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LEGAL NOTICE

Advertisement for Request for Proposal

February 18, 2025

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be accepted by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department for Request for Proposals (**RFP 25-002/CG**), **Inmate Health Care Services for Jefferson County Correctional Facility**. Specifications for this project may be obtained from the Jefferson County website, <https://www.co.jefferson.tx.us/Purchasing/>, or by calling 409-835-8593.

Proposals are to be sealed and addressed to the Purchasing Agent with the proposal number and name marked on the outside of the envelope or box. Proposers shall forward an original and five (5) hard copies of their proposal to the address shown below. Late proposals will be rejected as non-responsive. Proposals will be publicly opened and only the firm name will be read aloud in the Jefferson County Engineering Conference Room (5th Floor, Historic Courthouse) 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701 at the time and date below. Proposals shall be opened in a manner that avoids disclosure of the contents to competing Proposers and maintains the confidentiality of the proposals during negotiations. Proposals will be open for public inspection after the award of the contract, except for trade secrets and confidential information. Proposers are invited to attend the sealed proposal opening.

There will be a Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference on Friday, February 28, 2025, at 10:30 am, CST, at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, 5030 Highway 69 S, Beaumont, Texas 77705.

PROPOSAL NAME: Inmate Health Care Services for Jefferson County Correctional Facility

PROPOSAL NUMBER: RFP 25-002/CG

DUE DATE/TIME: 11:00 AM CT, Wednesday, March 26, 2025

MAIL OR DELIVER TO: Jefferson County Purchasing Department
1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor
Beaumont, Texas 77701

Any questions relating to these requirements should be directed to Cindy Greene, Contract Specialist at 409-835-8593 or Cynthia.greene@jeffersoncountytexas.gov. If no response in 72 hours, contact Deborah Clark, Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or deb.clark@jeffersoncountytexas.gov.

Jefferson County encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), Minority/Women Business Enterprises (M/WBEs), and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) to participate in the bidding process. Jefferson County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment, or the provisions of services. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact our office at least seven (7) days prior to the bid due date at 409-835-8593.

All interested firms are invited to submit a proposal in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in this bid.

Proposers are strongly encouraged to carefully read the entire invitation, as failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

A handwritten signature of Deborah Clark in black ink, written over a circular stamp that partially matches the Jefferson County seal.

Deborah L. Clark, Purchasing Agent
Jefferson County, Texas

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PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer:

Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.

The Proposer's attention is especially called to the items listed below, which must be submitted in full as part of the proposal.

Failure to submit any of the documents listed below as a part of your proposal, or failure to acknowledge any addendum in writing with your proposal, or submitting a proposal on any condition, limitation, or provision not officially invited in this Request for Proposal (RFP) may cause for rejection of the proposal.

Proposer shall check each box indicating compliance.

THE ITEMS ON THE CHECKLIST BELOW MUST BE INCLUDED IN YOUR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION.

- ☐ Cover sheet identifying the contract/project being proposed, the name and address of the Proposer, the date of the proposal, and the email address, telephone, and facsimile numbers of Proposer.
- ☐ An acknowledgment and/or response to each section of the proposal.
- ☐ Form of business (e.g., corporation, sole proprietorship, partnership); if corporation the date and state of incorporation.
- ☐ Identification of three (3) entities for which the Proposer is providing or has provided Inmate Healthcare Services of the type requested, including the name, position, and telephone number of a contact person at each entity.
- ☐ Completed and Signed FORM 1295.
- ☐ Copy of Certificate of Insurance (COI). The COI at a minimum should reflect your firm/company's general insurance coverage.
- ☐ Identification of all legal claims, demands, contracts terminated or lawsuits filed, threatened, or pending against the Proposer and/or its principal/officers for the last three (3) years, as well as identification of any administrative actions or warnings taken or issued by any federal, state, or local governmental agency to Proposer and/or its principals/officers with regard to the provision of the same or similar service as covered by this RFP, or the payment of monies under the terms of any agreement(s) relating to such services.
- ☐ **One (1) Original and five (5) Response Copies; with all copies to include a Completed Copy of this specifications packet, in its entirety.**

Each Proposer shall ensure that required parts of the response are completed with accuracy and submitted as per the requirements within this specifications packet, including any addenda.

Failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

Please read the "Proposal Submittal Checklist" included in this package.

_____ Company	_____ Telephone Number
_____ Address	_____ Fax Number
_____ Authorized Representative (Please print)	_____ Title
_____ Authorized Signature	_____ Date

SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION TO PROPOSERS AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to receive proposals from qualified firms regarding services for Inmate Healthcare Services.

The following items are provided as general information and specifications as required by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.

1.1 VENDOR INSTRUCTIONS

Read the document carefully. Follow all instructions. Proposer is responsible for fulfilling all requirements and specifications. It is imperative

General Requirements apply to all advertised requests for proposals; however, these may be superseded, whole or in part, by the Scope of Services, Guidelines and Specifications, Requested Responses and Information, or other data contained herein. Be sure your proposal package is complete.

1.2 GOVERNING LAW

Proposer is advised that these requirements shall be fully governed by the laws of the State of Texas and that Jefferson County may request and rely on advice, decisions, and opinions of the Attorney General of Texas and the County Attorney concerning any portion of these requirements.

