Labor Law, which makes it a misdemeanor for the recipient of such information to use or disclose the information for any purpose other than the performing due diligence as a part of the approval process for the Master Contract.

N. Vendor Responsibility:

1. If a Contractor is required to complete a Questionnaire, the Contractor covenants and represents that it has, to the best of its knowledge, truthfully, accurately and thoroughly completed such Questionnaire. Although electronic filing is preferred, the Contractor may obtain a paper form from the OSC prior to execution of the Master Contract. The Contractor further covenants and represents that as of the date of execution of the Master Contract, there are no material events, omissions, changes or corrections to such document requiring an amendment to the Questionnaire.

2. The Contractor shall provide to the State updates to the Questionnaire if any material event(s) occurs requiring an amendment or as new information material to such Questionnaire becomes available.

3. The Contractor shall, in addition, promptly report to the State the initiation of any investigation or audit by a governmental entity with enforcement authority with respect to any alleged violation of Federal or state law by the Contractor, its employees, its officers and/or directors in connection with matters involving, relating to or arising out of the Contractor's business. Such report shall be made within five (5) business days following the Contractor becoming aware of such event, investigation, or audit. Such report may be considered by the State in making a Determination of Vendor Non-Responsibility pursuant to this section.

4. The State reserves the right, in its sole discretion, at any time during the term of the Master Contract:

- a) to require updates or clarifications to the Questionnaire upon written request;
- b) to inquire about information included in or required information omitted from the Questionnaire;
- c) to require the Contractor to provide such information to the State within a reasonable timeframe; and
- d) to require as a condition precedent to entering into the Master Contract that the Contractor agree to such additional conditions as shall be necessary to satisfy the State that the Contractor is, and shall remain, a responsible vendor; and
- e) to require the Contractor to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity. By signing the Master Contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with any such additional conditions that have been made a part of the Master Contract.

5. The State, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under the Master Contract, at any time, when it discovers information that calls into question the responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor shall be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Contract activity may resume at such time as the State issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Master Contract.

6. The State, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to make a final Determination of Non-Responsibility at any time during the term of the Master Contract based on:

- a) any information provided in the Questionnaire and/or in any updates, clarifications or amendments thereof; or
- b) the State's discovery of any material information which pertains to the Contractor's responsibility.

7. Prior to making a final Determination of Non-Responsibility, the State shall provide written notice to the Contractor that it has made a preliminary determination of non-responsibility. The State shall detail the reason(s) for the preliminary determination, and shall provide the Contractor with an opportunity to be heard.

O. Charities Registration: If applicable, the Contractor agrees to (i) obtain not-for-profit status, a Federal identification number, and a charitable registration number (or a declaration of exemption) and to furnish the State Agency with this information as soon as it is available, (ii) be in compliance with the OAG charities registration requirements at the time of the awarding of this Master Contract by the State and (iii) remain in compliance with the OAG charities registration requirements throughout the term of the Master Contract.

P. Consultant Disclosure Law:⁹ If this is a contract for consulting services, defined for purposes of this requirement to include analysis, evaluation, research, training, data processing, computer programming, engineering, environmental, health, and mental health services, accounting, auditing, paralegal, legal, or similar services, then in accordance with Section 163 (4-g) of the State Finance Law (as amended by Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006), the Contractor shall timely, accurately and properly comply with the requirement to submit an annual employment report for the contract to the agency that awarded the contract, the Department of Civil Service and the State Comptroller.

Q. Wage and Hours Provisions: If this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service contract covered by Article 9 thereof, neither Contractor's employees nor the employees of its subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said statutes, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law. Additionally, effective April 28, 2008, if this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law, the Contractor understands and agrees that the filing of payrolls in a manner consistent with Subdivision 3-a of Section 220 of the Labor Law shall be condition precedent to payment by the State of any State approved sums due and owing for work done upon the project.

⁹ Not applicable to not-for-profit entities.

