# PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Office of State Procurement Services.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the requested information in the white spaces below. All responses (except signatures) must be typed; no hand-written forms will be accepted. See the guidance document posted with this form on the Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.

			PART I: OVER	VIEW			
Department Office/Division/Program:			DHHS/OADS/DS-BI				
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:			Althea Harris / Nicole Mitchell				
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			ADS-24-9830 B				
			\$135,000.00 Advantage CT / CT 10. : \$881,800.00 RQS #: 20240		A 314000000002483		
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:			Pro	posed End	d Date:	
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		4/1/2024		Effective Date:		5/1/2025
	Previous End Date:		6/30/2025		New End Date:		7/31/2025
GRANT	Project Start Date:			1000000	Grant Start Date:		
	Project End Date:				Grant End Date:		
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:			WheelPad, L3C Wilmington, Vermont				
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:			Accessible Home Attachments for Independent Living				

	PART II: JUSTIFICATION	I FOR	VENDOR SELECTION		
Check the box below for the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)					
	A. Competitive Process		G. Grant		
$\boxtimes$	B. Amendment		H. State Statute/Agency Directed		
$\boxtimes$	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor		Federal Agency Directed		
	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents		J. Willing and Qualified		
	E. Emergency		K. Client Choice		
	F. University Cooperative Project		L. Other Authorization		

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Please respond to ALL of the questions in the following sections.

#### PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

The purpose of this Amendment is add funding and extend the end date to allow provider to facilitate installation of the WheelPad units by subcontractors.

This project provides funding for adding six (6) fully accessible bedroom and bathroom suites through <u>WheelPad</u>, L3C, to existing homes. These attachments are universally accessible, exceeding requirements for the Americans with Disabilities Act, and are suitable for integrating into non-disability-specific and provider-owned homes, significantly increasing the number of accessible housing units available in Maine, in line with the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) federal regulations.

### Goals and Expected Outcomes

- 1. Enhancing Family Unity: Facilitate individuals staying with or returning to their families by adapting homes to meet their accessibility needs.
- 2. Stabilizing Housing: Provide adaptable living spaces that accommodate changing mobility needs, reducing the necessity for disruptive relocations.
- 3. Diversifying Housing Choices: Increase the range of accessible living options for individuals with disabilities, offering more independence within their communities.

### Sustainable Benefits

- 1. Community Integration: Promote the ability of individuals with disabilities to live within their communities, strengthening social connections and decreasing isolation.
- 2. Scalable Model: Present a model for other states and regions, demonstrating Maine's commitment to innovative and inclusive housing solutions.
- 3. Flexible Placement Options: Create a housing option suited for an individual's needs that can travel with them if a life circumstance requires them to move elsewhere in the state, such as a change in care needs or providers.

This initiative, Accessible Home Attachments for Independent Living, aims to significantly impact these individuals' lives, mainly focusing on those with Developmental Disabilities and Brain Injuries.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.

CMS approved WheelPad as the Provider to receive funding for this service tied to Section 9817-FMAP Project # 201.12. There is no other manufactory on the Eastern Seaboard that produces ready-made mobile units that connect to existing homes.

3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

Through this amendment, the contract will reflect a revised unit price of \$124,467.00 per SuitePAD unit. This is considered to be fair and reasonable, and was reached through negotiation with the Provider, who sought a price of \$129,000.00 per unit.

## PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

There is no plan for future competition as this is a one-time unique service.

PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)
Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?
☐ Yes, MJRP funds (023) – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).
☐ Yes, ARPA funds (025) — If Yes, please be aware of the requirements from awarding federal agencies.
⊠ No – If No, proceed to Part V.

# PART V: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI); CONTRACT WITH THE STATE

Maine law contains Conflict of Interest statutes directed to State Departments, State Officers, and Employees Generally under MRS <u>Title 5, §18</u> and <u>§18-A</u>, in harmony with MRS <u>Title 17, §3104</u>.

 $\boxtimes$  The requesting department signatory understands and acknowledges Maine's Conflict of Interest statutes.

PART VI: APPROVALS		
The signatures below indicate a	pproval of this procurement request	
Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):		
Typed Name:	1 Am Vaston	Date: 29 - My -25
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	Docusigned by:  Kathy Paquette  41C2BA36FAF44CD	
Typed Name:	Kathy Paquette	<b>Date:</b> 6/9/2025

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