1.3 AMBIGUITY, CONFLICT, OR OTHER ERRORS IN THE RFP

If Proposer discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error in the RFP, Proposer shall immediately notify the County of such error in writing and request modification or clarification of the document. Modifications will be made by issuing Addenda. Written notice will be given to all parties who have been furnished with the RFP without divulging the source of the request for the same. If the Proposer fails to notify the County prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals of an error or ambiguity in the RFP known to Proposer, or an error or ambiguity that reasonably should have been known to Proposer, then Proposer shall not be entitled to compensation or additional time by reason of the error or ambiguity or its later resolution.

The County may also modify the RFP, no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals, by issuance of an Addendum to all parties who have received the RFP. All addenda will be numbered consecutively, beginning with 1.

1.4 NOTIFICATION OF MOST CURRENT ADDRESS

Firms in receipt of this RFP shall notify Deborah L. Clark, Jefferson County Purchasing Agent, of any address changes, contact person changes, and/or telephone number changes no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals.

1.5 PROPOSAL PREPARATION COST

Cost for developing proposals is entirely the responsibility of Proposers and shall not be charged to Jefferson County.

1.6 SIGNATURE OF PROPOSAL

A transmittal letter, which shall be considered an integral part of the proposal, shall be signed by an individual who is authorized to bind the Proposer contractually. If the Proposer is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be provided together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign on behalf of the corporation.

If the Proposer is a partnership, the true name of the firm shall be provided with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign.

If the Proposer is an individual, that individual shall sign. If signature is by an agent, other than an officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, a power of attorney or equivalent document must be submitted to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department prior to the submission of the proposal or with the proposal.

1.7 ECONOMY OF PRESENTATION

Proposals shall not contain promotional or display materials, except as they may directly answer in whole or in part questions contained in the RFP. Such exhibits shall be clearly marked with the applicable reference number of the question in the RFP. Proposals must address the technical requirements as specified in the RFP. All questions posed by the RFP must be answered concisely and clearly. Proposals that do not address each criterion may be rejected and not considered.

1.8 PROPOSAL OBLIGATION

The contents of the proposal and any clarification thereof submitted by the selected Proposer shall become part of the contractual obligation and incorporated by reference into the ensuing contract.

1.9 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE AND PRECEDENCE

This Agreement is derived from (1) the RFP, written clarifications to the RFP and County's response to questions; (2) the Contractor's Best and Final Offer, and (3) the Contractor's response to the RFP.

In the event of a dispute under this Agreement, applicable documents will be referred to for the purpose of clarification or for additional detail in the following order of precedence: (1) Amendments to the Agreement in reverse chronological order; (2) the Agreement, including the Scope of Work; (3) the Contractor's Best and Final Offer; (4) the RFP, including attachments thereto and written responses to questions and written clarifications; and (5) the Contractor's response to the RFP.

1.10 GOVERNING FORMS

In the event of any conflict between the terms and provisions of these requirements and the specifications, the specifications shall govern. In the event of any conflict of interpretation of any part of this overall document, Jefferson County's interpretation shall govern.

1.11 IMPLIED REQUIREMENTS

Products and services not specifically mentioned in the RFP, but which are necessary to provide the functional capabilities described by the Proposer, shall be included in the proposal.

1.12 COMPLIANCE WITH RFP SPECIFICATIONS

It is intended that this Request for Proposals (RFP) describe the requirements and the response format in sufficient detail to secure comparable proposals. Failure to comply with all provisions of the RFP will result in disqualification.

1.13 VENDOR REGISTRATION: SAM (SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT)

Vendors doing business with Jefferson County are **required** to be registered with The System for Award Management (SAM), with an "active" status. The System for Award Management (SAM) is the Official U.S. Government system that consolidated the capabilities of CCR/FedReg, ORCA, and EPLS. There is NO fee to register for this site. Entities may register at no cost directly from the SAM website at: <https://www.sam.gov>

In instances where a vendor has either an "Inactive" SAM Registration or is not currently registered with the System for Award Management, the Purchasing Department may *initially* accept proof (printout from the SAM website) that the vendor has begun the registration process in order for the IFB/RFQ/RFP submission to be considered as "responsive" to the specifications for the project.

However, the SAM Registration must be completed (showing "active" status, with no exclusions) prior to the award and/or execution of an agreement or contract for the project.

1.14 FORM 1295 (TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION)

FORM 1295 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT/INSTRUCTIONS FOR RFP PROPOSERS:

ALL NON-EXEMPT PROPOSERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM 1295 WITH PROPOSAL SUBMISSION.

INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) Submit a FORM 1295 online via the Texas Ethics Commission website link below.

Vendors must enter the required information on Form 1295, and print a copy of the completed form.

The form will include a certification of filing that will contain a unique certification number.

2. Submit a FORM 1295 hard copy (completed & signed by an Authorized Agent of the Awarded Vendor), to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department WITH RFP PROPOSAL SUBMISSION.

FORM 1295, Completion Instructions, and Login Instructions are available via the Texas Ethics Commission Website at: https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm

SAMPLE: A sample of a completed FORM 1295 is included on PAGE 7.

FORM 1295 Implementation Background:

In accordance with House Bill 1295 (passed January 1, 2016), Vendors entering into contracts and professional agreements with Jefferson County will be required to complete a Certificate of Interested Parties (FORM 1295), **unless contract is considered exempt as described below.**

In 2017, the Texas legislature amended the law to require Form 1295 to include an “unsworn declaration” which includes, among other things, the date of birth and address of the authorized representative signing the form. The unsworn declaration, including the date of birth and address of the signatory, replaces the notary requirement that applied to contracts entered into before January 1, 2018. The TEC filing application does not capture the date of birth or street address of the signatory and it will not appear on forms that are filed using the TEC filing application.

