COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

ADDENDUM 1

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL No. ACPHD- ~~HPCP~~ CAPDEV - 1005

**for**

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

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| **For complete information regarding this project, see** **Request for Proposal (RFP) posted at** [**Alameda County Public Health Department Current Contracting Opportunities**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/)[**https://acphd.org/contracting-opportunities/**](https://acphd.org/contracting-opportunities/) **or contact the County representative listed below.**  **Thank you for your interest!**  **Contact Person: Kabir Hypolite**  **Phone Number: (510) 268-7665**  **Email Address:**  **[PHDprocurements@acgov.org](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org)**  **Alameda County Public Health Department – Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit** |

**RESPONSE DUE**

by

**2:00 p.m.**

on

**June 20, 2023**

through

**Alameda County Public Health Department**

**Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit**

PHDprocurements@acgov.org

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**CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

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| **EVENT** | **DATE/LOCATION** |
| **Request Issued** | **April 26, 2023** |
| **Networking/Bidders Conference No. 1** | **May 16, 2023, 10:00 am**  ***TO ATTEND ONLINE*:**  **https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9516942407?pwd=V3Y1d1pRY3FJL1I0YjVkRmpxc1pBUT09**  **ID: 951 649 2407**  **Passcode 022574** |
| **Networking/Bidders Conference No. 2** | **May 16, 2023, 12:00 pm**  ***TO ATTEND ONLINE*:**  **https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9516942407?pwd=V3Y1d1pRY3FJL1I0YjVkRmpxc1pBUT09**  **ID: 951 694 2407**  **Passcode: 022574** |
| **Written Questions Due via Email:**  [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org) | **May 26, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.** |
| **List of Attendees** | **May 29, 2023** |
| **Questions & Answers Issued** | **June 7, 2023** |
| **Addendum Issued** [only if necessary to amend RFP] |  |
| **Response Due and Submitted through:**  **ACPHD Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit Attn: Kabir Hypolite**  **1100 San Leandro Blvd., Ste. 120**  **San Leandro, CA 94577** | **June 20, 2023, by 2:00 p.m.** |
| **Evaluation Period** | **June 20, 2023 – June 30, 2023** |
| **Notice of Intent to Award Issued** | **July 5, 2023** |
| **Board Consideration Award Date** | **July 11, 2023** |
| **Contract Start Date** | **August 1, 2023** |

***NOTE: All dates are tentative and subject to change.***

COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

**ALAMEDA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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SPECIFICATIONS, TERMS & CONDITIONS

for

**CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT**

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# STATEMENT OF WORK

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors requested HCSA to administer $11M of ARPA funding for outreach and resource navigation ($4.6M) and capacity building ($6.4M). The BOS also asked HCSA/PHD to collaborate with SSA, which is putting another $4M towards capacity development. This RFP seeks bids in the area of capacity development only.

## BACKGROUND

With this funding, the County intends to support the local infrastructure of community-based organizations serving underserved and low-income County residents in the following manner. Funds in the amount of $9.4M for capacity development will be dispersed in the following categories, each of which is described in greater detail below:

CATEGORY 1: Delivery of Executive Coaching Services *(up to $250,000 for 24 months, up to 25 consultancies will be awarded)*

This category will support a consultancy firm or consultant with experience provided Executive Coaching Services to individuals leading community-based organizations serving Black or African American, Latinx, Native American and Pacific Islander communities in Alameda County. Bidders must be able to provide twenty (20) hours of professional coaching for up to twenty-five (25) Executive Directors or CEOs. Smaller grassroots organizations with annual operating budgets of $2M or less will be prioritized for Executive Coaching. ACPHD will contract with up to two (2) consultancy firms with experience delivering executive coaching to executive leaders of color. ACPHD will pair coaches with CBO executives.

CATEGORY 2: Self-Directed Capacity Development *(up to $3,550,000 over 24 months, 15 contracts will be awarded).*

This category is open to any community-based organizations serving populations disproportionately affected by COVID-19 and other communicable and chronic diseases. Bidders must identify technical and/or organizational areas in need of capacity development or strengthening. Bidders can use funds to support consultants of their choosing and must report consultants selected. Bidders will be expected to articulate 2-4 goals related to strengthening capacity in identified areas and to report progress towards achieving stated goals. 2-year contracts of up to $350,000 each will be awarded. Up to fifteen (15) contracts are expected to be awarded.

CATEGORY 3: Cohort Model *($4,000,000 over 24 months, up to 5 consultancies will be awarded).*

A cohort model is one in which a technical assistance provider brings together and follows a group of organizations for the duration of this contract period. This category will support up to 5 organizations or consultancies to provide a comprehensive range of technical assistance and capacity development services highly tailored to the expressed needs of each cohort member. Technical assistance and capacity development services will be based on findings from a needs assessment, which is expected to be administered by awarded bidders. Bidders are expected to be trusted by organizations serving Black and Brown communities and economically distressed or disenfranchised communities. Bidders are also expected to have a track record (2 years or more) of delivering high-quality technical assistance and capacity development services to grassroots community-based organizations serving communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 or other communicable diseases.). Bidders must have the ability to issue small grants of $10,000 or less to their respective cohorts of technical assistance recipients. The $10,000 mini grants are intended to offset the cost burden of participating in their technical assistance program,

CATEGORY 4: Core Operational Support *($1,600,000 over 2 years, up to 20 contracts will be awarded).*

This category will support short-term, core operating costs. Up to 20 contracts with up to 20 grassroots and community-based organizations will be awarded. Bidders may identify one-time-only core operating costs like accessibility retrofits, consultants to conduct audits, new financial bookkeeping systems, signage, etc. Bidders can use funds to support consultants to specifically address core operating functions of their organizations, including but not limited to tax filings, strategic planning, sustainability planning or development plans, governance and board operations and training, evaluation, data collection, community or consumer needs assessments, and advocacy projects, information exchange and dissemination, partnership or network development, communications infrastructure, trauma informed violence prevention and recover, developing volunteer programs, building IT capacities, and leadership development. Bidders will be expected to articulate 2-4 goals related to building core operations of their organizations. Bidders with annual operating budgets of $2M or less will be prioritized in this category.

## INTENT

The COVID-19 pandemic has strained our health systems. This includes the organization capacities of community groups and networks serving those most impact by COVID. As a county, our ability to respond to health crises is reliant on strong and nimble community-based organizations, which are best position to reach and serve economically disenfranchised communities, which are disproportionately Black and Brown.

ACPHD held a listening session on April 11, 2022, to obtain additional input into the procurement and to better understand how the community defines and views capacity development or capacity building. Participants highlighted several themes during the listening session. They told us that funds are needed for core operating costs. Participants urged the County to consider funds disbursement models that are creative, flexible, and responsive to urgent needs. Support for anchor organizations that are in the role of sub-granting to smaller orgs is an important element to protecting local financial stability. In addition, participants of the listening session encouraged ACPHD to fund organizations that had not been awarded funding in the past to promote equity and opportunities in underrepresented communities and to support new organizations and small grassroots organizations. Finally, participants cited a need to track capacity development over time.

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| # | Funding Category | Amount | # of contracts |
| 1 | Executive Coaching | $250,000 | Up to 25 |
| 2 | Self-Directed Capacity Development | $1,550,000 | Up to 15 |
| 3 | Technical Assistance Consultancies | $4,000,000 | Up to 5 |
| 4 | Core Operating Support | $1,600,000 | Up to 20 |

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## BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

* + 1. For Categories 1 and 3 above only: Bidder **and** all key personnel assigned to the project must be regularly and continuously engaged in the business of providing capacity building, technical assistance, and/or executive coaching services for at least two years which must be clearly stated or demonstrated in the bid response. Both the firm or organization AND assigned key personnel must meet the minimum number of years of experience.
    2. All Bidders must possess all permits, licenses, and professional credentials necessary to supply products and perform services specified under this RFP. Unless noted otherwise in the RFP, for example the item(s) stated above, including any Addendum, Bidder is not required to submit copies or verification of the permits, licenses and credentials; however, Bidder must provide such proof if requested by County.

## SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Contractors shall have the cultural and linguistic competency required to successfully implement proposed services. This competency should be reflected at all levels of an organization, including its leadership composition, staffing patterns, and hiring practices. Cultural competency spans not just race/ethnicity and language capacity but should include an understanding of and ability to reflect clients’ shared experience, and the unique experiences of community members as they relate to gender and sexual orientation, race, age, exposure to trauma, immigration experience, mental health and physical health status, socioeconomic status, disabilities, and other risk and protective factors.

While contractor(s) are expected to possess necessary language capacity, if needed, contractor(s) can utilize the Language Access Line, a telephonic translation/interpretation service provided by the County for interpretation and translation needs. Costs for additional translation and interpretation services may be included within the bid response quote.

Contractor will work with the County to post translated signage into appropriate languages. Contractor(s) must acknowledge the County on print and web-based materials and adhere to County guidelines on the usage of County logos. Contractor(s) will be responsible for printing costs (costs may be included within bid response quote). Contractor shall participate in planning and development meetings with community residents, community partners, local and municipal leaders, and Alameda County agencies as needed.

Contractors shall demonstrate cultural and linguistic competency. This competency should be reflected at all levels of an organization, including its leadership composition, staffing patterns, and hiring practices. Cultural competency spans not just race/ethnicity and language capacity but should include an understanding of and ability to reflect the unique experiences of community members as they relate to gender and sexual orientation, age, exposure to trauma, immigration experience, mental health and physical health status, socioeconomic status, disabilities, and other risk and protective factors.

## DELIVERABLES / REPORTS

On a specified cadence, and periodically as assigned, the awarded Bidder(s) shall directly report on the progress of activities and identified measures. This may include using the Results Based Accountability framework to track and report the effectiveness of community development as well as the impact the program has had on the public health effort, the community, and individuals served. The awarded Bidder(s) may be required to deliver regular progress reports using County-provided templates to reflect achievements and challenges in service delivery for the purpose of ongoing process improvement.

Additionally, the awarded Bidder(s) as a Coalition Lead will be required to attend regular team meetings with ACPHD staff to discuss progress and activities.

## BIDDERS CONFERENCE(S)

Bidders Conference(s) will be held to:

* + 1. Provide an opportunity for Bidders to request clarification on this RFP and ask specific questions about the project, goods, and services.
    2. Provide Bidders an opportunity to view a site, receive documents, etc., necessary to respond to this RFP.
    3. Provide the County with an opportunity to receive feedback related to this RFP.
    4. The Bidders Conference(s) Attendees List will be released in a separate document.
    5. Written questions submitted via email by the stated deadline will be addressed in a posted RFP Questions and Answers (Q&A) following the Bidders Conference(s). Should there be a need to amend or revise the RFP, an Addendum will be issued. Any verbal statements, including at any Bidders Conference(s) are not binding. Only the written documents will be binding.
    6. Questions regarding these specifications, terms, and conditions are to be submitted in writing via email by 5:00 p.m. on the date specified in the Calendar of Events to:

Carmen Smeester, Administrative Assistant

Alameda County Public Health Department - Administrative Services Division - Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit

E-Mail: [PHDprocurements@acgov.org](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org)

* + 1. Attendance at the Bidders Conference(s) highly recommended but are not mandatory. Vendors who attend the Bidders Conference(s) will be added to the Vendor Bid List.

# COUNTY PROCEDURES, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS

## EVALUATION CRITERIA / SELECTION COMMITTEE

1. Initial Evaluation (Completeness of Response and Debarment and Suspension).All proposals will first be reviewed to determine if they pass the initial Evaluation Criteria (Section A), which are determined on a pass/fail basis.
2. Evaluation by County Selection Committee.All proposals that have passed the initial Evaluation Criteria will be evaluated by a County Selection Committee (CSC).  The CSC may be composed of County staff and other parties that may have expertise or experience related to the goods or services that are being procured. The CSC will score the proposals according to the Evaluation Criteria set forth in this RFP.  Other than the initial pass/fail Evaluation Criteria, the evaluation of the proposals will be within the sole judgment and discretion of the CSC.
3. Unrealistic Bids. Bidders should bear in mind that any proposal that is unrealistic in terms of the technical or schedule commitments or unrealistically high or low in cost may be deemed reflective of an inherent lack of technical knowledge or indicative of a failure to comprehend the complexity and risk of the County’s requirements as set forth in this RFP.
4. Price Discrepancy.In the case of a discrepancy between the unit price and an extension, the unit price will be used for evaluation purposes.
5. Evaluation Criteria Descriptions. The items listed in the Evaluation Criteria should be considered as minimum requirements. All information contained in a proposal and presented in vendor interviews (if there are interviews) will be considered during the evaluation process and included in scoring within the appropriate Evaluation Criteria.
6. Evaluation Scores. Proposals will be evaluated and scored on the zero to five-point scale within each Evaluation Criteria below. Scores for all Evaluation Criteria (see the section below) will then be added, according to their assigned weight (below), to arrive at a weighted score for each proposal. A proposal with a higher-weight total will be deemed of higher quality than a proposal with a lesser-weight total.
7. Shortlist Process. The evaluation process may include a two-stage approach including a preliminary evaluation of the written proposal and preliminary scoring to develop a shortlist of Bidders that will continue to the final stage of optional vendor interview and reference checks. The preliminary scoring will be based on the total points, excluding any points allocated to references and optional vendor interviews. The 5 Bidders receiving the highest preliminary scores and with at least 200 points may advance to the next evaluation phase. All other Bidders will be deemed eliminated from the process. All Bidders will be notified of the shortlist participants; however, the preliminary scores at that time will not be communicated to Bidders.
8. Reference Checks. The County reserves the right to conduct reference check(s) on all Bidders who submitted a bid proposal. The CSC will then score the reference check(s), as identified in the Evaluation Criteria below, which will then be included in the final score.
9. Optional Vendor Interviews. The County may in its sole discretion, conduct vendor interviews. Should the County opt to conduct a vendor interview, the interview may include responding to standard and specific questions from the CSC regarding the Bidders’ proposal. Whether or not a shortlist process is used, the score of any evaluation criterion below may be revised or informed based on the vendor interview.
10. Final Score. The final maximum score for any procurement is 500 points. Proposals will be ranked by their final scores.
    1. *Without Vendor Interview*. In procurements where there are no vendor interviews, the score received by the evaluation of the written proposal with the references score added will be the final score.
    2. *With Vendor Interview.* In procurements where there are vendor interviews, the CSC will consider the interview and may adjust the scores received by the evaluation of the written proposal which, with the reference scores added, will be the final score.
11. Contact During Evaluation Process. All contact during the evaluation phase must be through the ACPHD Administrative Services Division - Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit only. Bidders must neither contact nor lobby CSC during the evaluation process. Attempts by Bidders to contact and/or influence members of the CSC may result in disqualification of Bidders.
12. Determining Award. As a result of this RFP, the County intends to award a contract to the highest-ranked responsible Bidder(s), as determined by the combined weight of the Evaluation Criteria, whose response conforms to the RFP and whose bid presents the greatest value to the County considering all Evaluation Criteria. The combined weight of the Evaluation Criteria is greater in importance than the cost in determining the best value to the County. The County may award a contract of higher qualitative competence over the lowest priced response.
13. The zero to five-point scale range is defined as follows:

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| 0 | Not Acceptable | Non-responsive, fails to meet RFP specifications. The approach has no probability of success. If the unmet specification is a mandatory requirement, this score may result in the disqualification of the proposal. |
| 1 | Poor | Below average, falls short of expectations, is substandard to that which is the average or expected norm, has a low probability of success in achieving objectives per RFP. |
| 2 | Fair | Has a reasonable probability of success; however, some objectives may not be met. |
| 3 | Average | Acceptable and likely to achieve all objectives in a reasonable fashion per RFP specification. This will be the baseline score for each item with adjustments based on the interpretation of the proposal by CSC members. |
| 4 | Above Average / Good | Better than that which is average or expected as the norm. Excellent probability of success in achieving all objectives of the RFP requirements and expectations. |
| 5 | Excellent / Exceptional | Exceeds expectations, is very innovative, clearly superior to that which is average or expected as the norm. Excellent probability of success in achieving all objectives and meeting RFP specifications. |

The Evaluation Criteria and their respective weights are as follows:

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|  | **Evaluation Criteria** | **Weight** |
| **i.** | **Completeness of Response:**  Responses to this RFP must be complete. Responses must address all the requirements identified within this RFP and all related documents, including any Addenda. Failure to meet the Bidder Minimum Qualifications may also be considered an incomplete response and may result in the disqualification of the Bidder. | Pass/Fail |
| **ii.** | **Debarment and Suspension:**  Bidders, its principal, and named subcontractors are not identified on the list of Federally debarred, suspended, or other excluded parties located at **[www.sam.gov/SAM](http://www.sam.gov/SAM).** | Pass/Fail |
| **A.** | **Relevant Experience:**    Proposals will be evaluated considering the RFP specifications and the questions below:     * + 1. How much experience does the Bidder have delivering services requested in the Scope and Specific Requirements sections of this RFP, include, example(s) of past work that demonstrates the desired relevant experience?     2. How well has the Bidder demonstrated a depth of relevant experience delivering technical assistance and capacity development services?     3. How well has the Bidder demonstrated an understanding of the technical assistance and capacity development needs of community-based organizations serving low-income communities and communities of color?     4. How well did the Bidder describe the need for capacity development or technical assistance? | 25 Points |
| **B.** | **Proposed Approaches/Strategies:**     1. How well did the Bidder describe their proposed approach, including specific strategies planned to build capacity? 2. How well did the Bidder describe how their approaches will add value to ACPHD’s efforts to build community capacity? | 30 Points |
| **C.** | **Implementation Plan, Deliverables and Reports:**   1. Does the implementation plan, timeline of project goals, measurable outcomes, and benchmarks align with the specifications in this RFP?      1. Does the proposal present a realistic and feasible timeline to implement services immediately, with sufficiently thorough explanation that demonstrates Bidder’s anticipated challenges, identifies factors that may impact implementation, and conveys a level of urgency?      1. To the extent are the Bidder’s performance measures realistic and reasonable?      1. To what extent can the bidder capture and analyze needed data to evaluate their progress towards meeting stated outcome? | 35 Points |
| **D.** | **Budget Justification and Budget Form**  The points for Cost will be computed by dividing the amount of the lowest responsive bid received by each Bidder’s total proposed cost.    While not reflected in the Cost evaluation points, an evaluation may also be made of the budget and budget narrative:   1. Reasonableness (i.e., does the proposed pricing accurately reflect the Bidder’s effort to meet the scope of work and object, specific requirements and deliverables?); and 2. Realistic (i.e., is the proposed cost appropriate to the nature of the services to be provided?). | 10 Points |

## CONTRACT EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

* + 1. During the initial 120-day period of any contract awarded, the County may review the proposal, the contract, any goods or services provided, and/or meet with the Contractor to identify any issues or potential problems.
    2. The County reserves the right to determine, at its sole discretion, whether:
       1. The Contractor has complied with all terms of this RFP and the contract; and
       2. Any problems or potential problems with the proposed goods and/or services were evidenced, which makes it unlikely (even with possible modifications) that such goods and/or services have met or will meet the County requirements.
    3. If, as a result of such determination, the County concludes that it is not satisfied with the Contractor’s performance under any awarded contract and/or Contractor’s goods and services as contracted for therein, the Contractor may be notified that the contract is being terminated.  The Contractor must be responsible for returning County facilities to their original state at no charge to the County.  The County will have the right to invite the next qualified Bidder(s) to enter into a contract.  The County also reserves the right to re-bid this project if it is determined to be in its best interest to do so. The County’s right to go to the next qualified Bidder(s) and/or rebid is not limited by the award of a contract or the 120-day period.

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

* + 1. At the conclusion of the RFP response evaluation period, all Bidders will be notified in writing by email or US Postal Service mail of the contract award recommendation, if any, by Alameda County Public Health Department – Administrative Services Division – Procurements, Grants, & Contracts. The document providing this notification is the Notice of Intent to Award/Non-Award.

The Notice of Intent to Award/Non-Award will provide the following information:

* + - 1. The name(s) of the Bidder(s) being recommended for contract award; and
      2. The names of all other parties that submitted proposals.
    1. The submitted proposals will be made available upon request no later than five calendar days before approval of the award and contract is scheduled to be considered by the Board of Supervisors.

## Bid Protest / Appeals Process

The County of Alameda prides itself on the establishment of fair and competitive contracting procedures and the commitment made to follow those procedures. The following is provided in the event that Bidders wish to protest the bid process or appeal the recommendation to award a contract once the Notices of Intent to Award/Non-Award have been issued. Bid protests submitted prior to issuance of the Notices of Intent to Award/Non-Award will not be accepted by the County.

* + 1. Any bid protest must be submitted in writing by 5:00 p.m. on the SEVENTH (7th) calendar day following the date of issuance of the Notice of Intent to Award/ Non-Award, not the date received by the Bidder. The bid protest must be submitted to the office that has been designated for review of protests for this procurement (the Protest Evaluator). For this procurement, the Protest Evaluator is:

Alameda County Public Health Department - Administrative Services Division – Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit

ATTN: Administrative Services Division Director, Tamarra Brown

1100 San Leandro Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577

Email: [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org) Write “Bid Protest” in the email subject line and include the RFQ reference number.

A bid protest received after 5:00 p.m. is considered received as of the next calendar day. A protest received after 5:00 p.m. on the SEVENTH (7th) calendar day following the date of issuance of the Notice of Intent to Award/Non-Award will not be considered under any circumstances by the Protest Evaluator or their designee.

Generally, the County will promptly send an email acknowledging receipt of the protest; it is the responsibility of the protestor to confirm that the protest was timely received.

* + - 1. The bid protest must contain a complete statement of the reasons and facts for the protest.
      2. The protest must refer to the specific portions of all documents that form the basis for the protest.
      3. The protest must include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person submitting the protest on behalf of the protesting party.
      4. The Department Representatives will send a notification to Bidders if a protest is received.
    1. The Protest Evaluator, or their designee, will review and evaluate the protest and issue a written decision. The Protest Evaluator may, at its discretion, do any of the following: investigate the protest, obtain additional information, provide an opportunity to settle the protest by mutual agreement, and/or schedule a meeting(s) with the protesting Bidder and others (as appropriate) to discuss the protest. The decision on the bid protest must be final prior to the Board hearing or award by the Administrative Services Division Director.   
         
       Notification of the decision will be communicated by email and/or US Postal Service mail to the protestor. Notification will be provided to Bidders when a decision has been made on the protest and whether or not the recommendation to the Board of Supervisors OR Administrative Services Division Director in the Notice of Intent to Award/ Non-Award will stand.
    2. The decision on the bid protest by the Protest Evaluator may be appealed to the Auditor-Controller's Office of Contract Compliance & Reporting (OCCR) located at 1221 Oak St., Room 249, Oakland, CA 94612, Email: [**OCCR@acgov.org**](mailto:OCCR@acgov.org), unless the OCCR determines that it has a conflict of interest in which case an alternate will be identified to hear the appeal and all steps to be taken by OCCR will be performed by the alternate. The Bidder whose bid is the subject of the protest, all Bidders affected by the Protest Evaluator's decision on the protest, and the protestor have the right to appeal if they feel the Protest Evaluator's decision is incorrect. All appeals to the Auditor-Controller's OCCR must be in writing and submitted within SEVEN (7) calendar days following the issuance of the decision, not the date the decision is received by the Bidder. An appeal received after 5:00 p.m. is considered received as of the next calendar day. An appeal received after 5:00 p.m. on the SEVENTH (7th) calendar day following the date of issuance of the decision by the Protest Evaluator will not be considered under any circumstances by the Auditor-Controller OCCR or their designee.
       1. The appeal must specify the decision being appealed and all the facts and circumstances relied upon in support of the appeal.
       2. In reviewing protest appeals, the OCCR will not re-judge the proposal(s). The appeal to the OCCR must be limited to a review of the procurement process to determine if the contracting department materially erred in following the bid or, if applicable, County contracting policies or other laws and regulations.
       3. The appeal to the OCCR must be limited to the grounds raised in the original protest and the written decision by the Protest Evaluator. As such, a Bidder is prohibited from stating new grounds for a Bid protest in its appeal.
       4. The Auditor’s Office may overturn the results of a bid process for ethical violations by Procurement staff, County Selection Committee members, subject matter experts, or any other County staff managing or participating in the competitive bid process, regardless of timing or the contents of a bid protest.
       5. The finding of the Auditor-Controller’s OCCR is the final step of the appeal process. A copy of the finding of the Auditor-Controller’s OCCR will be furnished to the protestor.
       6. The finding on the appeal must be issued before a recommendation to award the contract is considered and the contract awarded by the Board of Supervisors or Administrative Services Division Director.
    3. The procedures and time limits set forth in this section are mandatory and are each Bidder's sole and exclusive remedy in the event of a bid protest. A Bidder’s failure to timely complete both the bid protest and appeal procedures will be deemed a failure to exhaust administrative remedies. Failure to exhaust administrative remedies, or failure to comply otherwise with these procedures, will constitute a waiver of any right to further pursue the bid protest, including filing a Government Code Claim or legal proceedings.

