



SOLICITATION NO.: 92/2020
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TITLE: Sanctioned Homeless Encampment Services – COVID-19 Pandemic

ISSUE DATE: April 10, 2020

RETURN PROPOSAL NO LATER THAN: April 17, 2020 AT 5:00 PM CENTRAL TIME (END DATE)

OFFERORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO RESPOND ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH THE CITY’S E-BIDDING WEBSITE BUT MAY RESPOND BY HARD COPY (See Mailing Instructions Below)

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Print or type **Solicitation Number** and **End Date** on the lower left hand corner of the envelope or package. Delivered sealed proposals must be in the Purchasing Division office (701 E. Broadway, 5th Floor) by the return proposal date and time.

(U.S. Mail)	(Courier Service)
RETURN PROPOSAL TO: CITY OF COLUMBIA PURCHASING	or CITY OF COLUMBIA PURCHASING
PO BOX 6015	701 E. BROADWAY, 5th FLOOR
COLUMBIA MO 65205	COLUMBIA MO 65201

CONTRACT PERIOD: Effective Date of Contract through End of Pandemic

DELIVER SUPPLIES/SERVICES FOB (Free On Board) DESTINATION TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

**City of Columbia
Public Health and Human Services Department
1005 W. Worley St.
Columbia, MO 65203**

The offeror hereby declares understanding, agreement and certification of compliance to provide the items and/or services, at the prices quoted, in accordance with all requirements and specifications contained herein. The offeror further agrees that the language of this RFP shall govern in the event of a conflict with their proposal. The offeror further agrees that upon receipt of an authorized purchase order from the Purchasing Division or when a Contract is signed and issued by an authorized official of the City of Columbia, a binding contract shall exist between the offeror and the City of Columbia.

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

OFFEROR NAME
MAILING ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

CONTACT PERSON	EMAIL ADDRESS
PHONE NUMBER	FAX NUMBER
OFFEROR TAX FILING TYPE WITH IRS (CHECK ONE) <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> State/Local Government <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> IRS Tax-Exempt	
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	DATE
PRINTED NAME	TITLE

1. INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

INTRODUCTION:

This document constitutes a request for competitive, sealed proposals for the sanctioned homeless encampment needs for the City of Columbia (hereinafter referred to as City) as set forth herein.

The Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS), has identified the need for an outside entity to provide sanctioned homeless encampment services as described herein.

Organization - This document, referred to as an RFP, is divided into the following parts:

Introduction and General Information
 Technical Specifications/Scope of Work
 Proposal Submission Information
 Exhibits A – G
 Attachment 1 – Sample Contract

Terminology/Definitions: Whenever the following words and expressions appear in a Request for Proposal (RFP) document or any addendum thereto, the definition or meaning described below shall apply.

- Addendum/Amendment means a written, official modification to an RFP.
- Attachment applies to all forms which are included with an RFP to incorporate any informational data or requirements related to the performance requirements and/or specifications.
- Proposal end date and time and similar expressions mean the exact deadline required by the RFP for the receipt of sealed proposals.
- Offeror means the supplier, vendor, person, or organization that responds to an RFP by submitting a proposal with prices to provide the equipment, supplies, and/or services as required in the RFP document.
- Buyer means the procurement staff member of the Purchasing Division. The contact person as referenced herein is usually the buyer.
- Contract means a legal and binding agreement between two or more competent parties, for a consideration for the procurement of equipment, supplies, and/or services.
- Contractor means a supplier, offeror, person, or organization who is a successful offeror as a result of an RFP and who enters into a contract.
- Exhibit applies to forms which are included with an RFP for the offeror to complete and submit with the sealed proposal prior to the specified end date and time.
- Request for Proposal (RFP) means the solicitation document issued by the Purchasing Division to potential offerors for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and/or services as described in the document. The definition includes all pricing pages, exhibits, attachments, and addendums thereto.
- May means that a certain feature, component, or action is permissible, but not required.
- Must means that a certain feature, component, or action is a mandatory condition.
- Pricing Page(s) applies to the form(s) on which the offeror must state the price(s) applicable for the equipment, supplies, and/or services required in the RFP. The Pricing Pages must be completed and submitted by the offeror with the sealed proposal prior to the specified proposal end date and time.
- Shall have the same meaning as the word must.
- Should means that a certain feature, component and/or action are desirable but not mandatory.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION:

