

COUNTY OF VENTURA CONTRACT NUMBER 9274

This Contract is hereby entered into by and between the County of Ventura (County) and Rincon Inspection Group Inc., a California corporation with its principal place of business at 1746-F Victoria Ave., #170, Ventura, CA 93003 (Contractor) (collectively, parties).

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that Contractor be engaged by County for the purpose of performing fire alarm inspection and related services hereinafter described.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED by the parties as follows:

1. **SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY CONTRACTOR**

Contractor will perform services for County in accordance with the terms, conditions and specifications set forth herein and in Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein by reference.

2. **PAYMENTS**

For services rendered in accordance with all terms, conditions and specifications set forth herein and in Exhibit A, County will make payment to Contractor in the amount and in the manner specified in Exhibit A.

3. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

Contractor is an independent contractor, and no relationship of employer and employee is created by this Contract. Neither Contractor nor any of the persons performing services for Contractor pursuant to this Contract, whether said person be a member, partner, employee, subcontractor or otherwise of Contractor, will have any claim under this Contract or otherwise against County for sick leave, vacation pay, retirement benefits, social security, workers' compensation, disability, unemployment insurance benefits, or other employee benefits of any kind.

Except as provided in this Contract, Contractor in the performance of the services hereunder agreed to be performed is subject to the control or direction of County solely as to the results to be accomplished by the services and not as to the means and methods for accomplishing the results.

If, in the performance of this Contract, any third persons are employed by Contractor, such persons will be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision and control of Contractor. All terms of employment, including hours, wages, working conditions, discipline, hiring and discharging, and applicable requirements of law will be the responsibility of and determined by Contractor, and County will have no right or authority over such persons or the terms of such employment, except as provided in this Contract.

Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of the Worker's Compensation Insurance and Safety Act of the State of California (codified as amended commencing at Labor Code section 3200), including, without limitation, divisions 4 and 5 of the California Labor Code, and all amendments thereto, and all similar state and federal laws, and will indemnify and hold harmless County from and against all claims, demands, payments, suits, actions, proceedings and judgments of every nature and description, including attorney fees and costs, presented, brought or recovered against County, for or on account of any liability under any of said laws which may be incurred by reason of any work to be performed under this Contract.

4. **NON-ASSIGNABILITY**

Contractor will not assign this Contract or any portion thereof to a third party without the prior written consent of County, and any attempted assignment without such prior written consent will be null and void and will be cause, at County's sole and absolute discretion, for immediate termination of this Contract. County may withhold its consent to assignment at its discretion.

5. **TERM**

The term of this Contract will commence on January 1, 2024 and be in effect through December 31, 2026, unless earlier terminated pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

This Contract may, upon mutual agreement, be extended for additional one (1) year periods.

Continuation of the Contract is subject to the appropriation of funds for such purpose by County's Board of Supervisors. If funds to effect such continued payment are not appropriated, County may terminate this Contract and Contractor will relieve County of any further obligation hereunder.

6. **TERMINATION**

County may terminate this Contract at any time, by providing ten days' written notice to Contractor. In the event of termination under this section, Contractor will be paid for all work provided to the date of termination, as long as such work meets the terms and conditions of this Contract. Contractor hereby expressly waives any and all claims for damages or compensation arising under this Contract except as set forth in this section in the event of such termination. This right of termination belonging to County may be exercised without prejudice to any other remedy to which County may be entitled at law or under this Contract.

7. **INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS**

All services, work and/or activities covered by this Contract will be at the risk of Contractor alone. Contractor agrees to defend, through attorneys approved by County, indemnify, and save harmless County and its boards, agencies, departments, officers, employees, agents and volunteers against any and all claims, lawsuits, whether against Contractor, County or others, judgments, debts, demands and liability, including, without limitation, those arising from injuries or death of persons and/or for damages to property, arising directly or indirectly out of the obligations herein described or undertaken or out of operations conducted or subsidized in whole or in part by Contractor, save and except claims or litigation arising through the sole gross negligence or sole willful misconduct of County.

