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FINANCIAL SERVICES MANUAL

PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES		POLICY # FN 3.10	
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1.0 POLICY STATEMENT

The Children's Aid Society of the District of Nipissing and Parry Sound (the "Society") is committed to conducting all procurement activities in accordance with the mandatory requirements as set out in the Broader Public Sector Procurement Directive.

The Society, as a publicly funded organization, will ensure that the procurement of goods and services is a process that is open, fair and transparent. All procurement activities will be based on five key principles: Accountability, Transparency, Value for Money, Quality Service Delivery and Process Standardization.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 Goods and Service: means any goods, construction and services, including but not limited to information technology (IT) and consulting services.
- 2.2 Consultant: means a person or entity that under an agreement, other than an employment agreement, provides expert or strategic advice and related services for consideration and decision-making.
- 2.3 Consulting Services: means the provision of expertise or strategic advice that is presented for consideration and decision-making.
- 2.4 Members of an Organization: means all trustees, members of the board of directors, senior executives, and employees of the Organization or their equivalent.
- 2.5 Approval Authority: means the authority delegated by the Organization to a person designated to occupy a position to approve on its behalf one or more procurement functions within the plan-to-pay cycle up to specified dollar limits subject to the applicable legislation, regulations and procedures in effect at such time.

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- **2.6 Best Value:** means the optimal balance of performance and cost determined in accordance with a pre-defined evaluation plan; best value may include a time horizon that reflects the overall life cycle of a given asset.
- **2.7 Competitive Procurement:** means a set of procedures for developing a procurement contract through a bidding or proposal process. The intent is to solicit fair, impartial, competitive bids.
- **2.8 Invitational Competitive Procurement:** means any form of requesting a minimum of three (3) qualified suppliers to s.

3.0 REVISION HISTORY

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