Proposals may be submitted in a sealed envelope at the purchasing office **or** uploaded electronically on the City's E-bidding website. No fax or e-mail proposals will be accepted. Sealed proposals must be delivered via mail to

the Finance Department, Purchasing Division, 701 E. Broadway, 5th Floor, Columbia, MO 65201 by the closing date and time. Proposals received after the appointed time will be determined non-responsive and will not be opened. The proposal must be in sealed envelope and marked in bold letters “RFP 92/2020 – Sanctioned Homeless Encampment.”

QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL:

All questions concerning the solicitation and specifications shall be submitted in writing via e-mail to the name below. You are encouraged to submit your questions via e-mail.

Cale Turner, Purchasing Agent
Phone: 573-874-7375
E-mail: cale.turner@como.gov

Any oral responses to any question shall be unofficial and not binding on the City of Columbia. An Addendum to this RFP providing the City of Columbia’s official response will be issued if necessary to all known prospective offerors.

VALIDITY OF PROPOSALS:

Offerors agree that proposals will remain firm for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the date specified for the return of proposals.

REJECTION OF PROPOSALS:

The City of Columbia reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received in response to this RFP, or to cancel the RFP if it is in the best interest of the City of Columbia to do so. Failure to furnish all information requested in this RFP may disqualify the proposal. Any exceptions to the requirements specified must be identified in the proposal.

WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS:

Any offeror may withdraw its proposal at any time prior to the scheduled closing time for the receipt of proposals. However, no proposal will be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of proposals.

ALTERATION OF SOLICITATION:

The wording of the City of Columbia’s solicitation may not be changed or altered in any manner. Offerors taking exception to any clause in whole or in part should do so by listing said exceptions on their letterhead and submitting them with their proposal; such exceptions will be evaluated and accepted or rejected by the City of Columbia, whose decision will be final.

RESPONSE MATERIAL OWNERSHIP:

All material submitted regarding this RFP becomes the property of The City of Columbia. Any person may review proposals after the Agreement has been issued, subject to the terms of this solicitation.

INCURRING COSTS:

The City of Columbia shall not be obligated or be liable for any cost incurred by offerors prior to issuance of an Agreement. All costs to prepare and submit a response to this solicitation shall be borne by the offeror.

COLLUSION CLAUSE:

Any agreement or collusion among offerors and prospective offerors to illegally restrain freedom of competition by agreement to fix prices, or otherwise, will render the proposals of such offerors void.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:

The final agreement between the City of Columbia and the offeror will include by reference:

- Offeror’s Response to the RFP
- The City Issued RFP with any addendums

Any changes, additions or modifications hereto will be in writing and signed by the Purchasing Agent. No other individual is authorized to modify the agreement in any manner.

FUNDS:

Financial obligations of the City of Columbia payable after the current fiscal year are contingent upon funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available. In the event funds are not appropriated, any resulting Contract will become null and void, without penalty to the City of Columbia.

STATE AND/OR FEDERAL FUNDING AND RELATED REQUIREMENTS:

The City of Columbia may use state or federal funding to pay for this contract or, if City funds are used for the contract, the City of Columbia may seek reimbursement from the State of Missouri or from the federal government. Therefore, the procurement process and the contract requires compliance with state and federal funding requirements.

Offerors shall complete Exhibit G, Certifications. In addition, offerors shall familiarize themselves with and comply with all conditions and requirements for utilization of such grant funds, including, but not limited to those set forth in this RFP and the sample contract (collectively “Grant Requirements”). Contractor shall include in contracts with its subcontractors provisions that require subcontractors to comply with the Grant Requirements.