Changes to the law requiring certain businesses to file a Form 1295 are in effect for contracts entered into or amended on or after January 1, 2018. The changes exempt businesses from filing a Form 1295 for certain types of contracts and replace the need for a completed Form 1295 to be notarized. Instead, the person filing a 1295 needs to complete an “unsworn declaration.”

FORM 1295 EXEMPTIONS:

What type of contracts are exempt from the Form 1295 filing requirement under the amended law?

The amended law adds to the list of types of contract exempt from the Form 1295 filing requirement.

A completed Form 1295 is not required for:

- a sponsored research contract of an institution of higher education
- an interagency contract of a state agency or an institution of higher education
- a contract related to health and human services if: the value of the contract cannot be determined at the time the contract is executed; and o any qualified vendor is eligible for the contract
- a contract with a publicly traded business entity, including a wholly owned subsidiary of the business entity
- a contract with an electric utility, as that term is defined by Section 31.002, Utilities Code
- a contract with a gas utility, as that term is defined by Section 121.001, Utilities Code

VENDOR: FORM 1295 MUST BE COMPLETED/SUBMITTED ON TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION WEBSITE. HARD COPY OF FORM 1295 IS TO BE PRINTED, COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND SUBMITTED WITH BID/PROPOSAL/AGREEMENT/CONTRACT. JEFFERSON COUNTY WILL CONFIRM RECEIPT OF COMPLETED HARD COPY WITH THE TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION.

CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

FORM 1295

Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.
Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.

VENDOR:ENTER YOUR BUSINESS NAME, CITY, STATE, AND COUNTRY HERE

2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.

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3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.

VENDOR: ENTER BID/PROPOSAL/CONTRACT/AGREEMENT REF# AND TITLE HERE.

4	Name of Interested Party	City, State, Country (place of business)	Nature of Interest (check applicable)	
			Controlling	Intermediary
	VENDOR: ENTER EACH PERSON HAVING INTEREST, OWNERS ARE THE CONTROLLING PARTIES.		X	
	VENDOR: WORKERS (OR NON-OWNERS) IN YOUR COMPANY ARE INTERMEDIARY PARTIES.			X

5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party.

CHECK BELOW IF APPLICABLE

6 UNSWORN DECLARATION **VENDOR: COMPLETE, DATE, AND SIGN THIS DECLARATION SECTION.**

My name is _____, and my date of birth is _____

My address: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____.
(street) (city) (state) (zip code) (country)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed in _____ County, State of _____, on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

(month) (year)

Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity
(Declarant)

ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

Revised 12/22/2017

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission www.ethics.state.tx.us Revised 12/22/2017

NOTE: JEFFERSON COUNTY WILL KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM ON FILE FOR EACH BID/PROPOSAL/CONTRACT/AGREEMENT AND EACH VENDOR RESPONDING TO BIDS/PROPOSALS.

PROPOSER: INSERT COMPLETED FORM 1295 BEHIND THIS PAGE.

1.15 EMERGENCY/DECLARED DISASTER REQUIREMENTS

In the event of an emergency or if Jefferson County is declared a disaster area, by the County, State, or Federal Government, a contract (executed in response to this Request for Proposal) may be subjected to unusual usage. Contractor shall service the County during such an emergency or declared disaster under the same terms and conditions that apply during non-emergency/disaster conditions. The pricing as specified in the contract shall apply to serving the County's needs regardless of the circumstances. If Contractor is unable to supply the services under the terms of the contract, then Contractor shall provide proof of such disruption and a copy of the invoice from Contractor's supplier(s). Additional profit margin as a result of supplying services during an emergency or declared disaster shall not be permitted. In the event that additional equipment, supplies, and materials are required during the declared disaster, additional shipping, handling and drayage fees may apply.

1.16 EVALUATION

Jefferson County reserves the right to use all pertinent information (also learned from sources other than disclosed in the RFP process) that might affect the County's judgment as to the appropriateness of an award to the best evaluated Proposer. This information may be appended to the proposal evaluation process results. Information on a service provider from reliable sources, and not within the service provider's proposal, may also be noted and made part of the evaluation file. Jefferson County shall have sole responsibility for determining a reliable source. Jefferson County reserves the right to conduct written and/or oral discussions/interviews after the proposal opening. The purpose of such discussions/interviews is to provide clarification and/or additional information to make an award is in the best interest of Jefferson County.

1.17 WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL

The Proposer may withdraw its proposal by submitting a written request over the signature of an authorized individual, as described in paragraph 1.6, to the Purchasing Department any time prior to the submission deadline. The Proposer may thereafter submit a new proposal prior to the deadline. Modification or withdrawal of the proposal in any manner, oral or written, will not be considered if submitted after the deadline.

1.18 SMALL, MINORITY & WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION

It is the desire of Jefferson County to increase the participation of Small, Minority (MBE) and women-owned (WBE) businesses in its contracting and procurement programs. While the County does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms.