ATTACHMENT A-1
PROGRAM SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS
LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE GRANTS

I. AGENCY SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. The **Program Office**, Designated Payment Office, and Designated Refund Office shall be the STATE AGENCY identified on the Face Page of this Master Contract. Document submission and enquiries concerning this Master Contract should be directed to the assigned contact (as identified in program Guidelines) for the Contractor's county of operations.

B. For purposes of notice, the **Contractor's designee** shall be the CONTRACTOR DOS INCORPORATED NAME at the CONTRACTOR PRIMARY MAILING ADDRESS, as identified on the Face Page hereof. Payment shall be made to the CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME at the CONTRACTOR PAYMENT ADDRESS identified on the Face Page hereof

C. Monies for this project are available through the Community Projects Fund created by 1996 amendments to the State Finance Law. Accounts in the Community Projects Fund have spending caps that limit the amount of monies that can be disbursed. The State will not be liable for payments pursuant to any contract, grant or agreement made pursuant to an appropriation in any account of this fund if insufficient monies are available for transfer to such account of this fund after required transfers pursuant to 99-d (3) of the State Finance Law.

II. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the Contractor to provide equal employment opportunity to all people without regard to race, color, sex, religion, age, national origin, disability, sexual preference, or Vietnam Era Veteran status. The Contractor is committed to assuring that the organization will act affirmatively to develop avenues of entry and mobility for minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and Vietnam Era Veterans through the following activities:

- Development of programmatic approaches to the elimination of all unjust exclusionary employment practices, policies and consequences;
- Development of educational and training programs for all employees, with emphasis on the Contractor's goals for upgrading minorities, women, individuals with disabilities and Vietnam Era Veterans;
- Development of personnel practices, policies and career ladders to assist and encourage upward mobility of employees restricted to lower levels;
- Development of mechanisms for swift and judicious resolution of complaints of discrimination consistent with the Contractor's policy, and other applicable statutes; and
- Provision of reasonable accommodations to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to enjoy equal employment opportunities and equal terms, conditions and privileges of employment.

To effectuate this policy, the Contractor has designed a plan that conforms with all relevant Federal and State non-discrimination laws and regulations including but not limited to: The Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Act of 1974, and the New York State Human Rights Law. The plan applies to all job classifications and titles in this organization's jurisdiction. It governs all the Contractor's employment policies, practices and actions including, but not limited to: recruitment, hiring, discipline, rate of pay or other compensation, advancement, reclassification, reallocation, promotion, demotion, discharge and employee benefits. The Contractor will ensure that its Affirmative Action Office is provided with all available resources necessary for the execution of its program responsibilities. Moreover, all managers, supervisors, and employees must make consistently diligent efforts to implement this policy in day-to-day program and employment decisions. Affirmative Action considerations will be an integral part of all organizational activities performed in the furtherance of the Contractor's mission and in meeting their responsibilities to the State's citizens.

ATTACHMENT D
PAYMENT AND REPORTING SCHEDULE

I. PAYMENT PROVISIONS

In full consideration of contract services to be performed the State Agency agrees to pay and the Contractor agrees to accept a sum not to exceed the amount noted on the face page hereof. All payments shall be in accordance with the budget contained in the applicable Attachment B form (Budget), which is attached hereto.

A. Advance Payment and Recoupment Language (if applicable):

1. The State agency will make an advance payment to the Contractor, during the initial period, in the amount of **one hundred percent (100%)** of the budget as set forth in the most recently approved applicable Attachment B (Budget). **Payment will be made in ONE LUMP SUM upon execution and approval of the Master Contract and upon submission of a Grantee Certification and a State Aid Voucher executed by an authorized officer.**
2. Recoupment of any advance payment(s) shall be recovered as specified **in Section III(E) (Refunds)**.
3. Scheduled advance payments shall be due in accordance with an approved payment schedule as follows:

Period: _____ Amount: _____ Due Date: _____

Period: _____ Amount: _____ Due Date: _____

Period: _____ Amount: _____ Due Date: _____

Period: _____ Amount: _____ Due Date: _____

B. Interim and/or Final Claims for Reimbursement

Claiming Schedule (*select applicable frequency*):