The City of Columbia, Missouri, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the provisions of 29 CFR part 201, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), with the same force and effect as if given in full text. The FLSA sets minimum wage, overtime pay, recordkeeping, and child labor standards for full and part-time workers.

The contractor has full responsibility to monitor compliance to the referenced statute or regulation.

The contractor must address any claims or disputes that arise from this requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor – Wage and Hour Division.

All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the requirements of 29 CFR Part 1910 with the same force and effect as if given in full text. The employer must provide a work environment that is free from recognized hazards that may cause death or serious physical harm to the employee. The employer retains full responsibility to monitor its compliance and their subcontractor’s compliance with the applicable requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (20 CFR Part 1910). The employer must address any claims or disputes that pertain to a referenced requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor – Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

GENERAL CIVIL RIGHTS PROVISIONS:

The contractor agrees to comply with pertinent statutes, Executive Orders and such rules as are promulgated to ensure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participating in any activity conducted with or benefiting from Federal assistance.

This provision binds the selected contractor and subcontractors from the bid solicitation period through the completion of the contract. This provision is in addition to that required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Compliance with Nondiscrimination Requirements:

During the performance of this contract, the selected contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”), agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** The selected contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
2. **Nondiscrimination:** The selected contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The selected contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR part 21.
3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the selected contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the selected contractor of the contractor’s obligations under this contract and the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
4. **Information and Reports:** The selected contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the City of Columbia or the federal agency to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the selected contractor will so certify to the City of Columbia or the federal agency as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a contractor’s noncompliance with the non-discrimination provisions of the contract, the City of Columbia will impose such contract sanctions as it or the federal agency may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Withholding payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies; and/or
 - b. Cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto. The Contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the City of Columbia or the federal agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the City of Columbia to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the City of Columbia. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities:

During the performance of the contract, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”) agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- 49 CFR part 21 (Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 USC § 4601) (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC § 794 *et seq.*), as amended (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 USC § 6101 *et seq.*) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (PL 100-209) (broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms “programs or activities” to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 USC §§ 12131 – 12189) as implemented by U.S. Department of Transportation regulations at 49 CFR parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration’s Nondiscrimination statute (49 USC § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures nondiscrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 USC 1681 *et seq.*).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS/SAMPLE CONTRACT:

The sample contract is attached as Attachment 1. Please review the terms and conditions set forth in the sample contract. Should the offeror take exception to any of the required legal terms and conditions set forth in Attachment 1, the offeror shall specifically include the exceptions in its proposal on vendor letterhead.

2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS), has identified the need for an outside entity to provide sanctioned homeless encampment services as described herein.

Services stated herein shall be provided through noon on May 1, 2020, unless written notice is given of an extension from the City. The City reserves the right to close the encampment at any time by giving notice to the contractor.

The City of Columbia shall provide the following items/services to aid the contractor in performance of services:

- Encampment site
- Demarcation for up to seventy (70) individual 16' x 16' campsites
- Potable water source
- Refuse receptacles and disposal
- Portable toilets
- Handwashing stations
- Prerecorded staff and volunteer training

The contractor shall provide operation of the encampment for 24 hours per day, seven days per week, for the period indicated. This shall include, but is not limited to the following:

- Provide a minimum of five trained staff members or volunteers on-site at all times and distributed in a manner that provides supervision of all areas of the encampment.
- Maintain a log of all persons entering and leaving the encampment, including name and time.
- Maintain the ability for all staff and volunteers to call for outside resources (e.g. 911) at all times.
- Maintain a daily log of all activity including calls for outside services, 911 calls, etc.
- Monitor the health and well-being of staff, volunteers, and participants, per guidance provided by PHHS.
- Provide three nutritious meals per individual program consumer, per day, prepared in a kitchen that is permitted and inspected by PHHS.
- Ensure handwashing, including the provision of soap and paper towels.
- Ensure access to personal hygiene items including, but not limited to, toothbrushes and toothpaste, tissues, and feminine hygiene products.
- Ensure that each individual program consumer or family unit has a manufactured tent and sleeping bag in good condition. Program consumers who present without a tent or sleeping bag must be provided with these items in new or like new condition.

