Overview of Dependency Counsel Solicitations











Objectives

- Dependency Representation,
 Administration, Funding, and
 Training (DRAFT) Program
- RFP Process
- Developing Proposals





DRAFT PROGRAM





DRAFT Program Overview

- Established as a pilot program by the Judicial Council in 2004
- In 2007 the Judicial Council:
 - Adopted caseload standard and compensation funding model
 - Expanded DRAFT
- 20 volunteer court systems participate in the program:

Alameda Amador Del Norte El Dorado Imperial

Lake

Los Angeles

Marin

Mendocino

Plumas

Sacramento

San Diego

San Joaquin San Luis Obispo Santa Barbara

Santa Clara

Santa Cruz

Solano

Sonoma

Stanislaus

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS



DRAFT Program Goals

Develop uniform dependency counsel standards for:

- Caseload
- Compensation
- Performance





RFP PROCESS





RFP Process

AOC Roles & Responsibilities

- Draft solicitation document
- Determine contract budget and caseload
- Post and distribute RFP materials
- Respond to solicitation questions
- Negotiate and enter into agreements with selected proposers





RFP Process

Local Court Roles & Responsibilities

- Review and approve solicitation document
- Verify caseload
- Respond to questions regarding local court processes and rules





RFP Process

Joint Roles & Responsibilities

- Score proposals against stated evaluation criteria
- Select the highest ranked proposal(s)
 based on the stated evaluation criteria,
 such that representation for all parties is
 provided





DEVELOPING YOUR PROPOSAL





Proposer's Responsibilities

- Review this presentation
- Review the entire RFP and attachments
- Submit questions to <u>solicitations@jud.ca.gov</u> by the due date in the RFP timeline
- Submit finished proposal by the due date in the RFP timeline





RFP

- Background information
 - Court-appointed counsel funding
 - Objective (lots, award period)





RFP

- Description of services and deliverables
- Timeline





RFP Attachments

- Attachment 1: Administrative Rules Governing RFPs
- Attachment 2: Contract Terms and Conditions
- Attachment 3: Acceptance of Terms and Conditions



RFP Attachments

- Attachment 4: Scope of Services
- Attachment 5: Payee Data Record Form
- Attachment 6: Darfur
 Contracting Act Certification





RFP Attachments

- Attachment 7: Conflict of Interest
 Certification Form
- Attachment 8: Lot Check-Off Form (if applicable)
- Appendices
 - JCATS Screen Shot
 - Budget Template





RFP Document: Proposal Contents

Lists information that must be included in your proposal

- Technical proposal
- Cost proposal





Technical Proposal

- Description of services
- Organization and staffing plan
- Courtroom coverage and calendar management
- Proposal for conflicts





Technical Proposal

- Competency and experience requirements
- Role in improving child welfare outcomes
- Acceptance of Terms and Conditions
- Certifications and attachments



Cost proposal

- Must use Budget Template posted with RFP materials (No other file formats or re-created files will be accepted)
- Budget justification narrative





Submitting Your Proposal

- Must submit one (1) original and five (5) copies of the technical and cost proposal
- Must submit an electronic version of the entire proposal on CD-Rom





Submitting Your Proposal

Proposals must be sent by:

- Registered or certified mail
- Courier service
- Hand delivered

Faxed or e-mailed proposals will **NOT** be accepted



Submitting Your Proposal

Proposals must be delivered by the date and time listed on the RFP coversheet to:

Administrative Office of the Courts
Attn: Nadine McFadden — [RFP Number]
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102





Evaluation of Proposals

Evaluated on 100-point scale using the following criteria:

Criterion	Points
Plan to provide comprehensive, high quality and timely services	40
Reasonableness of cost proposal	30
Explanation of role of counsel in impacting child welfare outcomes	20
Acceptance of Proposal Contract Terms and Conditions	10





Questions?

Questions regarding the solicitation should be sent to

<u>solicitations@jud.ca.gov</u>

Reponses will be posted with the RFP at

www.courts.ca.gov/rfp

