

**Single Source Justification (Simplified Acquisition)**

**Section A: General Contract Information**

Is this a Bridge Action as defined in the [AF Bridge Action Reduction Plan](#)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Contracting Activity: AMIC Det 2, JBSA 102 Hall Blvd, San Antonio, TX 78243

Project/Program Name: Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) Training for Trainers (T4T)

Purchase Request / Local ID Number: F1DT983123A002

Estimated Contract Cost (including Options): [REDACTED]

**Section B: Description of the Supplies/Services Required**

[REDACTED] has a requirement for a five (5) day Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST). This Train the Trainer (T4T) workshop provides evidence based guidance to twenty four (24) Airmen ("Candidate") with training to prevent suicide by recognizing signs, providing a skilled intervention, and developing a safety plan. During the first two (2) days, Airmen will experience the ASIST Training as any participant would. The additional three (3) days they will work on a training team to learn/practice the knowledge gained during the ASIST workshop. Once candidates have completed the T4T workshop, they are considered Provisional Trainers. Kits will be provided to the Provisional Trainers to accompany them as a resource to teach the two (2) day ASIST program at their unit.

ASIST five (5) day T4T Materials include: Trainer fees, candidate's materials, candidate's registration, equipment, administration and evaluations, and all travel and accommodations of the trainers.

Note - The Candidates Materials include: ASIST Trainer Manual, Workshop Slides, Audiovisuals, two (2) wall posters, ASIST Trainer Implementation Guide, and ASIS Organizer Guide.

In addition to the five (5) day T4T course, [REDACTED] requires additional ASIST Training Kits to utilize during the two (2) day ASIST training programs at their unit. Quantity of 1,395 ASIST Training Kits to be delivered prior to the PoP stated below.

Each English-Language kit includes: A workbook, a reminder card (prompter card), stickers, feedback form and a certificate of completion.

The Workshop period of performance (PoP) is 25 SEP 2023 to 29 SEP 2023 at [REDACTED] on Ft. Meade.

**Section C: Justification for Soliciting from a Single Source or Brand Name**

LivingWorks is the developer of the ASIST Program and sole provider of all certification and training material. Although other organizations provide suicide intervention training, none provides a dedicated five-day train-the-trainer certification course and two-day interactive suicide intervention course. In accordance with (IAW) DoDI 6490.16, Defense Suicide Prevention Program, Sept 2020, evidence-based suicide prevention programs should be incorporated in practice. The ASIST training workshop is one of the three (3) courses for suicide prevention that is evidence-based that DAF recognizes. The other two (2) courses that the DAF recognizes as evidence-based programs are safeTALK (also by LivingWorks) and Mental Health First Aid.

LivingWorks has been providing ASIST course curriculum, instructor training, and subsequent ASIST participant kits since 1983. There are currently more than 8,000 ASIST Instructors trained and offering courses in over 30 countries. More than two million students have been trained in ASIST.

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ASIST is designated as the Department of Defense, US Army and US Navy standard program for the prevention of suicide for their military members, civilian personnel, and family members. ASIST training has also been adopted by numerous state governments across the United States to meet their suicide prevention needs.

**Section D: Efforts to Obtain Competition**

The efforts to obtain competition included a search by the contracting office in May 2023 on SAM.gov for previous contracts. All efforts for this requirement indicated sole sources to LivingWorks Education.

A Notice of Intent to Award Sole Source was posted to SAM.gov for fifteen (15) days to identify additional possible sources.

**Section E: Steps to Preclude Future Single Source or Brand Name Awards**

At this time, the market lacks another suicide prevention program that is as developed, hands-on, or as diversified as LivingWorks provides. However, we will continue to monitor the market for newly developed programs that fit their needs.

**Section F: Contracting Officer's Determination**

I have determined, in accordance with [FAR 13.106-1\(b\)\(1\)](#), that the circumstances of this contract action deem only a single source is reasonably available.

Date	Typed Name and Rank/Grade of Contracting Officer	Signature of Contracting Officer
		