The contractor must agree to the following requirements at a minimum:

1) Staffing:

All employees and volunteers must have the appropriate credentials/certifications, skills, abilities, and knowledge to perform the contracted service.

All staff and volunteers must complete the City of Columbia encampment training or submit an equivalent training plan for staff and volunteers shall include the following at a minimum:

- Personal safety
- Crisis intervention and de-escalation
- Basic COVID-19 related health and safety (e.g. physical distancing, hand washing, signs and symptoms, food handling)
- Crowd management training
- Evacuation

2) Health and Safety:

- The contractor must maintain compliance with PHHS COVID-19 guidance, including hand washing and physical distancing.
- Each individual 16' x 16' campsite must be occupied by a single individual or family unit.
- All gathering and common areas, including feeding sites, must be regularly disinfected.
- All prepared food provided must be prepared in a kitchen that is permitted and inspected by PHHS and provided in a designated food drop off area compliant with City of Columbia food regulations.
- Smoking may be allowed in designated areas of the camp. Smoking shall be prohibited in common areas such as restrooms, eating areas.
- Pet owners must follow all applicable City of Columbia animal codes.

3. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INFORMATION

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS:

On-line Proposal - If a registered offeror is responding electronically through the City of Columbia Bidding System website, in addition to completing the pricing, the registered offeror should submit completed exhibits, forms, and other information concerning the proposal as an attachment to the electronic proposal. The registered offeror is instructed to review the RFP submission provisions carefully to ensure they are providing all required pricing, including applicable renewal pricing.

The exhibits, forms, and Pricing Page(s) provided herein can be saved into a word processing document, completed by a registered offeror, and then sent as an attachment to the electronic submission. Other information requested or required may be sent as an attachment. Be sure to include the solicitation/bid number, company name, and a contact name on any electronic attachments.

In addition, a registered offeror may submit the exhibits, forms, Pricing Page(s), etc., through mail or courier service. However, any such submission must be received prior to the specified end date and time.

If a registered offeror submits an electronic and hard copy proposal response and if such responses are not identical, the offeror should explain which response is valid. In the absence of an explanation, the City of Columbia shall consider the response which serves its best interest.

Hard Copy Proposal - If the offeror is submitting a proposal via the mail or a courier service or is hand delivering the proposal, the offeror should include completed exhibits, forms, and other information concerning the proposal (including completed Pricing Page(s) with the proposal. The offeror is instructed to review the RFP submission provisions carefully to ensure they are providing all required pricing, including applicable renewal pricing.

Recycled Products - The City of Columbia recognizes the limited nature of our resources and the leadership role of government agencies in regard to the environment. Accordingly, the offeror is requested to print the proposal double-sided using recycled paper, if possible, and minimize or eliminate the use of non-recyclable materials such as plastic report covers, plastic dividers, vinyl sleeves, and binding. Lengthy proposals may be submitted in a notebook or binder.

The offeror should include three (3) additional copies along with their original proposal. The front cover of the original proposal should be labeled “original” and the front cover of all copies should be labeled “copy”. In case of a discrepancy between the original proposal and the copies, the original proposal shall govern.

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, access to City Hall has been restricted. Bid responses and proposals may be submitted online through the City of Columbia’s bidding website, mailed in via USPS, or delivered via courier service. If necessary, responses may be dropped off at City Hall by scheduling a time with Cale Turner, Purchasing Agent, (573) 874-7375.

Open Records - Pursuant to section 610.021, RSMo, the offeror’s proposal shall be considered an open record after a contract is executed or all proposals are rejected. At that time, all proposals are scanned into the Purchasing Division imaging system.

The scanned information will be available upon request from the Purchasing Division. Therefore, the offeror is advised not to include any information in the proposal that the offeror does not want to be viewed by the public, including personal identifying information such as social security numbers.

In preparing a proposal, the offeror should be mindful of document preparation efforts for scanning purposes and storage capacity that will be required to image the proposals and should limit proposal content to items that provide substance, quality of content, and clarity of information.

