

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS  
FOR  
EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT**

**Agency:** DC Public Schools (DCPS), Office of Data Systems and Strategy (ODSS)  
**Contract:** **GAGA-2020-E-0076**  
**Contractor:** CDW Government LLC  
**Caption:** Empowered Learners Initiative (ELI) Devices and Deployment (2)

**FINDINGS**

**1. AUTHORITY:**

D.C. Official Code §2-354.05; 27 DCMR Section 1702

**2. MINIMUM NEED:**

The Office of Contracts and Acquisitions (OCA), on behalf of the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) Office of Data Systems and Strategy (ODSS), is seeking to provide mobile computing devices for students and the associated deployment services.

The Empowered Learners Initiative (ELI) is aimed at bringing the District's vision of digital equity and future-ready teaching and learning to fruition. With equitable access to reliable technology as a foundation, the District will enhance student learning experiences and accelerate progress toward our vision for creating empowered and engaged communities of learners. Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, the District has had to increase the number of available mobile computing devices for the student body in a shorter timeframe than originally anticipated.

To meet its obligations and provide access to education to serve its students while keeping the community safe, DCPS requires the Contractor to provide mobile computing devices, accessories and the associated deployment services. to the existing Video Surveillance System and Network. This includes, but is not limited to, providing technology devices, charging carts, keyboard/covers, pens cases, extended warranties, custom configuration and deployment support services.

CDW Government, LLC., the current contractor for the original procurement of devices, is currently servicing DCPS under Contract GAGA-2019-T-0097 that is due to expire on September 30, 2020. This second task order is important to increase the number of devices within the network so that instruction can be delivered virtually as the agency responds to the COVID-19 pandemic. The devices and associated accessories are to be delivered no later than September 2020.

3. **ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE:**

The Not-To-Exceed amount to provide the required goods and services, as provided on the Contractors quote (LLPW672) for the period of performance is \$6,899,976.69 **for the seventy-nine (79) day period.** The unit prices have been previously determined to be fair and reasonable and are the current rates paid by the District.

4. **FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT:**

The purpose of this emergency procurement is to prevent a dangerous environment for students, faculty, and employees of DCPS schools and facilities. This is issued pursuant to the Mayor's Emergency Order 2020-057. In order to maintain a safe and equitable learning environment, DCPS must ensure remote access to instructional materials.

6. **DETERMINATION**

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (DC. Official Code § 2-354.05). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the emergency contract vehicle.

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Candace Butler  
Chief Procurement Officer  
Office of Contracting and Procurement

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