## TERM / TERMINATION / RENEWAL

* + 1. The contract term, which may be awarded pursuant to this RFP, will be initially two (2) years with an option to renew or extend up to an additional three (3) years, contingent on the availability of funding.
    2. By mutual agreement, any contract which may be awarded pursuant to this RFP, may be extended for an additional three (3) years. The duration of the contract amendments may vary based on the need for capacity development support but will not exceed three (3) years. The County has and reserves the right to suspend, terminate or abandon the execution of any work, services and/or providing of goods by the Contractor without cause at any time upon giving the Contractor prior written notice. In the event that the County should abandon, terminate or suspend the Contractor’s work, services and/or providing of goods, the Contractor shall be entitled to payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination, or abandonment. The County may terminate the contract at any time for cause without written notice upon a material breach of contract or substandard or unsatisfactory performance by the Contractor. In the event of termination with cause, the County reserves the right to seek any and all damages from the Contractor.  In the event of such termination, with or without cause, the County reserves the right to invite the next highest-ranked Bidder to enter into a contract or rebid the project if it is determined to be in its best interest to do so.

## QUANTITIES

Quantities listed herein are estimates and are not to be construed as a commitment. No minimum or maximum is guaranteed or implied.

## PRICING

* + 1. All pricing as quoted will not increase, but except as noted below, remain fixed and firm for the term of any contract that may be awarded as a result of this RFP.
    2. Unless otherwise stated, Bidder agrees that, in the event of a price decline, the benefit of such a lower price will be extended to the County.
    3. Reasonable price increases or decreases for subsequent contract terms may be negotiated between Contractor and County after completion of the initial term.
    4. Taxes and freight charges:
       1. The County is soliciting a lump sum or total price for this project. The price(s) quoted shall be the total cost the County will pay for this project, including all taxes (excluding Sales and Use taxes) and all other charges.
       2. No charge for delivery, drayage, express, parcel post packing, cartage, insurance, license fees, permits, costs of bonds, or for any other purpose, except taxes legally payable by the County, will be paid by the County unless expressly included and itemized in the bid proposal.
       3. The amount paid for the transportation of property to the County of Alameda is exempt from Federal Transportation Tax. An exemption certificate is not required where the shipping papers show the consignee as Alameda County as such papers may be accepted by the carrier as proof of the exempt character of the shipment.
       4. Articles sold to the County of Alameda are exempt from certain Federal excise taxes. If applicable, and upon request, the County will furnish an exemption certificate.
    5. All prices quoted must be in United States dollars.
    6. Price quotes must include any and all payment incentives available to the County.
    7. In the evaluation of cost, if applicable, it will be assumed that the unit price quoted is correct in the case of a discrepancy between the unit price and an extension, and the Bidder must honor the unit price quoted.
    8. Federal and State minimum wage laws apply. The County has no requirements for living wages. The County is not imposing any additional requirements regarding wages.

## AWARD

* + 1. Most Responsive and Responsible Bidder(s)
       1. The award will be made to the highest-ranked Bidder(s) who meets the requirements of these specifications, terms, and conditions.
       2. Awards may also be made to the subsequent highest ranked Bidder(s) who will be called in order should the County need to contract with another Bidder(s).
       3. An award will be recommended for the Bidder(s) that submitted the proposal(s) that best serves the overall interests of the County by attaining the highest overall point score. The award may not necessarily be made to the Bidder(s) with the lowest price.
    2. Federal Contract Provisions**:** Funds used for payment of contract(s) awarded from this procurement may be from, or subject to reimbursement, by state and/or federal funds. Some of these funding sources require additional contractual obligations. Bidder must agree to federal contracting terms and conditions, that supplement the County’s Standard Services Contract General Terms and Conditions which are attached as hereto as **Exhibit B, ADDITIONAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS – FEDERAL PROVISION.** The successful Bidder must meet federal requirements and agree to the terms including, but not limited to, meeting all contracting requirements as set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.326 and 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II.
    3. County Rights
       1. The County reserves the right to reject any or all responses that materially differ from any terms contained in this RFP, including Exhibits and any Addendums, to waive informalities and minor irregularities in responses received, and to provide an opportunity for Bidders to correct minor and immaterial errors contained in their submissions. The decision as to what constitutes a minor irregularity shall be made solely at the discretion of the County.
       2. Any bid proposals that contain false or misleading information may be disqualified by the County.
       3. The County reserves the right to award to a single or multiple Contractors.
       4. The County reserves the right to conduct additional procurements for the same or similar goods and/or services or to award to additional contract(s), including to other Bidder(s), during the term of the contract if it determines that additional Contractors are needed to supplement goods and/or services being provided.
       5. The County has the right to decline to award this contract or any part thereof for any reason.
    4. Procedures
       1. Board approval to award a contract is required.
       2. A contract must be fully executed by the recommended awardee and the County prior to any services and goods being provided or work being performed.
       3. The County uses its Standard Services Agreement terms and conditions for purchases and services. Any terms that are not acceptable to a Bidder must be identified on the Exceptions and Clarifications form in Exhibit A - Bid Response Packet. Bidder may access a copy of the Standard Services Agreement template at:

[**Alameda County Federal Standard Services Agreement**](https://acgovt.sharepoint.com/:w:/s/GSADigitalLibrary/EcP9Z6qYJsVEtFJU8ZTS-7MBs6nT4AjOufE4yZTg-KoJGA?e=yyyBfu) **Template [**[**https://acgovt.sharepoint.com/:w:/s/GSADigitalLibrary/EcP9Z6qYJsVEtFJU8ZTS-7MBs6nT4AjOufE4yZTg-KoJGA?e=yyyBfu**](https://acgovt.sharepoint.com/:w:/s/GSADigitalLibrary/EcP9Z6qYJsVEtFJU8ZTS-7MBs6nT4AjOufE4yZTg-KoJGA?e=yyyBfu)**]**

The template contains minimal standard language and specific contract terms, including the scope of services that may be drafted and negotiated based on this RFP and the bid proposal(s). As noted above, **Exhibit B, ADDITIONAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS – FEDERAL PROVISION,** will be part of the contract.

1. The RFP specifications, terms, conditions, Exhibits, RFP Addenda, and Bidder’s proposal may be incorporated into and made a part of any contract that may be awarded as a result of this RFP.

## METHOD OF ORDERING

* + 1. A written Purchase Order (PO) will be issued after an executed contract and Board or GSA Director approval. If there is any conflict in terms of any PO and the executed contract, the contract will control, even if a PO is issued later. Payment cannot be made to any Contractor until a PO is issued.
    2. POs and payments for goods and/or services will be issued only in the name of the Contractor, as identified on the contract.
    3. The Contractor must adapt to changes to the method of ordering procedures as required by the County during the term of the contract.
    4. Any change orders must be agreed upon in writing by Contractor and County and issued as needed by County.

## WARRANTY

* + 1. Bidder expressly warrants that all services to be furnished pursuant to any contract awarded arising from the proposal will conform to the descriptions and specifications contained herein, in the submitted proposal, and in supplier catalogs, product brochures, and other representations, depictions or models, and will be free from defects, of merchantable quality, good material, and workmanship. Bidder expressly warrants that all goods and/or services to be furnished pursuant to such award will be fit and sufficient for the purpose(s) intended. This warranty shall survive any inspections, delivery, acceptance, or payment by the County. Bidder warrants that all goods and/or work and/or services furnished hereunder shall be guaranteed for a period of 2 (two) years from the date of acceptance by the County.