Minority owned business may be eligible for contract procurement assistance with public and private sector entities from MBDA Centers

Dallas Fort Worth MBDA Business Center

8828 N. Stemmons Freeway, Ste. 550 B

Dallas, TX 75247

214-920-2436

Website: <https://www.mbdadfw.com>

Email: admin1@mbdadallas.com

El Paso MBDA Business Center

2401 East Missouri Avenue

El Paso, TX 79903

915-351-6232

Website: <https://www.mbda.gov/business-center/el-paso-mbda-business-center>

Email: treed@ephcc.org

Houston MBDA Business Center

3100 Main Street, Ste. 701

Houston, TX 77002

713-718-8974

Website: <https://www.mbda.gov/business-center/houston-mbda-business-center>

Email: mbda@hccs.edu

San Antonio MBDA Business Center

501 W. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd., Ste. 3.324 B

San Antonio, TX 78207

210-458-2480

Website: <https://www.mbda.gov/business-center/san-antonio-mbda-business-center>

Email: Jacqueline.jackson@utsa.edu

Small and woman-owned business may be eligible for assistance from U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA):

Website: <https://www.sba.gov/local-assistance>

Dallas/Fort Worth District Office

150 West Parkway, Ste. 130

Euless, TX 76040

817-684-5500

Website: <https://www.sba.gov/district/dallas-fort-worth>

Email: dfwdo.email@sba.gov

El Paso District Office

211 N. Florence St, Ste. 201

El Paso, TX 79901

915-834-4600

Website: <https://www.sba.gov/district/el-paso>

Email: Suzanne.aguirre@sba.gov

Houston District Office

8701 S. Gessner Dr, Ste. 1200

Houston, TX 77074

713-773-6500

Website: <https://www.sba.gov/district/houston>

Email: houston@sba.gov

Lower Rio Grande Valley District Office

2422 E. Tyler Ave, Suite E

Harlingen, TX 78550

956-427-8533

Website: <https://www.sba.gov/district/lower-rio-grande-valley>

Email: lrgvdo.email@sba.gov

San Antonio District Office

615 E. Houston St, Ste 298

San Antonio, TX 78205

210-403-5900

Website: <https://www.sba.gov/district/san-antonio>

Email: sado.email@sba.gov

West Texas District Office

1205 Texas Ave, Room 408

Lubbock, TX 79401

806-472-7462

Website: <https://www.sba.gov/district/west-texas>

Email: lubdo@sba.gov

HUB certification information can be found at:

Statewide Procurement Division HUB Program

P.O. Box 13528

Austin, TX 78711

512-463-5872 or 888-863-5881

Website: <https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub>

Email: statewidehubprogram@cpa.texas.gov

PROPOSER: INSERT HUB, SBE, MBE or WBE Certification behind this page.

1.19 AWARD

Jefferson County reserves the right to award this contract on the basis of the **Best Offer** in accordance with the laws of Texas, to waive any formality or irregularity, to make award to more than one Proposer, and/or to reject any or all proposals. In the event the highest dollar Proposer meeting specifications is not awarded a contract, the Proposer may appear before Commissioners' Court and present evidence concerning his responsibility.

1.20 OWNERSHIP OF PROPOSAL

All proposals become the property of Jefferson County and will not be returned to Proposers.

1.21 DISQUALIFICATION OF PROPOSAL

Upon signing this proposal document, a contractor offering to sell supplies, materials, services, or equipment to Jefferson County certifies that the Proposer has not violated the antitrust laws of this state codified in Section 15.01, et seq, Business & Commerce Code, or the Federal Antitrust Laws, and has not communicated directly or indirectly the offer made to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business. Any or all proposals may be rejected if the County believes that collusion exists among the Proposers.

1.22 CONTRACTUAL DEVELOPMENT

The contents of the RFP and the selected proposal will become an integral part of the contract, but may be modified by provisions of the contract as negotiated. Therefore, the Proposer must be amenable to inclusion in a contract of any information provided (in writing) either in response to this RFP or subsequently during the selection process.

1.23 ASSIGNMENT

The selected vendor may not assign, sell, or otherwise transfer this contract without written permission of the Jefferson County Commissioners' Court.

1.24 CONTRACT OBLIGATION

Jefferson County Commissioners' Court must award the contract, and the County Judge or other person authorized by Jefferson County Commissioners' Court must sign the contract before it becomes binding on Jefferson County or the Proposer. **Department heads are not authorized to sign agreements for Jefferson County.** Binding agreements shall remain in effect until all products and/or services covered by this proposal have been satisfactorily delivered and accepted.

1.25 TERMINATION

Jefferson County reserves the right to terminate the contract for default if the awarded vendor breached any of the terms therein, including warranties of proposal, or if the Proposer becomes insolvent or commits acts of bankruptcy. Such right of termination is in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies Jefferson County may have in law or equity. Default may be construed as, but not limited to, failure to deliver the proper goods and/or services within the proper amount of time, and/or to properly perform any and all other requirements to Jefferson County's satisfaction, and/or to meet all other obligations and requirements. Contracts may be terminated without cause upon thirty (30) days' written notice to either party unless otherwise specified.

1.26 INSPECTIONS

Jefferson County reserves the right to inspect any item(s) or service location(s) for compliance with specifications and requirements and needs of the using department. If a proposal cannot furnish a sample of a proposed item, where applicable, for review, or fails to satisfactorily show an ability to perform, the County can reject the Proposer as inadequate.

1.27 TESTING

Jefferson County reserves the right to test equipment, supplies, material and goods proposed for quality, compliance with specifications, and ability to meet the needs of the user. Demonstration units must be available for review. Should the goods or services fail to meet requirements and/or be unavailable for evaluation, the offer is subject to rejection.

