



North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate Select Committee on Prison Safety

FROM: Erik A. Hooks, Secretary *EAH*
Timothy D. Moose, Chief Deputy Secretary *TDM*

RE: Project Status Update for the S.L. 2020-90 OPUS Pilot Program

DATE: January 8, 2021

Pursuant to Session Law 2020-90, SECTION 3.5.(a), the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice, shall report to the Senate Select Committee on Prison Safety no later than January 8, 2021. The report shall be a project status update.

Date	Milestone
10/19/20	RFP Posted
11/5/20	Bid Opening
11/6/20-12/10/20	Bids Reviewed by Evaluation Committee
12/10/20 – 12/20/2020	Best and Final Offers (BAFO)
12/31/20	Award Recommendation

Per S.L. 2020-90, a Request for Proposal (RFP) was developed to award a vendor who will design a plan, or statement of work, that will be used to transform the State Prison Management Information Systems. This will include all software infrastructure and equipment upgrades needed to deploy a mobile inmate tracking system, both of which will enable the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice, to create a new shared database platform to replace the current OPUS System. The statement of work will be used by DPS to develop a bid solicitation that will implement the pilot projects.

An RFP for a vendor(s) to develop a Prison Software Management Pilot Program has been successfully developed, posted and evaluated. This process followed state guidelines including the required direction, assistance, and oversight from the Department of Information Technology. In response to the RFP, 1 vendor submitted a total of 1 bid proposal. The DPS Procurement Office provided 1 proposal to the evaluation committee for review and consideration. After review of the competitive bid proposal, an award recommendation was made for the vendor candidate, The National Public Safety Group.

The National Public Safety Group has experience with applying public safety related software solutions. This knowledge will be beneficial in collaborating with DPS on the development of a realistic timeline for the Prison Software Management Pilot Program implementation. Additionally, the National Public Safety Group offered a fiscally conservative bid of \$238,400- below the \$250,000 amount budgeted for the project.

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We look forward to an upcoming project kickoff meeting with the newly selected vendor, along with, relevant DPS-ACJJ and Department of Information Technology staff.