## INVOICING

* + 1. Contractor shall invoice the requesting department, unless otherwise directed by County, upon satisfactory receipt of goods and/or performance of services.
    2. County will use reasonable efforts to make payment within 30 days following receipt and review of invoice and complete satisfactory receipt of goods and/or performance of services.
    3. County will notify the Contractor of any adjustments or corrections that must be made to receive payment on an invoice.
    4. Invoices submitted by the Contractor must contain the County PO number, invoice number, remit to address, itemized goods and/or services description, and price as quoted and must be accompanied by an acceptable proof of delivery and any other information requested by the County.
    5. Contractor must utilize a standardized invoice format upon request.
    6. Invoices must be issued by, and payments made to, the Contractor who is awarded a contract.
    7. The County will pay the Contractor, after receipt and approval of an invoice, monthly or as agreed upon, not to exceed the total contract amount. The County will not pay for goods and/or services in advance.
    8. In the event the Contractor’s performance and/or deliverable goods have been deemed unsatisfactory by a review committee, the County reserves the right to withhold future payments until the performance and/or deliverable goods are deemed satisfactory.

## ACCOUNT MANAGER / SUPPORT STAFF

* + 1. The Contractor must provide dedicated support staff to be the primary contact for all issues regarding the response to this RFP and any contract which may arise pursuant to this RFP.
    2. Contractor must also provide adequate, competent support staff that shall be able to service the County during normal working hours, Monday through Friday, or as otherwise identified in this RFP. Such representative(s) must be knowledgeable about the contract, products, and/or services offered and able to identify and resolve quickly any issues, including but not limited to order and invoicing problems.
    3. Contractor must provide a dedicated, competent account manager who shall be responsible for the County account/contract and receive all orders. Contractor account manager shall be familiar with County requirements and standards and work with the Alameda County Public Health Department staff to ensure that established standards are adhered to. This includes keeping the County Contract Administrator informed of Department requests as needed.

# INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

## COUNTY CONTACTS

1. Alameda County Public Health Department - Administrative Services Division – Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit is managing the competitive process for this project on behalf of the County. All contact during the competitive process is to be through the Alameda County Public Health Department - Administrative Services Division – Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit only. Any communication regarding this RFP with other County personnel may result in disqualification.
2. The evaluation phase of the competitive process shall begin upon receipt of sealed bid proposals and continue until a contract has been awarded.
3. Contact Information for this RFP:

PHDprocurements@acgov.org,

Alameda County,

1100 San Leandro Blvd. 4th Fl.

San Leandro, CA 94577

Email: [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org)

Phone: (510) 267-8050

1. The Alameda County General Services Agency website [**https://acphd.org/contractingopportunities**](https://acphd.org/contractingopportunities)will be the official notification posting place of all bid documents related to this RFP. Each Bidder is responsible for checking the website for any Addendums and other notices related to this RFP. Go to [**Alameda County Public Health Department Current Contracting Opportunities**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/) [**https://acphd.org/contracting-opportunities/**](https://acphd.org/contracting-opportunities/)to view the posting for this RFP and other current contracting opportunities.

## SUBMITTAL OF PROPOSALS

* + 1. Document Submittal
       1. All bids must be SEALED and must be received at the Alameda County Public Health Department, Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit office by 2:00 p.m. on the due date specified in the Calendar of Events.

NOTE: LATE AND/OR UNSEALED BIDS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED. IF HAND DELIVERING BIDS, PLEASE ALLOW TIME FOR METERED STREET PARKING OR PARKING IN AREA PUBLIC PARKING LOTS AND ENTRY INTO SECURE BUILDING.

Bids will be received only at the address shown below, and by the time indicated in the Calendar of Events. Any bid received after the said time and/or date or at a place other than the stated address cannot be considered and will be returned to the bidder unopened.

All bids, whether delivered by an employee or Bidder, U.S. Postal Service, courier, or package delivery service, must be received and time stamped at the stated address prior to the time designated. The Public Health Department Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit’s timestamp shall be considered the official timepiece for the purpose of establishing the actual receipt of bids.

Bids are to be addressed and delivered as follows:

**Alameda County, Public Health Department Procurements, Grants, & Contracts Unit RFP No. ACPHD – ~~HPCP~~ CAPDEV – 1005 Attn: Kabir Hypolite 1100 San Leandro Blvd., Ste. 120 San Leandro, CA 94577**

**Bidder’s name, return address, and the RFP number and title must also appear on the mailing package.**

**\*PLEASE NOTE that on the bid due date, a bid reception desk will be open between 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and will be located on the first floor at 1100 San Leandro Blvd.**

* + - 1. Bid responses must be straightforward, clear, concise, and specific to the information requested.
      2. For the proposals to be considered complete, the Bidder **must** provide responses to all information requested in Exhibit A – Bid Response Packet, as revised by any Addenda, including additional required documentation. **A Bidder may be disqualified if the most current version of Exhibit A, as revised and published through Addenda, is not used.**
      3. In whole or in part, proposal responses are NOT to be marked confidential or proprietary. The County may refuse to consider any proposal or part thereof so marked. Bid proposals submitted in response to this RFP may be subject to public disclosure, even if marked confidential or proprietary.  The County shall not be liable in any way for disclosure of any such records. Please refer to the County’s website at [**Alameda County Proprietary and Confidential Information**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/proprietary-confidential-information/) **Policies** **[**[**https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/proprietary-confidential-information/**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/proprietary-confidential-information/)**].**

Bidders are to submit one (1) original hardcopy bid (Exhibit A – Bid Response Packet, as amended or revised by Addendum, including additional required documentation), with original ink signatures, plus four (4) copies of their proposal. Original proposal is to be clearly marked “ORIGINAL” with copies ot be marked “COPY”. All submittals should be printed on plain white paper and must be either loose leaf or in a 3-ring binder (NOT bound). It is preferred that all proposals submitted shall be printed double-sided and on minimum 30% post-consumer recycled content paper. Inability to comply with the 30% post-consumer recycled content recommendation will have no impact on the evaluation and scoring of the proposal.

Bidders must also submit an electronic copy of their proposal. The electronic copy must be in a single file (PDF with Optical Character Recognition preferred) and shall be an exact scanned image of the original hard copy Exhibit A – Bid Response Packet, including additional required documentation. The file must be on USB flash drive and enclosed with the sealed original hardcopy of the bid.

All signatures must be present in the electronic bid response (e.g., Bidders may want to sign any pages that require signature, scan them, and make them part of the electronic file).

**A Bidder may be disqualified if the most current version of Exhibit A, as revised and published through Addenda, is not used.**

* + - 1. BIDDERS SHALL NOT MODIFY BID FORM(S) OR QUALIFY THEIR BIDS. BIDDERSSHALL NOT SUBMIT TO THE COUNTY A SCANNED, RE-TYPED, WORK-PROCESSED, OR OTHERWISE RECREATED VERSION OF THE BID FORM(S0 OR ANY OTHER COUNTY-PROVIDED DOCUMENT.
      2. No email (electronic) or facsimile bids will be considered.
      3. All other information regarding the bid responses will be held as confidential until such time as the County Selection Committee has competed its evaluation, a recommended award has been made by the County Selection Committee, and the contract has been fully negotiated with the recommended awardee named in the recommendation to award/non-award notification(s). The submitted proposals shall be made available upon request no later than five calendar days before the recommendation to award and enter into contract is scheduled to be heard by the Board of Supervisors. All parties submitting proposals, either qualified or unqualified, will be sent recommendation to award/non-award notification(s), which will include the name of the bidder to be recommended for award of this project. In addition, award information will be posted on the County’s “Contracting Opportunities” website mentioned above.
      4. Each bid received will be entered into a log identifying each bidder. This record will be available to the public upon request.
    1. Submissions Processes
       1. All costs required for the preparation and submission of a proposal shall be borne by the Bidder.
       2. Only one bid proposal will be accepted from any one person, partnership, corporation, or other entity; however, several alternatives may be included in one response. For purposes of this requirement, “partnership” shall mean, and is limited to, a legal partnership formed under one or more of the provisions of California or other state’s Corporations Code or an equivalent statute.
       3. The final award information will be posted on the County’s “Contracting Opportunities” website.
       4. The County reserves the right to reject any proposal.
       5. All bid proposals shall remain open to acceptance and irrevocable for a period of not less than 180 days unless otherwise specified in the bid documents.
    2. Legal Requirements
       1. “In submitting a bid to a public purchasing body, the Bidder offers and agrees that if the bid is accepted, it will assign to the purchasing body all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Sec. or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2, commencing with Section 16700, of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, materials, or services by the Bidder for sale to the purchasing body pursuant to the bid. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing body tenders final payment to the Bidder”. (California Government Code Section 4552).
       2. By submitting a bid proposal, the Bidder expressly acknowledges that it is aware that if a false claim is knowingly submitted (as the terms “claim” and “knowingly” are defined in the California False Claims Act, Cal. Gov. Code, §12650 et seq.), County will be entitled to civil remedies set forth in the California False Claim Act. Such actions may also be considered fraud and subject to criminal prosecution.
       3. The Bidder, by submitting a proposal, certifies that it is, at the time of bidding, and shall be, throughout the period of the contract, licensed by the State of California to do the type of work required under the terms of the RFP and contract documents. Bidder further certifies that it is regularly engaged in the general class and type of work called for in the RFP and contract documents.
       4. The Bidder, by submitting a proposal, certifies that it is not, at the time of bidding, on the California Department of General Services (DGS) list of persons determined to be engaged in investment activities in Iran or otherwise in violation of the Iran Contracting Act of 2010 (Public Contract Code Section 2200-2208).

