SOLE SOURCE DETERMINATION

The Purchasing Division has been requested to approve a sole source purchase for the commodity or service described below Pursuant to West Virginia Code 5A-3-10c, the Purchasing Division is attempting to determine whether the commodity or service is a sole source procurement. If you believe your company meets the required experience and qualification criteria stated below, please email the Purchasing Division at team@wvadmin.gov to express your interest in the project. Please forward any and all information that will support your company's compliance with required qualification and eligibility criteria along with any other pertinent information relative to this project to the Purchasing Division no later than 10-02-2007; 2:00 PM

Requisition Number	DEV8012
Department/Agency	West Virginia Development Office
Detailed Description of the Project	Provide technical assistance to the State's Main Street Program, as well as the 14 towns and cities throughout the state that participate in a program designed to promote the preservation of historic buildings and the revitalization of downtown business districts.
Proposed Sole Source Vendor	National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States and its National Main Street Center.
Specific Eligibility Criteria	The National Trust for Historic Preservation was created by federal legislation signed in 1949 to support and encourage grass roots efforts to preserve our historical structures as well as preserve our national heritage. The Trust operates as a charitable, educational and nonprofit corporation of the federal government. The National Main Street Center of the Trust is an affiliate nonprofit organization of the Trust that was established in 1980 to provide consulting and financing services to cities and states undertaking Main Street programs. This revitalization strategy is now being used in more than 1200 cities in over 40 states.
	All of these cities and states that participate in this program are part of networks in which each local organization is considered a partner. It is, therefore, their philosophy that association between the National Main Street Center and the local participants is not simply a typical "consultant client" relationship, but part of a movement to rebuild and develop communities.
Specific Qualification Criteria	The National Main Street Center certifies and designates all Main Street communities In fact, the National Main Street Center owns the trademark. Therefore, if we moved away from them, we would have to develop a whole new program and focus for our current program. The local communities participating in the program have and are incurring expenses to achieve and maintain their status as a Main Street community, such as employing a local director.