To facilitate the evaluation process, the offeror is encouraged to organize their proposal into sections that correspond with the individual evaluation categories described herein. The offeror is cautioned that it is the offeror's sole responsibility to submit information related to the evaluation categories and that the City of Columbia is under no obligation to solicit such information if it is not included with the proposal. The offeror's failure to submit such information may cause an adverse impact on the evaluation of the proposal.

The proposal should be page numbered.

The signed page one from the original RFP and all signed addendums should be placed at the beginning of the proposal.

Each section should be titled with each individual evaluation category and all material related to that category should be included therein.

Questions Regarding the RFP – Except as may be otherwise stated herein, the offeror and the offeror's agents (including subcontractors, employees, consultants, or anyone else acting on their behalf) must direct all of their questions or comments regarding the RFP, the solicitation process, the evaluation, etc., to the buyer of record indicated on the first page of this RFP. Inappropriate contacts to other personnel are grounds for suspension and/or exclusion from specific procurements. Offerors and their agents who have questions regarding this matter should contact the buyer.

The buyer may be contacted via e-mail as shown on the first page.

Only those questions which necessitate a change to the RFP will be addressed via an addendum to the RFP.

Joint Venture or Co-Counsel Response – If the proposal is being submitted in conjunction with another entity or law firm (similar to a joint response, joint venture, or co-counsel), there can be only one (1) response submitted in response to the Request for Proposal by the entities/firms involved. Therefore, only one (1) entity/firm must be designated as lead and must be designated as the official offeror for purposes of submitting the proposal. Such lead offeror and contractor, if awarded the contract, must be the only party officially signing and submitting the proposal as well as serving as the official signatory for the joint venture or co-counsel.

COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATION OF PROPOSALS:

The offeror is advised that under the provisions of this Request for Proposal, the Purchasing Division reserves the right to conduct negotiations of the proposals received or to award a contract without negotiations. If such negotiations are conducted, the following conditions shall apply:

Negotiations may be conducted in person, in writing, or by telephone.

Negotiations will only be conducted with potentially acceptable proposals. The Purchasing Division reserves the right to limit negotiations to those proposals which received the highest rankings during the initial evaluation phase. All offerors involved in the negotiation process will be invited to submit a best and final offer if necessary.

Terms, conditions, prices, methodology, or other features of the offeror's proposal may be subject to negotiation and subsequent revision. As part of the negotiations, the offeror may be required to submit supporting financial, pricing and other data in order to allow a detailed evaluation of the feasibility, reasonableness, and acceptability of the proposal.

The mandatory requirements of the Request for Proposal shall not be negotiable and shall remain unchanged unless the Purchasing Division determines that a change in such requirements is in the best interest of the City of Columbia.

EVALUTION AND AWARD PROCESS:

After determining that a proposal satisfies the mandatory requirements stated in the Request for Proposal, the evaluator(s) shall use both objective analysis and subjective judgment in conducting a comparative assessment of the proposal in accordance with the evaluation criteria stated below. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest and best proposal.

Evaluation Criteria Scoring Category	Maximum Points
Method of Performance – Ability to meet Scope of Services	80 points
Offeror’s Experience, References	20 points
TOTAL	100 points

After an initial screening process, a question and answer conference or interview may be conducted with the offeror, if deemed necessary by the evaluation committee. In addition, the offeror may be asked to make an oral presentation of their proposal during the conference. Attendance cost at the conference shall be at the offeror's expense. All arrangements and scheduling shall be coordinated by the Purchasing Division.

EVALUATION OF OFFEROR’S EXPERIENCE, RELIABILITY, EXPERTISE, AND METHOD OF PERFORMANCE:

Experience and reliability of the offeror and expertise of the offeror’s personnel will be considered subjectively in the evaluation process. Therefore, the offeror is advised to submit information concerning the offeror’s organization, information documenting the offeror’s experience in past performances related to the requirements of this RFP, and information documenting the qualifications of the personnel proposed by the offeror to perform the requirements of this RFP. If the offeror is proposing an entity other than the offeror to perform the required services, the offeror should also submit the information requested for such proposed subcontractor.