8. **INSURANCE PROVISIONS**

A) Contractor, at Contractor's sole cost and expense, will obtain and maintain in full force during the term of this Contract the following types of insurance:

- 1) General liability "occurrence" coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit (CSL) bodily injury and property damage each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate, including personal injury, broad form property damage, products/completed operations and broad form blanket contractual liability.
- 2) Commercial automobile liability coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 CSL bodily injury and property damage, including owned, non-owned, and hired automobiles. Also to include uninsured/underinsured motorists coverage in the minimum amount of \$100,000 when there are owned vehicles.
- 3) Workers' compensation coverage, in full compliance with California statutory requirements, for all employees of Contractor and employer's liability coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000. Workers' compensation coverage is not required if Contractor provides written verification it has no employees and has other medical coverage.

B) All insurance coverage Contractor is required to obtain and maintain will be primary coverage as respects County, and any insurance or self-insurance maintained by County will be in excess of Contractor's insurance coverage and will not contribute to it.

C) County is to be notified immediately if any aggregate insurance coverage is lowered below required limits and Contractor must purchase additional coverage to meet requirements.

D) For the general liability insurance required above, County is to be named as additional insured as respects work done by Contractor under the terms of this Contract (County of Ventura, 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009).

- E) With respect to workers' compensation, Contractor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against County and its boards, agencies, departments, officers, employees, agents and volunteers for losses arising directly or indirectly from the services, work and/or activities performed under the terms of this Contract.
- F) Policies will not be canceled, non-renewed or reduced in scope of coverage until after sixty (60) days' written notice has been given to County's Risk Management Division, located at 800 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA 93009.
- G) Contractor agrees to provide County with the following insurance documents on or before the commencement date of this Contract:
 - 1. Certificates of insurance for all required coverage.
 - 2. Additional Insured endorsement for general liability insurance.
 - 3. Waiver of subrogation endorsement (also known as waiver of transfer rights of recovery against others, waiver of our right to recover from others) for workers' compensation insurance.

Failure to timely provide these documents, upon County's request, will be, at County's sole discretion, grounds for immediate termination of this Contract or suspension of the commencement date.

9. **SUBSTITUTION OF PERSONNEL**

If Exhibit A identifies specific personnel of Contractor to work on this Contract, Contractor will not assign others to work in their place without advance written approval of County. Any substitution will be with a person of commensurate experience and knowledge.

10. **CONTRACTOR INVESTIGATION AND RESEARCH; ENTIRE UNDERSTANDING**

Contractor by investigation and research has acquired reasonable knowledge of all conditions affecting the services to be performed under this Contract, and Contractor acknowledges that Contractor's execution of this Contract is based on such investigation and research, and not upon any representation made by County or any of its officers, agents or employees, except as provided herein. This Contract supersedes all previous agreements, understandings and representations of any nature whatsoever, whether oral or written, between the parties hereto, and constitutes the entire understanding between them, regarding the subject matter hereof. Contractor acknowledges that no representations, inducements or promises have been made by or on behalf of County except those expressly set forth herein and that no representation, inducement or promise not contained in this Contract will be valid or binding against County.

11. **CONTRACT MONITORING**

County will have the right to review the work being performed by Contractor under this Contract at any time during Contractor's usual working hours. Review, checking, approval or other action by County will not relieve Contractor of Contractor's responsibility for the thoroughness of the services to be provided hereunder. This Contract will be administered on behalf of County by the Health Care Agency Director or his or her authorized representative.

12. **CHANGES TO CONTRACT**

County may from time to time require changes in the scope of the services or other terms or conditions of this Contract. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of Contractor's compensation, which are mutually agreed upon by the parties will be effective only when set forth in a written amendment to this Contract signed by the parties.

13. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Contractor covenants that Contractor presently has no interest, including, but not limited to, other projects or independent contracts, and will not acquire any such interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required under this Contract. Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this Contract no person having such interest will be employed or retained by Contractor under this Contract.

14. **CONFIDENTIALITY**

Any reports, information, data, statistics, forms, procedures, systems, studies, communications or other forms of knowledge given to or prepared or assembled by Contractor under this Contract which County requests in writing to be kept confidential will not be made available to any individual or organization by Contractor without the prior written approval of the County except as authorized by law.

15. **NOTICES**

All notices required under this Contract will be made in writing and addressed or delivered as follows:

TO COUNTY: COUNTY OF VENTURA
GENERAL SERVICES AGENCY
PROCUREMENT SERVICES
800 SOUTH VICTORIA AVENUE
VENTURA, CALIFORNIA 93009-1080

COPY TO COUNTY: COUNTY OF VENTURA
HEALTH CARE AGENCY
5850 THILLE STREET, 1ST FLOOR
VENTURA, CALIFORNIA 93003

TO CONTRACTOR: RINCON INSPECTION GROUP INC.
1746-F VICTORIA AVENUE, #170
VENTURA, CALIFORNIA 93003

Either party may, by giving written notice in accordance with this paragraph, change the names or addresses of the persons of departments designated for receipt of future notices. When addressed in accordance with this paragraph and deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, notices will be deemed given on the third day following such deposit in the United States mail. In all other instances, notices will be deemed given at the time of actual delivery.

16. **GOVERNING LAW**

The validity of this Contract and any of its terms or provisions, as well as the rights and duties of the parties under this Contract, will be construed pursuant to and in accordance with the laws of the State of California, without regard to its choice of law rules.

17. **SEVERABILITY OF CONTRACT**

If any term of this Contract is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be void or unenforceable, the remainder of the Contract terms will remain in full force and effect and will not be affected.

18. **CUMULATIVE REMEDIES**

The exercise or failure to exercise of legal rights and remedies by the County of Ventura in the event of any default or breach hereunder will not constitute a waiver or forfeiture of any other rights and remedies and will be without prejudice to the enforcement of any other right or remedy available by law or authorized by this Contract.

19. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

All parties to this Contract shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Specifically, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, there is no intention on behalf of County in connection with this Contract or otherwise to induce or to influence referrals by or from Contractor. In dealing with patients and in connection with any patient referrals or hospital admissions Contractor may make, Contractor is expected and required to act in accordance with the highest professional and ethical standards, in accordance with applicable laws, and in the best interests of the patient. Neither the compensation paid pursuant to this Contract, nor any other consideration or remuneration to Contractor or otherwise,

or to any member of Contractor's employees, currently or in the future, is or will be based on any expectation of referrals, or on Contractor making or not making referrals to any particular person, entity or facility.

20. COOPERATION WITH COMPLIANCE EFFORTS OF COUNTY

Contractor agrees to cooperate with County as may be required for County to meet all requirements imposed on it by law or by the rules, regulations and standards of applicable federal, state or local agencies, the standards of the Joint Commission, any other agency that accredits County hospitals, and all public and private third party payers, including, without limitation, Medicare and Medi-Cal. Contractor has received County hospital's Code of Conduct, agrees to abide by it, and will execute a certification to that effect. Contractor shall cooperate with all compliance related activities of County hospital which include, without limitation, attending the appropriate compliance training session(s) and providing certification of attendance. Failure to adhere to this provision shall be considered a material breach and/or default under this Contract.

21. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor is not, and during the term of this Contract shall not be: (a) suspended or excluded from participation in any federal or state health care program, (including, without limitation, Medicare, Medi-Cal, or CHAMPUS/Tricare), or (b) convicted of any criminal offense related to the delivery of any good or service paid for by a federal or state health care program or to the neglect or abuse of patients, or (c) suspended, excluded or sanctioned under any other federal program, including the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Contractor shall notify County immediately if any event occurs which would make the foregoing representations untrue in whole or part. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, County shall have the right to immediately terminate this Contract for any breach of any of the foregoing representations and warranties.

