

Financial Affairs
Edward Marquez, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 088-DD10 –
SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR THE EDUCATION
OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

COMMITTEE: BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

The purpose of this Request For Proposals, opened on April 22, 2004, is to establish a contract, at a firm price, to provide supported employment services, for the education of students with moderate to severe disabilities, for the Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student/Career Services. This is a term proposal, which states that the Board may purchase quantities, as may be required, but is not obligated to purchase any guaranteed amount. Of 30 proposers sent proposal forms or card notices of this advertised proposal, 7 responded, with 5 proposals meeting specifications and 2 no proposals.

A meeting of the Selection Committee to evaluate the proposals was held on May 10, 2004. Five proposals were presented for the Committee's consideration as follows: Association For The Development of the Exceptional, Inc., Easter Seals Miami-Dade, Inc., HOPE Center, Inc., Sunrise Community and United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc. After significant discussion, a motion was passed to recommend Easter Seals Miami-Dade, Inc. and United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc.

Fund Source
0100 - General

M/WBE Eligibility
None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida **AWARD** Request For Proposals No. 088-DD10 – **SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**, to establish a contract, at a firm price, to provide supported employment services, for the education of students with moderate to severe disabilities, for the Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student/Career Services, effective July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005, as follows:

1. EASTER SEALS MIAMI-DADE, INC.
1475 N.W. 14 AVENUE
MIAMI, FL 33125
OWNER: JOAN L. BORNSTEIN, PRESIDENT/C.E.O.

Highest Rated Proposal.

Supported Employment Services @ \$20 per hour.

2. UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION OF MIAMI,
INC.
1411 N.W. 14 AVENUE
MIAMI, FL 33125
OWNER: DR. DEBBIE TERENCE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Highest Rated Proposal.

Supported Employment Services @ \$32 per hour.

3. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase
up to the total estimated amount of \$260,000.

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