**EXHIBIT A**

**BID RESPONSE PACKET**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

* + 1. Please read EXHIBIT A **– Bid Response Packet** carefully; **INCOMPLETE BID PROPOSALS MAY BE REJECTED.** Alameda County will not accept submissions or documentation after the bid response due date. Successful uploading of a document does not equal acceptance of the document by Alameda County.
    2. The bid proposal must comply with all requirements contained in the RFP. **It is strongly recommended that Bidders verify and review all Addenda to confirm the use of the most current forms and provide all information requested.**
    3. The bid proposal submission must conform to and include Exhibit A – Bid Response Packet, as amended or revised by Addendum, including additional required documentation. **A Bidder may be disqualified if the most current version of Exhibit A, as revised and published through Addenda, is not used.**
    4. The following pages require confirmation, declaration, and /or a signature (?). There must be either: (1) be printed and have an original signature(s); or (2) be digitally signed via a DocuSign, CongaSign, or other verifiable independent electronic signature services. All signatures must be by an individual authorized to bind the Bidder. These pages must then be uploaded through the Alameda County [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org) as part of the Bidder’s proposal.

1. Exhibit A – Bid Response Packet, [**Bidder Acceptance**](#_BIDDER_INFORMATION)
2. Exhibit A – Bid Response Packet, [**Debarment and Suspension Certification**](#Debarment)
3. Exhibit B-1 – Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements; CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING (APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18).
   * 1. Each page of the Bid Response Packet must be submitted through the [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org) as PDF attachment(s) with all required information included and documents attached; any pages of the Bid Response Packet not applicable to the Bidders are to be submitted with such pages or items clearly marked “N/A” or the bid proposal may be disqualified as incomplete.
     2. Bidders must not modify the Bid Response Packet or any other County-provided document unless instructed to do so, or the bid proposal may be disqualified.
     3. **Bid pricing OR Excel Bid Form(s)** must be submitted online through Alameda County [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org)**.**
     4. Bidders must quote price(s) as specified in the RFP, using the form(s) as amended or revised by any Addenda.
     5. Any clarifications or exceptions to policies or specifications of this RFP, including all Addenda and other documents must be submitted in the ***Exceptions and Clarifications***form of the Bid Response Packet.
     6. Bidders must read all information and follow directions in the https://acphd.org/ “Contracting Opportunities link.
     7. File names are restricted to 64 characters for all files uploaded as part of any bid proposal. The file extension (e.g., ".pdf" or ".xls") is counted as part of the file name character limit. Attempting to upload a file with a file name longer than 64 characters may result in an error message or failure to load.
     8. **Bidders who do not comply with the requirements and/or submit incomplete bid proposal packages are subject to disqualification and their bid proposals rejected.**

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### COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

### Exhibit A

### BID RESPONSE PACKET

RFP No. ACPHD – ~~HPCP~~ CAPDEV - 1005

**CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

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| BIDDER INFORMATION |

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| Official Name of Bidder: | | |  | | | | |
| Street Address Line 1: | | |  | | | | |
| Street Address Line 2: | | |  | | | | |
| City: |  | | | State: |  | Zip Code: |  |
| Webpage: | |  | | | | | |

**Type of Entity / Organizational Structure (check one):**

Corporation  Joint Venture  Partnership

Limited Liability Partnership  Limited Liability Corporation  Sole Proprietor

Non-Profit / Church  Other:

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| Jurisdiction of Organizational Structure: |  |
| Date of Organizational Structure: |  |
| Federal Tax Identification Number: |  |
| Alameda County Supplier Identification Number (if applicable): |  |
| DIR Contractor Registration Number (if applicable): |  |

**Primary Contact Information:**

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| Name / Title: |  | | |
| Telephone Number: |  | Alternate Number: |  |
| Email Address: |  | | |

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| BIDDER ACCEPTANCE |

1. The undersigned declares that the procurement bid documents, including, without limitation, the RFP, Q&A, Addenda, and Exhibits (the Bid Documents), have been read and accepted.
2. The undersigned has reviewed the Bid Documents and fully understands the requirements for this RFP, including, but not limited to, general County requirements, and that each Bidder who is awarded a contract must be, in fact, a prime Contractor, not a subcontractor, to County, and agrees that its bid proposal, if accepted by County, will be the basis for the Bidder to enter into a contract with County in accordance with the intent of the Bid Documents.
3. The undersigned agrees to the following terms, conditions, certifications, and requirements found on the County’s website:
   1. [**General Requirements**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/general-requirements/)

**[**[**https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/general-requirements/**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/general-requirements/)**]**

1. [**Debarment & Suspension Policy**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/debarment-suspension-policy/)

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1. [**Iran Contracting Act (ICA) of 2010**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/iran-contracting-act-of-2010-ica/)

**[**[**https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/iran-contracting-act-of-2010-ica/**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/iran-contracting-act-of-2010-ica/)**]**

1. [**General Environmental Requirements**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/general-environmental-requirements/)

**[**[**https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/general-environmental-requirements/**](https://gsa.acgov.org/do-business-with-us/contracting-opportunities/policies-procedures/general-environmental-requirements/)**]**

[**HIPAA Business Associate Agreement**](https://acgovt.sharepoint.com/:f:/r/sites/AlamedaCountyDocumentCenter/GSA/Procurement/Uniform%20Procurement%20Manual/B.%20Templates/HIPAA%20Business%20Associate%20Agreement?csf=1&web=1&e=QzR2S2)

1. The undersigned acknowledges that Bidder is and will remain in good standing in the State of California, with all the necessary licenses, permits, certifications, approvals, and authorizations necessary to perform all obligations in connection with this RFP and any contract that is awarded.
2. **The undersigned acknowledges that any contract that may be awarded from this procurement is or may be funded in whole or part with federal funds and that it will abide by all federal funding requirements.**
3. The undersigned acknowledges that it is the responsibility of each Bidder to be familiar with all of the specifications, terms, and conditions of the RFP and, if applicable, the site condition. By the submission of a bid proposal, the Bidder certifies that if awarded a contract, they will make no claim against the County based upon ignorance of conditions or misunderstanding of the specifications.
4. Bidder agrees to hold the County of Alameda, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expenses, for infringement or use of any patent, copyright, or other proprietary rights, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in connection with bid proposal and/or any resulted contract or purchase order.
5. By signing below, the signatory warrants and represents that the signer has completed, acknowledged, and agreed to this Bidder Acceptance in their authorized capacity and that by their signature on this Bidder Acceptance, they, and the entity upon behalf of which they acted, acknowledged and agreed to this Bidder Acceptance and that all are true and correct and are made under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of California.

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| **SIGNATURE:** ?  Name/Title of Authorized Signer:  Dated this day of 20 |

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| DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION (PROCUREMENTS $25,000 AND OVER) |

The Bidder, under penalty of perjury, certifies that, except as noted below, Bidder, its principal, and any named and unnamed subcontractor:

* Is not currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or determination of ineligibility by any federal agency;
* Has not been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any federal agency within the past three years;
* Does not have a proposed debarment pending; and
* Has not been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgment rendered against it by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three years.

