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ANNOUNCEMENT

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES (DHR) WILL RELEASE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR PRE/POST ADOPTION SERVICES ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2022.

The ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, (hereinafter referred to as “the Department”) seeks a qualified vendor to develop a statewide Adoption Resource Center to provide **Pre/Post Adoption Services** to families and children in the adoption process who have adopted through the Alabama Department of Human Resources. Services must include information and referral services; a library; support groups; educational opportunities; counseling; an annual permanency conference; and an annual adoption summer camp. The selected vendor must recruit, train and complete approved home studies for seventy-five (75) adoptive homes per year for the term of the contract. All proposed adoptive homes must meet adoptive home minimum standards, all requirements per this document and must obtain final approval from the SDHR Office of Adoption. The selected vendor will receive up to \$5,000 per approved adoptive home that is trained, matched, and finalizes an adoption from foster care. A more complete description of the services sought for this project is provided in *Section 3, Scope of Project*. Proposals submitted in response to this solicitation must comply with the instructions and procedures contained herein.

The RFP will be accessible by the close of business (5:00 p.m. CST) on, **February 11, 2022**, on the Department’s web site at www.dhr.alabama.gov, click on **LINKS**, then select **Requests for Proposals**, then click on the RFP link (s) for **Pre/Post Adoption Services**.

The initial contract term for this procurement is **three (3) years** beginning **October 01, 2022, and ending September 30, 2025**. Renewals of the contract, as agreed upon by both parties, may be made at one-year intervals, or any interval that is advantageous to the Department, not to exceed a total of two (2) years, at the option of the Department. **The selected vendor must be fully operational on October 01, 2022.**

If you are unable to access the RFP after its release using the aforementioned information, immediately notify Vicki C-Robinson(vicki.robinson@dhr.alabama.gov).