Quarterly Reimbursement
Due date _____

Monthly Reimbursement
Due date _____

Biannual Reimbursement
Due date _____

Fee for Service Reimbursement
Due date _____

- Rate Based Reimbursement
Due date _____
- Fifth Quarter Reimbursement
Due date _____
- Milestone/Performance Reimbursement
Due date/Frequency _____
- Scheduled Reimbursement
Due date/Frequency _____

II. REPORTING PROVISIONS

A. Expenditure-Based Reports (select the applicable report type):

- Narrative/Qualitative Report

The Contractor will submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than _____ days from the end of the quarter, the report described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(i) of the Master Contract

- Statistical/Quantitative Report

The Contractor will submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than _____ days from the end of the quarter, the report described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(ii) of the Master Contract.

- Expenditure Report

The Contractor will submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than _____ days after the end date for which reimbursement is being claimed, the report described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(iii) of the Master Contract.

- Final Report

The Contractor will submit the final report as described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(iv) of the Master Contract, no later than **sixty (60)** days after the end of the contract period. **Final Report instructions and forms can be found at parks.ny.gov/grants/forms-resources.aspx**

- Consolidated Fiscal Report (CFR)¹

The Contractor will submit the CFR on an annual basis, in accordance with the time frames designated in the CFR manual. For New York City contractors, the due date shall be May 1 of each year; for Upstate and Long Island contractors, the due date shall be November 1 of each year.

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¹ The Consolidated Fiscal Reporting System is a standardized electronic reporting method accepted by Office of Alcoholism & Substance Services, Office of Mental Health, Office of Persons with Developmental Disabilities and the State Education Department, consisting of schedules which, in different combinations, capture financial information for budgets, quarterly and/or mid-year claims, an annual cost report, and a final claim. The CFR, which must be submitted annually, is both a year-end cost report and a year-end claiming document.

B. Progress-Based Reports

1. Progress Reports

The Contractor shall provide the report described in Section III(G)(2)(b)(i) of the Master Contract in accordance with the forms and in the format provided by the State Agency, summarizing the work performed during the contract period (see Table 1 below for the annual schedule).

2. Final Progress Report

Final scheduled payment will not be due until ____ days after completion of agency’s audit of the final expenditures report/documentation showing total grant expenses submitted by vendor with its final invoice. Deadline for submission of the final report is _____. The agency shall complete its audit and notify vendor of the results no later than _____. The Contractor shall submit the report not later than ____ days from the end of the contract.

C. Other Reports

The Contractor shall provide reports in accordance with the form, content and schedule as set forth in Table 1.

TABLE I – REPORTING SCHEDULE

PROGRESS REPORT	PERIOD COVERED	DUE DATE

State Legislative Initiative Grants Administered by the
NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

IDENTIFICATION FORM

Incorporated Legal Name of Organization: _____

NYS Vendor Identification Number (VID): _____ (10 digits) If an ID has
not yet been issued, provide the **Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN)**
_____, as confirmed by your issuance letter from the IRS.

Printed or Typed Name of Authorized Official: _____

Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

_____ **9 digit zip code:** _____ - _____

NYS Charities Registration Number: _____

- Annual Charities reports filed with:** [] Charities Bureau, Office of the State Attorney General
[] State Education Department
[] Department of State
[] Exemption on file with the Charities Bureau

Project ID#: PKS-_____ **Grant Amount:** \$ _____

Contract Term : Contract Start Date: _____ Contract End Date: _____

Contact Person, Name: _____ **Phone #:** _____

Title: _____ **Alternate Phone #:** _____

E-Mail: _____ **Fax #:** _____

Address of contact person, if different from above:

Project Narrative: On a separate page or in the appropriate box on Attachment C (Work Plan), include a **brief** (one paragraph) description of the project to be funded by this grant. The narrative should reflect the legislative intent of the grant award (described under “solely and directly” on Attachment C (Work Plan) and should explain Attachment B expenditures.

