



**DETERMINATION: MULTIPLE AWARD
DROPOUT PREVENTION AND RECOVERY SERVICES
Request for Proposal # 23-09P**

In accordance with the requirements of A.A.C. R7-2-1050, a multiple award is necessary, advantageous, and is in the best interest of the 1GPA Members.

The basis for determining whether to award a multiple contract, as stated in the RFP, is based upon consideration for 1Government Procurement Alliance Cooperative Members (“Members”) experience with existing products and systems, brand continuity for future expansion, contractor’s ability to provide for a large diverse Membership, and geographic areas served. The awards will be limited to the least number of Offerors that 1GPA determines is necessary to meet the needs of its Members. The actual use of any contract will be at the sole discretion of 1GPA Members.

The contract will include a variety of dropout prevention, dropout recovery, and dropout management services for 1GPA Members.

Recommended for Award (alpha order):

<p>GRADUATION ALLIANCE, INC.</p>	<p>Graduation Alliance, Inc. was established in 2007. Graduation Alliance has been a national leader in providing dropout prevention and recovery services to school districts in urban, suburban, and rural communities across the nation. Their turn-key, scalable programs offer recruitment, re-enrollment, re-engagement, award-winning curriculum, academic interventions, 24-7 tutoring, social-emotional support, wireless-enabled laptop computers for students, tech support, and FERPA compliance. Graduation Alliance specializes in re-engaging students who have left school, improving graduation rates, and helping all students prepare for their post-secondary school lives. Graduation Alliance provides support for at-risk students while reducing the administrative burden on their home districts. The firm can provide services in the following states: AZ CO FL GA IN KS MA MD MI NC NH NM OH OR SC TX WA. Graduation Alliance has no active exclusions or restrictions through the System for Award Management and is registered with the Utah Corporation Commission.</p>
<p>GRADUATION SOLUTIONS LLC</p>	<p>Graduation Solutions, LLC was established in 2012. Their dropout recovery programs are delivered digitally and can be extended to campus-wide programs that are able to reach multiple students across many platforms, including both fully remote and blended programs. All services, including flexible course enrollment programs, family engagement (involving families to improve factors such as student academic achievement, attendance, attitudes and behavior in school, and expectations of achievement from teachers), mentoring/tutoring,</p>

outreach and re-engagement services can be delivered in partnership with schools and school districts with an individualized approach and ensuring that students and their families are given the proper attention and tools to help the student complete their program and earn a high school diploma. Graduation Solutions offers Special Education services for students with special needs with individualized instructional support and services to students with disabilities, unique medical needs, and non-native English language learners. The firm can provide services Nationwide. Graduation Solutions has no active exclusions or restrictions through the System for Award Management and is registered with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Each vendor offers a diverse range of services to assist 1GPA Members in developing and implementing specific dropout recovery strategies or a comprehensive dropout recovery program. Members will have the ability to expand, modify, or strengthen their current dropout recovery strategies, practices, or program. A multiple award ensures Members will have access to services they need in a timely manner.

1GPA and Lead Agency recommend Members prepare a Written Determination that specifies the reasons the vendor was chosen to satisfy the requirements of rule R7-2-1004.

Written Determinations: "Written determinations required by Articles 10 and 11, including for any specified professional services, construction, construction services or materials to an entity selected from a qualified select bidders list or through a school purchasing cooperative, shall specify the reasons for the determination, including how the determination was made."

Based upon these factors, 1GPA and Mary C. O'Brien Accommodation School/Pinal County ESA have determined the necessity of a multiple award for dropout prevention and recovery services. A single award is not advantageous to 1GPA's Members. The contract award recommendation is to the least number of suppliers necessary to meet the needs of 1GPA Members.

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