1.28 LOSS, DAMAGE, OR CLAIM

The Proposer shall totally indemnify Jefferson County against all claims by its employees, agents, or representatives or personal injury arising from any cause. In addition, the Proposer shall totally indemnify Jefferson County against all claims of loss or damage to the Proposer's and Jefferson County's property, equipment, and/or supplies.

1.29 TAXES

The contractor and its subcontractors, agents and employees, as the case may be, will be responsible for the payment of all federal, state and local taxes, and deposits or contributions imposed or required by law.

1.30 NON-DISCRIMINATION

The successful Proposer will be required to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act and with all provisions of federal, state, county and local (if any) laws and regulations to ensure that no employee or applicant for employment is discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin.

1.31 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The agreement entered into pursuant to this RFP will contain the Contractor's warranty that, except for bona-fide employees or selling agents maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business, no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit this contract upon an agreement or understanding for commission, percentage or contingency.

Further, the contractor will warrant that no kickbacks, gratuities, or contingency fees have been paid in connection with this RFP or contract and none has been promised contingent upon the award of contract. And, will still further warrant that to its knowledge and best belief, no one being paid under the agreement between the County and the contractor, is engaged in any activities which would constitute a conflict of interest with respect to the purposes of said agreement.

By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, all Proposers affirm that they have not given, nor intend to give, at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant or any employee or representative of same, in connection with this procurement.

Each Proposer must disclose any existing or potential conflict of interest relative to the performance of the requirements of this RFP. Examples of potential conflicts may include an existing business or personal relationship between the Proposer, its principal, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with the County or any other entity or person involved in any way in the project that is the subject of this RFP. Similarly, any personal or business relationship between the Proposer, the principals, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with any employee of the County or its suppliers must be disclosed. **Any such relationship that might be perceived or represented as a conflict must be disclosed. Failure to disclose any such relationship or reveal personal relationships with state employees may be cause for contract termination. The County will decide if an actual or perceived conflict should result in proposal disqualification.**

1.32 CONFIDENTIAL/PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

If any material in the proposal submission is considered by Proposer to be confidential or proprietary information (including manufacturing and/or design processes exclusive to the Proposer), **Proposer must clearly mark the applicable pages of Proposer's proposal submission to indicate each claim of confidentiality. Additionally, Proposer must include a statement on company letterhead identifying all Proposal section(s) and page(s) that have been marked as confidential.** Jefferson County will protect from public disclosure such portions of a proposal, unless directed otherwise by legal authority, including existing open records acts. Merely making a blanket claim that the entire proposal submission is protected from disclosure because it contains some proprietary information is not acceptable, and will make the entire proposal submission subject to release under the Texas Public Information Act.

By submitting a proposal, Proposer agrees to reproduction by Jefferson County, without cost or liability, of any copyrighted portions of Proposer's proposal submission or other information submitted by Proposer.

1.33 WAIVER OF SUBROGATION

Proposer and Proposer's Insurance Carrier waive any and all rights whatsoever with regard to subrogation against Jefferson County as an indirect party to any suit arising out of personal or property damages resulting from the Proposer's performance under this agreement.

1.34 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

By signing its proposal, Proposer acknowledges that it has read and understands the insurance requirements for this proposal. Proposer also understands that evidence of required insurance must be submitted within fifteen (15) working days following notification of acceptance of its offer; otherwise, Jefferson County may rescind its acceptance of the Proposer's proposal. The insurance requirements are part of this package.

1.35 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The contractor (including any and all subcontractors as defined in Section 1.36 below) shall, at all times during the term of this contract, maintain insurance coverages with not less than the type and requirements shown below. Such insurance is to be provided at the sole cost of the contractor. These requirements do not establish limits of the contractor's liability. All policies of insurance shall waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its officers, employees and agents; a copy of the policy wording or endorsement is required.

Contractor shall furnish Jefferson County with Certificate of Insurance naming Jefferson County as additional insured and will provide the actual policy wording or endorsement showing as such.

All insurance must be written by an Insurer licensed to conduct business in the State of Texas.

Minimum Insurance Requirements:

Public, Liability, including Products & Completed Operations	\$1,000,000
Excess Liability	\$1,000,000

Property Insurance (policy below that is applicable to this project):

Improvements & Betterments Policy: Improvements/Remodeling (for Lease Tenants)

Builder's Risk Policy: Structural Coverage for Construction Projects

Installation Floater Policy: Improvements/Alterations to Existing Structure

Workers' Compensation Statutory Coverage (See Section 1.36 Below)

1.36 WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE

1.36.1 Definitions:

1.36.1.1 **Certificate of coverage ("Certificate")** – A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the commission, or a coverage agreement, DWC-81, DWC-82, DWC-83, or DWC-84 showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project, for the duration of the project.

1.36.1.2 **Duration of the project** – Includes the time from the beginning of the work on the project until the contractor's/person's work on the project has been completed and accepted by the governmental entity.

1.36.1.3 **Persons providing services on the project ("subcontractor") in article 406.096** – Includes all persons or entities performing all or part of the services under the contractor has undertaken to perform on the project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractor, leasing companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity which furnishes persons to provide services on the project. "Services" includes, without limitation, providing, hauling or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or other service related to a project. "Services" does not include activities unrelated to the project, such as food/beverage vendors, office supply deliveries, and delivery of portable toilets.