If there are any exceptions to this certification, insert the exceptions in the following space. For any exception noted, indicate to whom it applies, initiating agency, and dates of action. Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of the award but will be considered in determining Contractor responsibility.

Notes: Providing false information may result in criminal prosecution or administrative sanctions. The above certification is part of the Proposal. Signing this Response on the signature portion thereof shall also constitute the signature of this Certification.

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| **BIDDER:**  **PRINCIPAL: TITLE:**  **SIGNATURE:** ? **DATE:** |

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| **BIDDER MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS** |

**Instructions:** Bidder must respond and/or provide support documentation that fulfills all the minimum qualifications as identified in the RFP documents. Bidders applying in Categories 1 or 3 must describe their experience delivering capacity building or technical assistance services to community based organizations serving low income communities and communities of color. Bidders applying in Categories 2 or 4 must describe their organizations’ size, mission, and communities served. All bidders must provide proof of any other permits, licenses, and/or professional credentials necessary to supply products and perform services as specified in this RFP if requested by the County.

**Maximum Length:** Two (2) pages

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| BID/BUDGET FORM(S) |

**Instructions**:Bidder must use the **Bid**/**Budget Form(s)** provided below OR **separate Excel Bid/Budget Form(s)**.

**COST MUST BE SUBMITTED AS REQUESTED ON THE BID FORM(S)** OR **EXCEL BID FORM(S). NO ALTERATIONS OR CHANGES OF ANY KIND ARE PERMITTED.**

Bid proposals that do not comply may be rejected.

The cost quoted must include all taxes (excluding sales and use tax) and all other charges, including travel expenses. The price quoted will be the maximum cost the County will pay for the term of any contract resulting from this RFP.

Quantities listed on Alameda County [**EZSourcing Supplier Portal**](https://ezsourcing.acgov.org) are for example only; they are not to be construed as a commitment of the County to purchase that quantity. No minimum or maximum is guaranteed or implied. The cost quoted will be the price of the items identified, regardless of the quantity purchased.

Bid pricing on all line items is required. If there are any line items that are not priced, the bid may be considered a partial bid and disqualified. Partial bids are not acceptable.

By submission through the Alameda County [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org)Bidder certifies to County that all representations, certifications, and statements made by Bidder, as set forth in each entry in the Alameda County [**PHDprocurements@acgov.org**](mailto:PHDprocurements@acgov.org) and attachments are true and correct and are made under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of California.

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| BUDGET DETAIL AND/OR COST NARRATIVE |

**Instructions**: Bidder is to provide a **Budget Detail**.

The *Budget Detail* must provide a breakdown of the cost(s) listed in the *BUDGET*/*BID FORM*. Bidders may use a budget template of their own choice; however, all costs attributed to the project under the awarded contract MUST be listed and described in the *Budget Detail*.

At a minimum, the Bidder must detail:

1. The work to be performed and all associated costs.
2. If coordination with County personnel is needed, it should also be described in the Budget Detail.
3. The work to be performed must clearly match up with work performed in the Description of Proposed Services (below).
4. The position and cost of individuals that will perform the services.
5. Names of Key Personnel must be included in the narrative; however, they may also be identified in the budget, or identification may be made by position title or program.
6. The estimated number of hours for each individual/position, corresponding hourly rates, and extended costs.

**Maximum Length:** Two (2) pages

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| TABLE OF KEY PERSONNEL |

**Instructions**: Bidder is to provide a **Table of Key Personnel**. The table is to include all essential personnel associated with providing services to the County, including collaborating partners.

To appropriately evaluate Bidder's qualifications, the table should include the following information for each key person:

1. The person’s relationship with Bidder, including job title and years of employment with Bidder.
2. Work contact information includes, but is not limited to, the following: work address, office telephone number, mobile work number, and work email address.

If a Bidder collaborates with any other partners or subcontractors, the Bidder shall identify all key personnel, subcontractors, subcontractor qualifications, and how they plan to work together. Bidder shall identify any existing agreements or MOUs between the Bidder(s) and proposed collaborator(s).

In addition to the table, Bidder(s) must submit a complete résumé or curriculum vitae for each key personnel listed in the table, including educational background, relevant experience on similar projects, certifications, and merits. (Resumes should include work contact information, not personal contact information for the person.)

**Maximum Length: There is no limit to the table. There is, however, a 2-page limit per résumé or curriculum vitae.** **Résumé and curriculum vitae are subject to public disclosure and business addresses should be used not home addresses.**

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| DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED SERVICES |

**Instructions:** Bidder is to provide a **Description of Proposed Services**.

The *Description of Proposed Service* must describe the overall services. The Bidder must address how they will meet or exceed each requirement listed in Section X (Requirements) and Section X (Deliverables/Reports).

At a minimum, the Bidder must include the following details:

Keeping in mind the Category for which the Bidder is applying, describe how Bidder will meet the program’s desired overall goals, anticipated outcomes, measurable objectives, and critical tasks, including how key personnel will be responsible for achieving them.

Explain any unique resources, procedures, approaches, or circumstances that make the services of Bidder responsive to meeting the requirements of the RFP.

Identify any limitations or challenges that exist or are foreseen for the Bidder. Explain what measures will be taken to adequately address identified limitations or challenges. (Please note any requests for exceptions or clarifications MUST be identified on the *Exceptions and Clarification* form. **The County is under no obligation to accept any exceptions or clarifications, and any such exceptions and clarifications may be a basis for bid disqualification.**)

**Maximum Length:** Four (4) pages.

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| **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND SCHEDULE** |

**Instructions:** Bidder is to provide an **Implementation Plan and Schedule**.

In conjunction with the *Description of Proposed Services* and the *Budget Detail*, the Bidder must include an *Implementation Plan and Schedule* that specifically addresses the following:

A timeline of project goals, measurable outcomes, and benchmark activities related to the provision of required services and the key personnel assigned to each.

The ideal Implementation Plan and Schedule will provide a clear picture of what the County can expect during the contract term and in preparing to start the contract. Bidders should consider the information and questions contained in the Evaluation Criteria and Specific Requirements in preparing the Implementation Plan and Schedule.

**Maximum Length:** Three (3) pages.

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| **REFERENCES** |

**Instructions**: On the following pages are the templates that Bidders are to use for providing references. Bidders are to provide a list of three (3) references. References must be satisfactory as deemed solely by County.

Services or goods provided by Bidders to the references should have similar scope, volume, and requirements to those outlined in these specifications, terms, and conditions.

Bidder must currently be providing goods and/or services for at least two of the references or have done so within the last two (2) years.

Bidders should verify that the contact information for all references provided is current and valid. If a reference cannot be contacted, it may affect the qualification and scoring of the Bidders’ bid proposals.

Bidders are strongly encouraged to notify all references that the County may be contacting them to obtain a reference.

The County may contact some or all the references provided in order to determine items such as Bidders’ years of experience and performance records on work similar to that described in this request.

The County reserves the right to contact individuals/entities for references other than those provided in the Response and to use any information obtained in the evaluation process.

NOTE: Bidders should not list the County department requesting services/goods as part of the references.

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| **REFERENCES** |

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**CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

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| EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS |

**Instructions**: Bidders must use the **Exceptions and Clarifications** form to identify and list below any and all exceptions and/or clarifications to the RFP and associated Bid Documents and submit them with the bid proposal.

**THE COUNTY IS UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO ACCEPT ANY EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS; ANY SUCH EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS MAY BE A BASIS FOR BID PROPOSAL DISQUALIFICATION.**

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| INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS |

**Instructions**: Insurance certificates are not required at the time of submission; however, by signing the Bid Response Packet and submitting a bid proposal, the Bidder agrees to meet the minimum insurance requirements and provide any documentation requested by County upon request.

Insurance documentation must be provided to the County before award and include an insurance certificate and additional insured certificate, naming the County of Alameda, which meets the minimum insurance requirements, as stated in the RFP.