Offeror Information - The offeror should provide information about the offeror’s organization on Exhibit A.

Experience - The offeror should provide information related to previous and current services/contracts of the offeror or any proposed subcontractor where performance was similar to the required services of this RFP. The information may be shown on Exhibit B or in a similar manner. As part of the evaluation process, the City of Columbia may contact the offeror’s references, including references not listed or identified within the offeror’s proposal but who have current or previous experiences with the offeror.

The offeror shall agree and understand that the City of Columbia is not obligated to contact the offeror’s references.

Personnel Expertise - The offeror should provide the information requested on Exhibit C for each key person proposed to provide the services required herein. The offeror may also submit resumes for such key personnel.

The information should identify any relevant qualifications and experience of the person in performing services similar to the services required herein.

Personnel Qualifications - If personnel are not yet hired, the offeror should provide detailed descriptions of the required employment qualifications; and detailed job descriptions of the position to be filled, including the type of person proposed to be hired.

Licenses - The offeror should submit a copy of all licenses and/or certifications, related to the performance of the services required herein that are held by the personnel proposed to provide such services. If not submitted with the proposal, the City of Columbia reserves the right to request and obtain a copy of any license or certification required to perform the defined services prior to contract award.

Proposals will be subjectively evaluated based on the offeror's plan for performing the requirements of the RFP. Exhibit D is provided for the offeror's use in providing information about the proposed method of performance.

Miscellaneous Submittal Information:

Affidavit of Work Authorization and Documentation - Pursuant to section 285.530, RSMo, if the offeror meets the section 285.525, RSMo, definition of a "business entity" (<http://www.moga.mo.gov/statutes/C200-299/2850000525.HTM>), the offeror must affirm the offeror's enrollment and participation in the E-Verify federal work authorization program with respect to the employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the services requested herein. The offeror should complete Exhibit E, Business Entity Certification, Enrollment Documentation, and Affidavit of Work Authorization. Exhibit E must be submitted prior to an award of a contract.

The offeror should complete and submit Exhibit F, Miscellaneous Information.

Business Compliance - The offeror must be in compliance with the laws regarding conducting business in the City of Columbia. The offeror certifies by signing the signature page of this original document and any addendum signature page(s) that the offeror and any proposed subcontractors either are presently in compliance with such laws or shall be in compliance with such laws prior to any resulting contract award. The offeror shall provide documentation of compliance upon request by the Purchasing Division. The compliance to conduct business in the state shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- Registration of business name (if applicable) with the Secretary of State at <http://sos.mo.gov/business/startBusiness.asp>
- Certificate of authority to transact business/certificate of good standing (if applicable)
- Taxes (e.g., city/county/state/federal)
- State and local certifications (e.g., professions/occupations/activities)
- Licenses and permits (e.g., city/county license, sales permits)
- Insurance (e.g., worker's compensation/unemployment compensation)

The City of Columbia reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to negotiate with any offeror considered qualified, or to make an award without further discussion.

EXHIBIT A

OFFEROR INFORMATION

The offeror should provide the following information about the offeror’s organization:

Provide a brief company history including, but not limited to, the following:

- Total number of years in business.
- Total number of years performing required services.
- Total number of years of experience with governmental entities.

Describe the structure of the organization including any board of directors, partners, top departmental management, corporate organization, corporate trade affiliations, any parent/subsidiary affiliations with other firms, etc.

Indicate whether the offeror or the offeror’s principals have other interests or relationships that might conflict with or compromise the requirements herein.

Provide a list summarizing any pending or final legal proceedings involving you or your company that took place in any court of law, administrative tribunal or alternative dispute resolution process that was filed, settled or gone to final judgment within the last three (3) years. The summary need not disclose confidential information of a disputed allegation of fact or law, but must contain the allegations made and/or contested or findings of the court of law, tribunal or dispute resolution process. Failure to provide a full and accurate summary of legal proceedings may result in rejection of the proposal or termination of any subsequent contract.

