



**Intent to Award Contract for the
Invitation to Negotiate
For Independent Living Housing Services
Advertising Number: ITN-ILH-021**

Date: June 15, 2021

To: Respondents to ITN-ILH-021

From: Amanda VanLaningham, Vice President – Quality Services

Subject: Intent to Award

On April 9, 2021, three (3) potential vendors submitted timely replies to the advertised Invitation to Negotiate for Independent Living Housing Services.

On April 30, 2021, the replies that met the mandatory criteria were ranked by the ITN evaluation team. As a result of the recommendation of the evaluation team, FSSNF posted the Notice of Intent to Negotiate with TSI Health, LLC and VanGar, Inc. on April 30, 2021.

Following the negotiation period, TSI Health, LLC was approved to be awarded the contracted rate agreement pursuant to this ITN.

Any person who or agency that has been adversely affected by a decision or intended decision concerning a solicitation or a notice of contract award may file a written notice of intent to protest with the FSSNF contact person listed in the solicitation document within three (3) calendar days after the posting of the solicitation or of the notice of FSSNF's decision or intended decision. The notice of intent to protest may be filed electronically and submitted to: Amanda.VanLaningham@fssnf.org.

Any person who or agency that files an action protesting a decision or intended decision pertaining to contracts administered by FSSNF must comply with the following requirements:

1. When protesting a decision or intended decision, the protestor must post a bond equal to five percent (5%) of FSSNF's estimated contract amount. FSSNF at its sole discretion shall estimate the contract amount based on factors including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. The price of previous or existing contracts for similar or contractual services.
 - b. The amount appropriated for the contract.
 - c. The fair market value of similar contractual services
2. FSSNF shall provide the estimated contract amount to the protestor within three business days after the notice of intent to protest has been filed. The estimated contract amount is not subject to protest. The bond shall be conditioned upon the payment of all costs and charges that are adjudged against the protestor in any subsequent hearing in which action is brought and in any subsequent appellate court proceeding.
3. The official hours of office operation for receipt of notice of intent to protest, protest and/or a petition and bond are 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, EDT.

FAILURE TO FILE A PROTEST WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED IN S. 120.57(3), F.S., OR FAILURE TO POST THE BOND OR OTHER SECURITY REQUIRED BY LAW WITHIN THE TIME ALLOWED FOR FILING A BOND SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF PROCEEDINGS UNDER CHAPTER 120, F.S.