Resolution for Authority to Sign Legal Documents

I, _____, the duly [elected and qualified secretary] **OR** [qualified and acting Clerk] of the [_____] of _____, New York, a corporation (Organization Name) (place) subject to the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of New York State and qualified for tax exempt status under the federal internal revenue code] **OR** [_____] (Municipality), New York], do hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted at a _____ meeting of the (regular) (special) _____ held on _____, and is [incorporated in the original minutes of (governing body) (date) said meeting] **OR** [on file and of record], and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Signed: _____

WHEREAS, this organization has received a Legislative Initiative grant in the New York State Budget; AND WHEREAS, there are specific requirements and regulations governing the expenditure of these funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, this body resolves the following:

1. Administration of all funds under this grant will be in accordance with all terms and conditions contained in the ***GUIDELINES for Non-Construction Projects \$50,000 and under*** _____ (publication date) provided by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation;
2. That _____, as _____ of our organization, (name) (title) is hereby authorized to sign legal documents on behalf of our organization and that such signature is acknowledgement of the acceptance by this body of compliance with all terms and conditions of the Master Contract for Grants Contract Number _____, to be executed for the grant.

DISCLOSURE & ACCOUNTABILITY CERTIFICATIONS*
*(The Contractor must attach the corresponding Legislative Initiative Form
prior to having this document signed and notarized.)*

I. No Conflict of Interest

Except as otherwise fully disclosed in a separate appendix attached to this Certification, the Contractor affirms, to the best of its knowledge, under penalty of perjury, that neither the Sponsoring Member(s) nor any Related Parties to Sponsoring Member(s) has any financial interest, direct or indirect, in the Contractor, or has received or will receive any financial benefit, either directly or indirectly, from the Contractor or its Related Parties from the matters contained in the attached Legislative Initiative Form or in any subsequent related Contract.

II. Good Standing

Except as otherwise fully disclosed in a separate appendix attached to this Certification, the Contractor affirms, to the best of its knowledge, under penalty of perjury, that:

- (A) At no time during the past five years has the Contractor: (1) been barred by a government agency from entering into a government contract as a result of inappropriate activity or unlawful conduct; (2) been convicted or charged with a felony or misdemeanor; or (3) failed to file federal, state or city tax returns or pay taxes owed; and
- (B) Neither the Contractor, nor any of the Contractor's Related Parties, has paid any third party or agent, either directly or indirectly, to aid in the securing of the attached Legislative Initiative Form or in any subsequent related Contract.

To the extent the answer to any of these questions is "yes," please describe the events and circumstances in an attached appendix to this Certification.

III. Funds Used Solely for Public Purpose

The Contractor affirms, to the best of its knowledge, under penalty of perjury, that all funds expended pursuant to the terms of any Contract related to the attached Legislative Initiative Form are intended to be used and will be used solely and directly for the public purpose or public purposes specified on the Legislative Initiative Form and elsewhere in any subsequent related Contract.

IV. Sponsoring Member(s)

The Sponsoring Member(s) of the local legislative initiative set forth in the attached Legislative Initiative Form, pursuant to which any subsequent related Contract will be funded is/are:

V. Definitions

As used herein in this Certification Appendix:

- (1) “Affiliate” means any person or entity that directly or indirectly controls or is controlled by or is under common control or ownership with the specified party.
- (2) “Contractor” means the party or parties receiving funds as set forth in the attached Legislative Initiative Form pursuant to the terms of any subsequent related Contract.
- (3) “Related Party” means: (i) the party’s spouse, (ii) natural or adopted descendants of the party or of the party’s spouse, (iii) any sibling of the party or of the party’s spouse, (iv) any person sharing the home of any of the foregoing, (v) any staff member, employee, director, officer or agent of the party, and (vi) Affiliates or subcontractors of the party.
- (4) “Sponsoring Member(s)” means the sponsoring Assembly Member or State Senator that sponsored the grant listed on the attached Legislative Initiative Form.

