

(C) THE SECRETARY OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL DESIGNATE MARYLAND WORKS, INC., OR ANOTHER APPROPRIATE COORDINATING ENTITY, TO FACILITATE THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES AMONG COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDERS.

(D) THE COORDINATING ENTITY DESIGNATED UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION SHALL:

(1) IDENTIFY POTENTIAL CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES ELIGIBLE FOR PROCUREMENT;

(2) ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR THE SELECTION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDERS TO PERFORM UNDER POTENTIALLY ELIGIBLE CONTRACTS FOR PREFERENCE PROCUREMENT;

(3) ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR REMEDIATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE WITH STATE OR PROGRAM POLICIES;

(4) PROVIDE TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATING COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDERS;

(5) CONDUCT COST ANALYSES AND MARKET RESEARCH FOR SUBMISSION AND REVIEW BY THE PRICING AND SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE PROGRAM;

(6) PROVIDE STAFF SUPPORT FOR THE PRICING AND SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE PROGRAM; AND

(7) SERVE AS A MONITORING AGENT TO ENSURE THAT HIGH QUALITY STANDARDS ARE MET AND MAINTAINED BY THE PROGRAM AND ITS PARTICIPATING COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDERS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2008.

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