22. CONSTRUCTION OF COVENANTS AND CONDITIONS

Each term and each provision of this Contract will be construed to be both a covenant and a condition.

23. UPON TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

On completion or termination of this Contract, County will be entitled to immediate possession of and Contractor will furnish on request, all computations, plans, correspondence and other pertinent data gathered or computed by Contractor for this particular Contract prior to any termination. Contractor may retain copies of said original documents for Contractor's files.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Contract as of the date identified above.

COUNTY OF VENTURA

Authorized Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

CONTRACTOR*



Authorized Signature

Mikael Melendez

Printed Name

Owner

Title

1/24/2024

Date

86-3289060

Tax Identification Number

CONTRACTOR*



Authorized Signature

Mikael Melendez

Printed Name

President

Title

1/24/2024

Date

* If a corporation, this Contract must be signed by two specific corporate officers.

The first signature must be either the (1) Chief Executive Officer, (2) Chairman of the Board, (3) President, or any (4) Vice President.

The second signature must be the (a) Secretary, an (b) Assistant Secretary, the (c) Chief Financial Officer, or any (d) Assistant Treasurer.

In the alternative, a single corporate signature is acceptable when accompanied by a corporate resolution demonstrating the legal authority of the signature to bind the company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Contract as of the date identified above.

COUNTY OF VENTURA

CONTRACTOR*

Authorized Signature

Samantha Crostic

Printed Name

Senior Buyer

Title

1/26/2024

Date

Authorized Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

Tax Identification Number

CONTRACTOR*

Authorized Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

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EXHIBIT A

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND COMPENSATION SCHEDULE

Scheduled Services:

Contractor shall provide the scheduled services described on Attachment 1 hereto, in exchange for the fees listed on Attachment 1. Such scheduled services shall include, at no additional cost:

- Device Replacement
Initiating devices (Smoke, Heat, Duct, Pulls, Tamperers, Water Flow Switches)
- Battery Replacement
All panels connected to FACP
- Signage Replacement
As needed per system
- Sensitivity Testing
Every other year

Description of Scheduled Services:

- Fire Alarm (annual test and inspection services) will be provided in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 72 Sec. 14.3.1 and table 14.3.
- Kitchen Hood Inspection (semiannual test and inspection services) will be provided in accordance with NFPA 96(11), Sec. 11.2.3.
- Wet Sprinkler System (quarterly test and inspection services) will be provided in accordance with NFPA 25 Table 5.1.1.2.
- Fire Alarm and Wet Sprinkler System (annual and quarterly test and inspection services) will be provided in accordance with NFPA 72 Sec. 14.3.1 and table 14.3 and NFPA 25 Table 5.1.1.2.
- Fire Doors (annual test and inspection services) will be provided in accordance with NFPA 101, NFPA 80, NFPA 105 Compliance.
- Fire Pump System (annual test and inspection services) will be provided in accordance with NFPA 25 Table 8.1.1.2.
- Title 19 Automatic Sprinklers - Wet Pipe Fire Sprinkler System inspection to be performed every five years will be provided in accordance with NFPA 25.

The contract not-to-exceed amount for scheduled services is:

- Contract year 1: \$205,249
- Contract year 2: \$189,789
- Contract year 3: \$189,789

Repair Services:

Contractor shall provide repair services, as requested by County from time to time, at the following rates:

- \$156 per hour for Regular Hours. "Regular Hours" are Monday through Friday 7am to 4pm.
- \$234 per hour for Overtime Hours. "Overtime Hours" are all hours that are not Regular Hours.

The contract not-to-exceed amount for repair services is \$40,000 per contract year.

COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

County will ensure Contractor has access to the appropriate systems, staff, and resources to successfully execute the objectives of this engagement.

BILLING AND PAYMENTS

Payment terms are net 30 days, in arrears for services rendered and upon the receipt of valid and correct invoices. Invoices are to be sent to the following address:

VCMC.AccountsPayable@ventura.org

Or

County of Ventura
Health Care Agency
VCMC Accounts Payable
800 South Victoria Ave., L#4610
Ventura, CA 93009

Attachment 1

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ATTACHMENT 1

SCHEDULED SERVICES/ANNUAL FEES											
SERVICE LOCATION	Fire Alarm (annual test and inspection services) (x1)	Kitchen Hood Inspection (semiannual test and inspection services) (x2)	Wet Sprinkler System (quarterly test and inspection services) (x4)	Fire Doors (annual test and inspection services) (x1)	Fire Pump System (annual test and inspection services) (x1)	Title 19 Automatic Sprinklers - Wet Pipe 5-year Fire Sprinkler System inspection to be performed in calendar year 2024 (x1)	Title 19 Automatic Sprinklers - Wet Pipe 5-year Fire Sprinkler System inspection to be performed in calendar year 2024 (x1)	Title 19 Automatic Sprinklers - Wet Pipe 5-year Fire Sprinkler System inspection to be performed in calendar year 2024 (x1)	2024 ANNUAL TOTAL	2025 ANNUAL TOTAL	2026 ANNUAL TOTAL
Crisis Residential Program (CRT) - #170 300 Hillmont Ave. Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 1,248.00	\$ 524.00	\$ 249.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 3,292.00	\$ 3,292.00	\$ 5,142.00
VCMC IPU - #167 200 Hillmont Ave. Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 4,915.00	\$ -	\$ 405.00	\$ 3,234.00	\$ -	\$ 1,850.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,619.00	\$ 9,769.00	\$ 9,769.00
VCMC North Tower - #165 300 Hillmont Ave. Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 85,402.00	\$ 1,384.00	\$ 5,345.00	\$ 3,361.00	\$ 1,980.00	\$ 20,800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 135,691.00	\$ 114,891.00	\$ 114,891.00
Academic Family Medicine Center - #168 300 Hillmont Ave., Building 340 Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 1,270.00	\$ -	\$ 405.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,490.00	\$ 2,890.00	\$ 2,890.00	\$ 6,380.00
Santa Paula Hospital - #166 825 N. 10th Street Santa Paula, CA 93060	\$ 6,960.00	\$ 506.00	\$ 405.00	\$ 1,966.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 11,558.00	\$ 11,558.00	\$ 13,408.00
Santa Paula Hospital Clinic 825 N. 10th Street, #3 Santa Paula, CA 93060	\$ 895.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 895.00	\$ 895.00	\$ 895.00
VCMC Vintage Building - #169 300 Hillmont Ave. Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 27,734.00	\$ 1,384.00	\$ 980.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,490.00	\$ -	\$ 34,422.00	\$ 37,912.00	\$ 34,422.00
VCMC Generator Building 300 Hillmont Ave. Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 985.00	\$ -	\$ 249.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,850.00	\$ -	\$ 1,981.00	\$ 3,831.00	\$ 1,981.00
VCMC Laundry Building 300 Hillmont Ave. Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 1,050.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,050.00
VCMC - Trailer, Building 402 300 Hillmont Ave. Ventura, CA 93003	\$ 855.00	\$ -	\$ 249.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,850.00	\$ -	\$ 1,851.00	\$ 3,701.00	\$ 1,851.00
TOTALS:	\$ 22,650	\$ 7,190	\$ 7,190	\$ 205,249	\$ 189,789	\$ 189,789					

REPAIR SERVICES: \$ 40,000 \$ 40,000 \$ 40,000

ANNUAL GRAND TOTAL: \$ 245,249 \$ 229,789 \$ 229,789