Document the offeror’s financial solvency in a manner that is acceptable for public review. Audited financial statements for the last year will provide such documentation; however, the statements will become public information. If the offeror is a subsidiary, also provide the documentation for the parent company.

EXHIBIT B

CURRENT/PRIOR EXPERIENCE

The offeror should copy and complete this form documenting the offeror and any subcontractor’s current/prior experience considered relevant to the services required herein. In addition, the offeror is advised that if the contact person listed for verification of services is unable to be reached during the evaluation, the listed experience may not be considered.

Offeror Name or Subcontractor Name: _____ (if reference is for a Subcontractor):	
Reference Information (Current/Prior Services Performed For:)	
Name of Reference Company/Client:	
Address of Reference Company/Client:	
Reference Contact Person Name, Phone #, and E-mail Address:	
Title/Name of Service/Contract	
Dates of Project Initiation and Project Completion:	
If service/contract has terminated, specify reason:	
Description of Services Performed, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What the offeror did ✓ How the offeror did it ✓ Results ✓ Additional Detail 	
Personnel Assigned to Service/Contract (include all key personnel and identify role):	

EXHIBIT C

EXPERTISE OF KEY PERSONNEL

(Copy and complete this table for each key person proposed)

Title of Position: _____	
Name of Person:	
Educational Degree (s): include college or university, major, and dates	
License(s)/Certification(s), #(s), expiration date(s), if applicable:	
Specialized Training Completed.	
# of years' experience in area of service proposed to provide:	
Describe person's relationship to offeror. If employee, # of years. If subcontractor, describe other/past working relationships	
Describe this person's responsibilities over the past 12 months.	
Previous employer(s), positions, and Dates	

Staffing Methodology

Describe the person's planned duties/role proposed herein:	
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EXHIBIT D

METHOD OF PERFORMANCE

The offeror should use this Exhibit, or any format desired, to present a written plan for performing the requirements (Scope of Services) specified in this Request for Proposal.

Please submit a detailed program budget, including revenues and expenses.

Please describe your experience with homeless services provision, including, but not limited to, shelter services, behavioral health services, case management, and the provision of congregate meals.

Please describe your plans to recruit and retain qualified staff and volunteers.

Please describe your planned staffing schedule.

Please describe your plan to monitor the health and well-being of staff, volunteers, and programs consumers, including COVID-19 symptoms.

Please describe your plan to refer program consumers to healthcare, human services, and housing resources.

EXHIBIT E**NOTICE TO OFFERORS****Sections 285.525 To 285.550 RSMo.**

Pursuant to section 285.530 (1) RSMo., No business entity or employer shall knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the State of Missouri.

As a condition for the award of any contract or grant in excess of five thousand dollars by the state or by any political subdivision of the state to a business entity, or for any business entity receiving a state-administered or subsidized tax credit, tax abatement, or loan from the state, the business entity shall, by sworn affidavit and provision of documentation, affirm its enrollment and participation in a federal work authorization program with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services. Every such business entity shall sign an affidavit affirming that it does not knowingly employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services. {RSMo 285.530 (2)}

An Employer may enroll and participate in a federal work authorization program and shall verify the employment eligibility of every employee in the employer's hire whose employment commences after the employer enrolls in a federal work authorization program. **The E-verify system issues a Memorandum of Understanding once enrollment is complete; the City of Columbia requires a copy of this document be attached to the Work Authorization Affidavit.** The employer shall retain a copy of the dated verification report received from the federal government. Any business entity that participates in such program shall have an affirmative defense that such business entity has not violated subsection 1 of this section. {RSMo 285.530 (4)}

For offerors that are not already enrolled and participating in a federal work authorization program, E-Verify is an example of this type of program. Information regarding E-Verify is available at:

<http://www.dhs.gov/e-verify>

EXHIBIT F

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Employee/Conflict of Interest:

Offerors who are elected or appointed officials or employees of the City of Columbia or any political subdivision thereof, serving in an executive or administrative capacity, must comply with sections 105.450 to 105.458, RSMo, regarding conflict of interest. If the offeror or any owner of the offeror’s organization is currently an elected or appointed official or an employee of the City of Columbia or any political subdivision thereof, please provide the following information:	
Name and title of elected or appointed official or employee of the City of Columbia or any political subdivision thereof:	
If employee of the City of Columbia or political subdivision thereof, provide name of City or political subdivision where employed:	
Percentage of ownership interest in offeror’s organization held by elected or appointed official or employee of the City of Columbia or political subdivision thereof:	_____ %

Registration of Business Name (if applicable) with the Missouri Secretary of State

The offeror should indicate the offeror’s charter number and company name with the Missouri Secretary of State. Additionally, the offeror should provide proof of the offeror’s good standing status with the Missouri Secretary of State. If the offeror is exempt from registering with the Missouri Secretary of State pursuant to section 351.572, RSMo., identify the specific section of 351.572 RSMo., which supports the exemption.

<i>Charter Number (if applicable)</i>	<i>Company Name</i>
If exempt from registering with the Missouri Secretary of State pursuant to section 351.572 RSMo., identify the section of 351.572 to support the exemption:	

EXHIBIT G**CERTIFICATIONS OF OFFEROR/BIDDER****CERTIFICATION OF OFFERER/BIDDER REGARDING DEBARMENT**

By submitting a bid/proposal under this solicitation, the bidder or offeror certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred or suspended by any Federal department or agency from participation in this transaction.

CERTIFICATION OF LOWER TIER CONTRACTORS REGARDING DEBARMENT

The successful bidder, by administering each lower tier subcontract that exceeds \$25,000 as a “covered transaction”, must verify each lower tier participant of a “covered transaction” under the project is not presently debarred or otherwise disqualified from participation in this federally assisted project. The successful bidder will accomplish this by:

1. Checking the System for Award Management at website: <http://www.sam.gov>.
2. Collecting a certification statement similar to the Certification of Offerer /Bidder Regarding Debarment, above.
3. Inserting a clause or condition in the covered transaction with the lower tier contract.

If a Federal Agency later determines that a lower tier participant failed to disclose to a higher tier participant that it was excluded or disqualified at the time it entered the covered transaction, the Federal Agency may pursue any available remedies, including suspension and debarment of the non-compliant participant.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The Bidder or Offeror certifies by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, 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 Bidder or Offeror, 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 sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

EXHIBIT G, Continued

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.

Date: _____

Signature of Authorized Representative of Offeror/Bidder

CERTIFICATION OF OFFERER/BIDDER REGARDING TAX DELINQUENCY AND FELONY CONVICTIONS

The applicant must complete the following two certification statements. The applicant must indicate its current status as it relates to tax delinquency and felony conviction by inserting a checkmark (✓) in the space following the applicable response. The applicant agrees that, if awarded a contract resulting from this solicitation, it will incorporate this provision for certification in all lower tier subcontracts.

Certifications

- 1) The applicant represents that it is () is not () a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.
- 2) The applicant represents that it is () is not () is not a corporation that was convicted of a criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

Note

If an applicant responds in the affirmative to either of the above representations, the applicant is ineligible to receive an award unless the sponsor has received notification from the agency suspension and debarment official (SDO) that the SDO has considered suspension or debarment and determined that further action is not required to protect the Government’s interests. The applicant therefore must provide information to the City of Columbia about its tax liability or conviction to the City of Columbia, who will then notify the Federal Agency, which will then notify the agency’s SDO to facilitate completion of the required considerations before award decisions are made.

Term Definitions

Felony conviction: Felony conviction means a conviction within the preceding twenty four (24) months of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law and includes conviction of an offense defined in a section of the U.S. code that specifically classifies the offense as a felony and conviction of an offense that is classified as a felony under 18 U.S.C. § 3559.

Tax Delinquency: A tax delinquency is any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

Date: _____

Signature of Authorized Representative of Offeror/Bidder

EXHIBIT G, Continued

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352(as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). 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.

The 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. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor’s Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor’s Authorized Official

Date