

AMENDMENT NO. 1

DATE: April 4, 2017

RE: SOLICITATION #: RFP No. 17-03

PROJECT: Advocacy Services

NOTICE is hereby given of the following changes or clarifications that have been issued and questions received regarding the above-referenced Solicitation:

1. **QUESTION:** I have read the entire document and do not see any provisions regarding joint ventures. Is there any preclusion from firms joining together to form a joint venture?

ANSWER:

There is no preclusion to firms joining together to form a joint venture. However, one firm would need to be classified as a "lead" firm.

2. **QUESTION:** Are subcontractors required for proposers to this RFP? The reason I ask is that on Page 18 of the RFP, it says that as a recipient of federal funds, the BMPO is required to establish as DBE program. But federal funds can't be used for lobbying purposes. So, if a proposer is applying to be BMPO's lobbyist, must we have a DBE subcontractor (any kind of subcontractor for that matter) to be compliant in our proposal?

ANSWER:

No subcontractors are required for this RFP.

3. **QUESTION:** The RFP describes work on both the state and federal level. Is it possible for a proposer to provide a response for advocacy on just the federal level?

ANSWER:

Yes, it is possible for a proposer to provide a response on just the federal portion, but we would strongly encourage a proposal that covers both the federal and state levels.

Offers must acknowledge receipt of this Amendment by completing and returning Section 5 Acknowledgement Form with your sealed submittal package by the time and date of the closing. **Failure to do so may deem your offer non-responsive.**