1.36.2 The Contractor shall provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification code and payroll amounts and filing any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all employees of the contractor providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.

1.36.3 The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage to the governmental entity prior to being awarded the contract – refer to Section 1.35 above.

1.36.4 If the coverage period shown on the Contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project, the Contractor must, prior to the end of the coverage period, file a new certificate of coverage with the governmental entity showing that coverage has been extended.

1.36.5 The Contractor shall obtain from each person providing services on a project, and provide to the governmental entity:

1.36.5.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to that person beginning work on the project, so the governmental entity will have on file certificates of coverage showing coverage for all persons providing services on the project; and

1.36.5.2 No later than seven (7) days after receipt by the Contractor, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate ends during the duration of the project.

1.36.6 The Contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.

1.36.7 The Contractor shall notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the contractor knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project.

1.36.8 The Contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Texas Department of Workers' Compensation, informing all persons providing services on the project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.

1.36.9 The Contractor shall contractually require each person with whom it contracts to provide services on a project to:

1.36.9.1 Provide coverage, based on reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all its employees providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.

1.36.9.2 Provide to the Contractor, prior to that person beginning work on the project a certificate of coverage showing that coverage is being provided for all employees of the person providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.

1.36.9.3 Provide the Contractor, prior to the end of coverage period, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project.

1.36.9.4 Obtain from each person with whom it contracts, and provide to the Contractor:

1.36.9.4.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to the other person beginning work on the project; and

1.36.9.4.2 The coverage period, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, prior to the end of coverage ends during the duration of the project.

1.36.9.5 Retain all required certificates of coverage on file for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.

1.36.9.6 Notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the person knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project; and

1.36.9.7 Contractually require each person with whom it contracts to perform as required by paragraphs 1.36.1. – 1.36.7., with the certificates of coverage to be provided to the person for whom they are providing services.

1.36.10 By signing this contract or providing or causing to be provided a certificate of coverage, the Contractor is representing to the governmental entity that all employees of the contractor who will provide services of the project will be covered by workers' compensation coverage for the duration of the project, that the coverage will be based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier or, in the case of a self-insured, with the commission's Division of Self-Insurance Regulation. Providing false or misleading information may subject the contractor to administrative penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.

1.36.11 The Contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of contract by the Contractor which entitles the governmental entity to declare the contract void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of breach from the governmental entity.

PROPOSER: INSERT COPY OF CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (COI) BEHIND THIS PAGE.

Note: For proposal purposes, a general COI will suffice. However, a COI that includes the notation that “Jefferson County as an additional insured” will be required from Awarded Proposer(s) prior to the issuance of a Purchase Order.

SECTION 2: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA)
MANDATED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS
REQUIRED BY 2 C.F.R. §200.326 APPENDIX II TO 2 CFR §200

2 CFR 200.327 Contract provisions. The non-Federal entity's contracts should contain applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards. The non-Federal entity's contracts must contain the provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards, as applicable. ***Language as of August 31, 2022.**

THRESHOLD	PROVISION	CITATION
>\$250,000 (Simplified Acquisition Threshold)	Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908 , must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (A)
>\$10,000	All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (B)
None	<p>Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of “federally assisted construction contract” in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.”</p> <p>41 CFR 60-1.4 Equal opportunity clause.</p> <p>(b) Federally assisted construction contracts. (1) Except as otherwise provided, each administering agency shall require the inclusion of the following language as a condition of any grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee involving federally assisted construction which is not exempt from the requirements of the equal opportunity clause:</p> <p>The [recipient] hereby agrees that it will incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 CFR Chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Federal Government or borrowed on the credit of the Federal Government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause:</p> <p>During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:</p> <p>(1) 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:</p> <p>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</p>	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II I and 41 CFR §60-1.4(b)

	<p>post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (2) 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. (3) 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. (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment. (5) 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. (6) 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 his 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. (7) 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. (8) 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 	
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	<p>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 administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The [recipient] 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 [recipient] 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.</p> <p>The [recipient] 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.</p> <p>The [recipient] 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 [recipient] 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 [recipient] under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such [recipient]; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.</p>	
>\$2,000	<p>Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be 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. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts</p>	<p>2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (D)</p>

	must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3 , “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.	
>\$100,000	Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704 , as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (E)
None	Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and 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 must 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.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (F)
>\$150,000	Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q .) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended - Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (G)
>\$25,000	Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689) - A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), “Debarment and Suspension.” SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (H)
>\$100,000	Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) - Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. 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	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (I) and 24 CFR §570.303

	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 must 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 non-Federal award.	
	See 2 CFR §200.323.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (J)
	See 2 CFR §200.216.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (K)
	See 2 CFR §200.322.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (L)
>\$10,000	A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.	2 CFR 200.323
>\$100,000	<p><i>§135.38 Section 3 clause</i> <i>All section 3 covered contracts shall include the following clause (referred to as the section 3 clause):</i></p> <p>A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.</p> <p>B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.</p> <p>C. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.</p> <p>D. The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of</p>	

	<p>the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.</p> <p>E. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.</p> <p>F. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.</p> <p>G. With respect to work performed in connection with section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).</p>	
None	<p>Section 889(b)(1) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY2019 NDAA) and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216, as implemented by FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), prohibit the obligation or expending of federal award funds on certain telecommunication products or from certain entities for national security reasons. Effective August 13, 2020, FEMA recipients and subrecipients, as well as their contractors and subcontractors, may not obligate or expend any FEMA award funds to:</p> <p>Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Procure or obtain; (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems 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. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities). (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment. (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National 	2 CFR 200.216