The following page contains the minimum insurance limits required by the County of Alameda to be held by the Contractor performing on a contract issued from this RFP:



**EXHIBIT B**

**ADDITIONAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS – FEDERAL PROVISION**

Funds used for payment of this Contract may be from or subject to reimbursement by state and/or federal funds. Some of these funding sources require additional contractual obligations and County and Contractor hereby agree to the following additional terms and conditions. The parties agree to each of these terms for reasons including, but not limited to, meeting all contracting requirements as set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.326 and 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II. These terms supplement the General Terms and Conditions.

I. **General Provisions**

1. **Remedies.** In the event of a breach by Contractor of any term or provision of this Agreement, the County shall have the right to pursue all available remedies at law or equity, including recovery of damages and specific performance of this Agreement.  The parties hereto agree that monetary damages would not provide adequate compensation for any losses incurred by reason of a breach by Contractor of any of the provisions of this Agreement and hereby further agrees that, in the event of any action for specific performance in respect of such breach, Contractor shall waive the defense that a remedy at law would be adequate. Except as expressly provided elsewhere in this Agreement, each party's rights and remedies under this Agreement are cumulative and in addition to, not exclusive of or in substitution for, any rights or remedies otherwise available to that party.
2. **Termination.** The County may suspend, terminate, or abandon the execution of any work by the Contractor under this Contract with or without cause at any time upon giving the Contractor prior written notice. In the event that the County should abandon, terminate, or suspend the Contractor’s work, the Contractor shall be entitled to payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination, or abandonment, but in no event shall Contractor be entitled to more than the not to exceed amount of the Contract, or if applicable, the portion of the Contract being terminated.
3. **Equal Employment Opportunity**. During the performance of this contract, Contractor agrees as follows:
4. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
5. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
6. The Contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee’s essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor’s legal duty to furnish information.
7. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the labor union or workers’ representatives of the contractor’s commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965 and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
8. The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
9. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to their books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
10. In the event of the Contractor’s noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this Contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
11. The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph 1 and the provisions of paragraphs 1 through 8 in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the County may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

Contractor further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, that if the Contractor so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The Contractor agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency’s primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The Contractor further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the Contractor agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such Contractor and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

These provisions are included in addition to the Equal Employment Opportunity Practices Provisions in the General Terms and Conditions and Contractor shall abide by both provisions.

1. **Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement.** If this Contract is funded in whole or part by a Federal award of funds and the Contract and/or funding meets the definition of ‘‘funding agreement’’ under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the Contractor (the “recipient or subrecipient”) wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that ‘‘funding agreement,’’ the recipient or subrecipient shall comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, ‘‘Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,’’ and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency. This requirement applies to “funding agreements,” but it does not apply to the Public Assistance, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Fire Management Assistance Grant Program, Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Grant Program, Disaster Case Management Grant Program, and Federal Assistance to Individuals and Households – Other Needs Assistance Grant Program, as FEMA awards under these programs do not meet the definition of “funding agreement.”
2. **Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act**. The following provisions apply for all contracts in excess of $150,000:
   1. **Clean Air Act** (42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q).
      1. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
      2. The Contractor agrees to report each violation of the Clean Air Act to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
      3. The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.
   2. **Federal Water Pollution Control Act** (33 U.S.C. 1251–1387).

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

The Contractor agrees to report each violation of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

The Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

1. **Debarment and Suspension.** In addition to the debarment and suspension requirements in the General Terms and Conditions and executed Debarment certificate, the following terms shall apply:
2. This Contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the Contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor’s principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
3. The Contractor shall comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and shall include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters.
4. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the County. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available the County, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
5. The Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C throughout the period of the Contract. The Contractor further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered contracts.
6. **Conflict of Interest.** By executing this Contract, Contractor certifies that it does not know of any fact which constitutes a violation of Section 66 of County’s Charter; Title 9, Chapter 7 of the California Government Code (Section 87100 et seq.), or Title 1, Division 4, Chapter 1, Article 4 of the California Government Code (Section 1090 et seq.), and further agrees promptly to notify the County if it becomes aware of any such fact during the term of this Contract. In addition, Contractor shall be in full compliance with all other conflict of interest requirements, including those contained in 2 C.F.R. § 200.318.
7. **Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment.** For any contract of $100,000 or more, Contractor shall complete the required certification (included below) Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the County.
8. **Procurement of recovered materials**.
9. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
   1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the Contract performance schedule;
   2. Meeting Contract performance requirements; or
   3. At a reasonable price.
10. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at EPA’s Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive- procurement-guideline-cpg-program.
11. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.
12. **Access to Records.**
13. The Contractor agrees to provide the County, the Federal Awarding Agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
14. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
15. The Contractor agrees to provide the Federal Awarding Agency or its authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
16. In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the County and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this Contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the Federal Awarding Agency or the Comptroller General of the United States.
17. **Changes.**  The cost of any change, modification, change order, or constructive change shall be allowable, allocable, within the scope of a funding grant or cooperative agreement, and reasonable for the completion of project scope. Changes can be made by either party to alter the method, price, or schedule of the work without breaching the Contract by entering a written amendment executed by authorized representatives. The Contract may not be modified except by a written document signed by both parties. It is mutually understood and agreed that no alterations or variations of the terms of this Contract shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto, and that no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein, shall be binding on any of the parties hereto.
18. **Seal, Logo, And Flags.** The Contractor shall not use the Department of Homeland Security, or any other Federal, state or local seals, logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of agency officials without specific Federal Awarding Agency pre-approval.
19. **Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders.** This is an acknowledgement that Federal financial assistance may be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The Contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, Federal Awarding Agency policies, procedures, and directives.
20. **No Obligation of Federal Government.** The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the Contract.
21. **Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts**. The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor’s actions pertaining to this Contract.
22. **Local Preferences:** To the extent that any local preferences are prohibited by funding, SLEB and other local preferences and policies have already been or are waived.
23. **Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act** (40 U.S.C. 3701–3708). For all contracts in excess of $100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers, the following provisions, from 29 C.F.R §5.5(b) shall apply:
24. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
25. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of $26 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.
26. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The County shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.
27. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.
28. **Domestic Preferences for Procurements**. As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the contractor and their subcontractor(s), to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section shall be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. For purposes of this section:
29. “Produced in the United States” means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
30. “Manufactured products” means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.
31. **Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment and Services**.
32. Definitions. As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), as used in this clause—
33. Prohibitions.
    1. Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.
    2. Unless an exception in paragraph (3) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:
       1. Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
       2. Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
       3. Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or
       4. Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.
34. Exceptions.
    1. This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—
35. A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
    1. By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:
36. Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:
    * + - 1. Are *not used* as a substantial or essential component of any system; and
          2. Are *not used* as critical technology of any system.
37. Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.
38. Reporting requirement.
    1. In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (4)(b) of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.
    2. The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (4)(a) of this clause:
39. Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
40. Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (4)(b)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.
41. Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (5), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.
42. **License and Delivery of Works Subject to Copyright and Data Rights**. In order to comply with 2 C.F.R. § 200.315, Contractor grants to the County, a paid-up, royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license in data first produced in the performance of this contract to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, including prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly such data. For data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract, the Contractor will identify such data and grant to the County or acquires on its behalf a license of the same scope as for data first produced in the performance of this contract. Data, as used herein, shall include any work subject to copyright under 17 U.S.C. § 102, for example, any written reports or literary works, software and/or source code, music, choreography, pictures or images, graphics, sculptures, videos, motion pictures or other audiovisual works, sound and/or video recordings, and architectural works. Upon or before the completion of this contract, the Contractor will deliver to the County data first produced in the performance of this contract and data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract in formats acceptable by the County.
43. **Affirmative Socioeconomic Steps for Subcontracts.** As a condition for the approval of any subcontract, the prime contractor is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) to ensure that small and minority businesses, women’s business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

II**. Construction and Repair Work**. The following provisions apply to construction or repair work:

**Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act and Copeland ‘‘Anti-Kickback’’ Act.** For all prime construction contracts in excess of $2,000 the following terms shall apply:

* 1. Davis-Bacon Act

1. All transactions regarding this Contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The Contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.
2. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
3. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.
   1. Copeland ‘‘Anti-Kickback’’ Act
4. Contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.
5. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as the Federal Awarding Agency may by appropriate instructions require, and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
6. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

**EXHIBIT B-1**

**Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements**

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING (APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18)**

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with its instructions.

3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.

Contractor, , certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor’s Authorized Official Date

Name Title