

Business Operations
Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REJECT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 001-FF10 –
TEENAGE PARENT PROGRAM (TAPP) CHILD-CARE
SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WHO MEET LEGISLATIVE
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2005-2006 SCHOOL
YEAR**

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

The purpose of this Request For Proposals, opened on July 28, 2005, is to establish a contract, to provide quality child-care services for approximately 200 to 800 at-risk children, ages birth to 3 years old, who are children of pregnant or parenting students seeking a high school diploma, for Regional Operations. Of 20 proposers sent proposal forms or card notices of this advertised proposal, 1 responded.

The Evaluation Committee met on August 2, 2005 to evaluate the only proposal received in response to the advertised solicitation: Lincoln Marti Community Services, Inc. The committee recommended that the proposal be rejected, because it does not meet the needs of the School District, inasmuch as the number of proposed facilities identified by Lincoln Marti Community Services totals seventeen (17). Under the current contract, the TAPP participants have access to approximately 352 child-care facilities countywide.

Participants of the TAPP program are provided transportation by the Department of Transportation. The student and child are picked up at the student's home and transported to the nearest child-care facility. After the child is placed at the facility, the student is then transported to his/her home school, as part of the scheduled transportation routing system. The limited number of facilities proposed would have a significant impact on the Department of Transportation (additional routes, buses, and drivers), inasmuch as the student and child would have to be transported to the closest of the seventeen (17) proposed locations, which could be a great distance from the home and school location. Additionally, the fuel costs associated with the implementation would not be economically advantageous to the District.

The recommendation reflects that the proposal be rejected to permit rebidding. Based on the rejection of this Request For Proposals, staff is issuing an emergency purchase order to Miami-Dade County Department of Human Services, Division of Child Development Services, to continue the essential services during the rebid process.

Fund Source
0100 - General

M/WBE Eligibility
None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **REJECT** Request For Proposals No. 001-FF10 – TEENAGE PARENT PROGRAM (TAPP) CHILD-CARE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WHO MEET LEGISLATIVE ELIGIBILITY FOR THE 2005-2006 SCHOOL YEAR, to permit rebidding.

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