	<p>Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.</p> <p>(b) In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.</p> <p>(c) See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information.</p> <p>(d) See also § 200.471.</p>	
None	<p>As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the non-Federal entity should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, 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 must be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. For purposes of this section:</p> <p>(1) "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.</p> <p>(2) "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.</p>	<p>2 CFR 200.322(a)(b)(1) (2)</p>
None	<p>The Federal awarding agency must establish conflict of interest policies for Federal awards. The non-Federal entity must disclose in writing any potential conflict of interest to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity in accordance with applicable Federal awarding agency policy.</p>	<p>2 CFR 200.112</p>
None	<p>The Federal awarding agency and the non-Federal entity should, whenever practicable, collect, transmit, and store Federal award-related information in open and machine-readable formats rather than in closed formats or on paper in accordance with applicable legislative requirements. A machine-readable format is a format in a standard computer language (not English text) that can be read automatically by a web browser or computer system. The Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must always provide or accept paper versions of Federal award-related information to and from the non-Federal entity upon request. If paper copies are submitted, the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must not require more than an original and two copies. When original records are electronic and cannot be altered, there is no need to create and retain paper copies. When original records are paper, electronic versions may be substituted through the use of duplication or other forms of electronic media provided that they are subject to periodic quality control reviews, provide reasonable safeguards against alteration, and remain readable.</p>	<p>2 CFR 200.336</p>
None	<p>Contracting with HUB, small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.</p> <p>(a) The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.</p> <p>(b) Affirmative steps must include:</p>	<p>2 CFR 200.321</p>

	<p>(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;</p> <p>(2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;</p> <p>(3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;</p> <p>(4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;</p> <p>(5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and</p> <p>(6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (b)(1) through (5) of this section.</p>	
None	<p>Financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other non-Federal entity records pertinent to a Federal award must be retained for a period of three years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report or, for Federal awards that are renewed quarterly or annually, from the date of the submission of the quarterly or annual financial report, respectively, as reported to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity in the case of a subrecipient. Federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities must not impose any other record retention requirements upon non-Federal entities. The only exceptions are the following:</p> <p>(a) If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the 3-year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.</p> <p>(b) When the non-Federal entity is notified in writing by the Federal awarding agency, cognizant agency for audit, oversight agency for audit, cognizant agency for indirect costs, or pass-through entity to extend the retention period.</p> <p>(c) Records for real property and equipment acquired with Federal funds must be retained for 3 years after final disposition.</p> <p>(d) When records are transferred to or maintained by the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity, the 3-year retention requirement is not applicable to the non-Federal entity.</p> <p>(e) Records for program income transactions after the period of performance. In some cases, recipients must report program income after the period of performance. Where there is such a requirement, the retention period for the records pertaining to the earning of the program income starts from the end of the non-Federal entity's fiscal year in which the program income is earned.</p> <p>(f) Indirect cost rate proposals and cost allocations plans. This paragraph applies to the following types of documents and their supporting records: Indirect cost rate computations or proposals, cost allocation plans, and any similar accounting computations of the rate at which a particular group of costs is chargeable (such as computer usage chargeback rates or composite fringe benefit rates).</p> <p>(1) <i>If submitted for negotiation.</i> If the proposal, plan, or other computation is required to be submitted to the Federal Government (or to the pass-through entity) to form the basis for negotiation of the rate, then the 3-year retention period for its supporting records starts from the date of such submission.</p> <p>(2) <i>If not submitted for negotiation.</i> If the proposal, plan, or other computation is not required to be submitted to the Federal Government (or to the pass-through entity) for negotiation purposes, then the 3-year retention period for the proposal, plan, or computation and its supporting records starts from the end of the fiscal year (or other accounting period) covered by the proposal, plan, or other computation.</p>	2 CFR 200.334

None	<p>CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION PROHIBITED. A governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Section 2270.0052, 2270.0102, or 2270.0152. In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Subchapter F, Respondent hereby represents and warrants that it is not a company identified on the lists prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code §§ 2270.0052 (companies with business operations in Sudan), 2270.0102 (companies with business operations in Iran), or 2270.0152 (companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to a foreign terrorist organization). Notwithstanding the foregoing, a company that the United States government affirmatively declares to be excluded from its federal sanctions regime relating to Sudan, Iran, or to a foreign terrorist organization, is not subject to contract prohibition under this clause. A company claiming such exemption must submit the official copy of the declaration.</p>	Texas Government Code 2252.152
>\$100,000	<p>PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. (a) This section applies only to certain solicitations and contracts. Section 2271.002 of the Texas Government Code states the following:</p> <p>(a) This section applies only to a contract that:</p> <p>(1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and</p> <p>(2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity.</p> <p>(b) A governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it:</p> <p>(1) does not boycott Israel; and</p> <p>(2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract. Section 2271.001(2) of the Government Code defines "company" to be the meaning assigned by Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, except that the term does not include a sole proprietorship.</p>	Texas Government Code 2271.002
Option Contract Language for contracts awarded prior to Grant Award	The contract award is contingent upon the receipt of federal funds. If no such funds are awarded, the contract shall terminate.	Optional
	Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.	42 U.S.C. 6201
	The Firm agrees that no otherwise qualified individual with disabilities shall, solely by reason of his/her disability, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination, including discrimination in employment, under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements-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.

