

STATE OF HAWAII  
**NOTICE OF AND REQUEST FOR  
 RESTRICTIVE PURCHASE OF SERVICE  
 PURSUANT TO §103F-403, HRS**

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ADMINISTRATION  
 STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE  
 STATE OF HAWAII

To: Chief Procurement Officer

From: Department of Human Services  
*Department/Division/Branch or Office*

Pursuant to §103F-403, HRS, and Chapter 3-144, HAR, the department head has made a determination that an adequate basis for a restrictive purchase of services exists and requests approval to make a restrictive purchase for the following:

1.	Title and description of health and human service(s):	
	<p>The Read Aloud America Program is a unique training program developed and operated exclusively by Read Aloud America that promotes literacy, strengthens families and builds communities. The program which will be implemented in 50 public school communities consists of a faculty presentation, six early evening family sessions, and six to nine classroom presentations over the course of one semester. The purpose of the program is to train parents to use simple strategies that convey morals and values, help them establish a literate environment in the home, and increase their children's chances for academic success (see <a href="http://www.readaloudamerica.org">www.readaloudamerica.org</a>).</p> <p>During the six family sessions, trained presenters work with parents and other caregivers to convey fundamental reading and literacy concepts. The program includes read-alouds for both children and adults and provides guidelines for judicious use of television and other electronic media. Parents learn how to become reading role models, how to read aloud to their children, and how to establish and maintain family bonding activities. Each RAP family builds a "Family Reading Handbook" which contains tips and resources to help them incorporate RAP ideals and strategies into their daily life.</p>	
2.	Provider Name and Address:	<p>Read Aloud America Program          680 Iweilei Road, Suite 680, Honolulu, HI 96817</p>
3.	Total Contract Funds:	\$3,017,199
	Contract Funds per Year (if applicable):	\$539,671;704,521;868,929
4.	RH No. of Previous Request for this Service (if applicable)	
5.	Term of Contract:	<p>Start: 2/12/07      End: 1/31/10</p> <p>If the contract term is longer than 1 year, provide justification for the extended term:          The project will include more schools each year to include a total 50 public schools by the end of the project.</p>

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6. Describe the circumstances justifying a restrictive purchase:

Competitive procurement is not practicable because the Department of Human Services has determined that this specific training program is the only program that meets the desired outcomes by providing a sustained effort at training parents to train their children to read, engendering children's love of reading and accelerating their academic performance as described in detail in the attached scope of services in the attached proposed contract. A pilot project was funded under a previous exemption that demonstrated the program to have the desired impacts, and, thus, the program is being expanded to greater coverage in the public school system, and previous and on-going search efforts have yielded no other vendor providing this model.

7. Describe the efforts and results in determining that this is the sole provider who can render services. Include approximate dates:

The Department has been aware of the program and completed a search for similar programs over two years ago. The search did not find any other programs targeting parents in school communities with sustained training. Since that time DHS staff have continued to review other non-DHS funded programs and found no other programs targeting public school communities with the same level of success. The International Reading Association recently featured the Read Aloud America program in Hawaii in an article in their newsletter as a unique program deserving of replication. The Read Aloud International, Inc. organization confirms that this program is not just the only one of its kind in the State of Hawaii, but indeed the only such program in the entirety of the United States.

8. List state agency personnel, by position title, who will be involved in the approval process and administration of the contract:

Lillian B. Koller, Esq., Director of Human Services  
Ed Igarashi, Fiscal Management Office Administrator  
Pankaj Bhanot, Administrator, BESSD/ECCPO

9. Direct questions to (name & position):

Pankaj Bhanot

Phone number:

586-7062

e-mail address:

pbhanot@dhs.hawaii.gov

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I certify that the information provided above is to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

  
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*Department Head Signature*

1/18/06  
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*Date*

Lillian B. Koller  
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*Typed Name*

**NOTICE**

Pursuant to §103F-403, Hawaii Revised Statutes and Chapter 3-144, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the aforementioned purchasing agency has submitted a request to the chief procurement officer for a restrictive purchase of service for health and human services, and if approved, intends to purchase the service without issuing a request for proposals.

Any person may file a written protest under the procedures established under Chapter 3-148, Hawaii Administrative Rules, located on the web at [www.spo.hawaii.gov](http://www.spo.hawaii.gov), click *Statutes and Rules* and *Procurement of Health and Human Services*. Protests shall be hand delivered or postmarked by United States Postal Service within seven (7) days after the date this notice is first published on the internet. If hand delivered it must be submitted by 4:30 PM, Hawaii Standard Time, within seven days after day this notice is first published. Protests must be submitted to the following procurement officer **and** head of the purchasing agency:

***Procurement Officer for this Procurement***

Pankaj Bhanot  
Benefit, Employment & Support Services Div. Director  
820 Mililani Street, Suite 606  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

***Head of Purchasing Agency***

Lillian B. Koller  
Department of Human Services  
1390 Miller Street, Room 209  
Honolulu, Hāwāii 96813

Protest forms and instructions are on the web at: [www.spo.hawaii.gov](http://www.spo.hawaii.gov), click *Health and Human Services, Chapter 103F...* and *Forms for Private Providers*. Questions should be directed to the contact person noted in item 9 of the request.

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Chief Procurement Officer's Comments:

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APPROVED     DISAPPROVED     NO ACTION

  
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Chief Procurement Officer Signature

2/2/07  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative requirements.

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