The undersigned recognizes that this Certification is submitted for the express purpose of assisting the State of New York and political subdivisions to make a determination regarding the approval of a Legislative Initiative Form, award of any subsequent related contract, or approval of any subsequent related subcontract; acknowledges that the State of New York and political subdivisions may in their discretion, by means which they choose, verify the truth and accuracy of all statements made herein; acknowledges that knowing or intentional submission of false or misleading information may constitute a felony under Penal Law Section 210.40 or a misdemeanor under Penal Law Section 210.45; and states that the information submitted in this Certification and any attached appendix is true, accurate and complete.

PLEASE NOTE

The corresponding Legislative Initiative Form must be attached prior to having this document signed and notarized.

_____ Name of Contractor	_____ Signature of Authorized Official / Date
_____ Address	_____ Typed Copy of Signature
_____ City, State, Zip Code	_____ Title

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public

GRANTEE CERTIFICATION
FOR PAYMENT, FINAL REPORT AND CLOSE OUT

Organization Name: _____

Project Number: PKS-_____

This submission is (*check all that apply*):

- Payment request
- Final Report
- Close out

This certifies that:

1. The related expenditures under the contract for the above-referenced project were managed and expended in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, project agreement terms, and program/project guidelines.
2. All required payment documentation **is on file** and will **be available for inspection** upon request **for a period of 6 years** from the ending of the calendar year in which the final payment was/will be made.
3. All figures are **true and correct**.
4. All items listed:
 - a. are eligible costs as listed **in Attachment B** (Budget) of the contract;
 - b. are expenditures that **comply with the terms and conditions** of the contract;
 - c. are **expenditures for services rendered and/or goods delivered within the contract term**; and
 - d. are **not duplicates of any items previously submitted** for reimbursement.

For Payment Requests:

Enclosed is the material for processing payment # _____ for the
above-referenced project covering total expenditures of \$ _____

Certifying Officer's Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE AID VOUCHER

Voucher No. _____

1 Originating Agency		Orig. Agency Code		Interest Eligible (Y/N)	
Payment Date (MM) (DD) (YY) / /		OSC Use Only		Liability Date (MM) (DD) (YY) / /	
2 Payee ID		Additional	3 Zip Code	Route	Payee Amount
4 Payee Name (Limit to 30 spaces)		IRS Code	IRS Amount		
Payee Name (Limit to 30 spaces)		Stat. Type	Statistic	Indicator-Dept.	Indicator-Statewide
Address (Limit to 30 spaces)		5 Ref/Inv. No. (Limit to 20 spaces)			
Address (Limit to 30 spaces)		Ref/Inv. Date (MM) (DD) (YY) / /			
City (Limit to 20 spaces)	(Limit to 2 spaces) →	State	Zip Code		

6 Date Paid	Check or Voucher No.	Description of Charges (If Personal Service, show name, title, period covered)	Amount	
			Dollars	Cents

7 State Aid Program or Applicable Statute:		TOTAL			
8 Payee Certification: I certify that the above expenditures have been made in accordance with the provisions of the Applicable Statute; that the claim is just and correct; that no part thereof has been paid except as stated; that the balance is actually due and owing, and that taxes from which the State is exempt are excluded.		Less Receipts			
→ Signature in Ink _____ Date _____ Title _____ Name of Municipality _____		NET			
		State Aid % Claimed			

FOR STATE AGENCY USE ONLY

STATE COMPTROLLER'S PRE-AUDIT

Merchandise Received	I certify that this claim is correct and just, and payment is approved.			State Aid		
Date	By _____		Verified	Certified For Payment of State Aid Amount		
Page No.	Date _____		Audited			
By						

Expenditure						Liquidation					
Cost Center Code				Object	Accum		Amount	Orig. Agency	PO/Contract	Line	F/P
Dept.	Cost Center Unit	Var.	Yr.		Dept.	Statewide					