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. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer:

**Please complete this form and
include with proposal submission.**

DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

Non-Federal entities and contractors are subject to the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension (1986) and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and the Department of Homeland Security's regulations at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (No procurement Debarment and Suspension).

This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

Federal Executive Order (E.O.) 12549 "Debarment" requires that all contractors receiving individual awards, using federal funds, and all sub recipients certify that the organization and its principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency from doing business with the Federal Government. By signing this document, you certify that your organization and its principals are not debarred. Failure to comply or attempts to edit this language may disqualify your bid/proposal. Information on debarment is available at the following websites: www.sam.gov and <https://acquisition.gov/far/index.html> see section 52.209-6.

The Contractor _____ certifies or affirms by your signature that neither you nor your principal is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

REQUIRED FORM**Proposer:**

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CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE PROVISIONS

1. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (Equal Opportunity Clause)

(For all awarded contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" provided in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3)

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

- 1) 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.
- 2) 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.
- 3) 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.
- 4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- 5) 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.
- 6) 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 his 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.
- 7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or order 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.

CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE PROVISIONS (CONTINUED)

- 8) 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 administering agency 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.

The applicant 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 applicant 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 applicant 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 applicant 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 applicant 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 applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer:

**Please complete this form and
include with proposal submission.**

SECTION 3. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements and instructions supersede General Requirements where applicable.

3.1. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL

Each Respondent shall ensure that required parts of the RFP response are completed with accuracy and submitted as per the requirements within this specifications packet, including any addenda.

Respondent is responsible for submitting: One (1) original and five (5) response copies; with all copies to include a completed copy of this specifications packet, in its entirety.

The County requests that response submissions NOT be bound by staples or glued spines.

Respondent shall monitor the Jefferson County Purchasing Department Website for any addenda, additional instructions, or RFQ updates. <https://www.co.jefferson.tx.us/Purchasing/>

Failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

Responses must be submitted in complete original form by mail or messenger to the following address:

Jefferson County Purchasing Department
1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor
Beaumont, TX 77701

Respondent shall submit response in a tightly sealed opaque envelope or box, plainly marked "SEALED RFP RESPONSE." The outside of the envelope or box shall also include the RFP Number, RFP Name, RFP Due Date, and the Respondent's Name and Address; and shall be addressed to the Purchasing Agent.

All submissions must be received by 11:00 am CT, Wednesday, March 26, 2025

- Late responses will not be accepted and will be returned unopened to the Respondent.
- Jefferson County will not accept any responsibility for responses being delivered by third party carriers.
- RFP responses will be accepted at the above address until the time and date specified herein, and immediately after will be publicly opened and read aloud.
- Jefferson County shall not be responsible for any effort or cost expended in the preparation of a response to this RFP.
- All responses submitted in response to this invitation shall become the property of Jefferson County and will be a matter of public record available for review.
- All protests should be coordinated through the Purchasing Office prior to award recommendation to Commissioners' Court.

Please direct questions to Cindy Greene, Contract Specialist, at 409-835-8593 or e-mail at: Cynthia.greene@jeffersoncountytexas.gov If no response in 72 hours, contact Deborah Clark, Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or deb.clark@jeffersoncountytexas.gov.

Courthouse Security:

All visitors to the Courthouse must pass through Security. Respondents planning to hand deliver proposals must allow time to get through Security, as a delay in entering the Courthouse will not be accepted as an excuse for late submittal. Mondays and Tuesdays are particularly heavy days.

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, Jefferson County will be implementing precautionary measures as currently recommended by the CDC within its facilities.

Respondents are strongly urged to plan accordingly.

COUNTY HOLIDAYS (2025):

~~January 20 (Monday) - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day~~
April 18 (Friday) - Good Friday
May 26 (Monday) - Memorial Day
June 20 (Friday) - Juneteenth
July 4 (Friday) - Independence Day
September 1 (Monday) - Labor Day
November 11 (Tuesday) - Veteran's Day
November 27 & 28 (Thursday & Friday) - Thanksgiving
December 25 & 26 (Thursday & Friday) Christmas
January 1, 2026 (Thursday) - New Year's

Submissions During Time of Inclement Weather, Disaster, or Emergency:

In case of inclement weather or any other unforeseen event causing the County to close for business on the date of a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submission deadline, the RFP closing will automatically be postponed until the next business day that County offices are open to the public. Should inclement weather conditions or any other unforeseen event cause delays in courier service operations, the County may issue an addendum to all known vendors interested in the project to extend the deadline. It will be the responsibility of the vendor to notify the county of their interest in the project should these conditions impact their ability to submit a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submission before the stated deadline. The County reserves the right to make the final judgement call to extend any deadline.

Should an emergency or unanticipated event interrupt normal County processes, and bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submissions cannot be received by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department's office by the exact time specified in the RFP and urgent County requirements preclude amendment to the RFP, the time specified for receipt of Statements of Qualifications will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first business day on which normal County processes resume.

3.2 PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

There will be a Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference on Friday, February 28, 2025, at 10:30 AM, CST, at Jefferson County Correctional Facility, 5030 Highway 69 S, Beaumont, TX 77705.

Proposals will be opened publicly in a manner to avoid public disclosure of contents; however, only names of Proposers will be read aloud.

3.3 QUESTIONS AND DEADLINE FOR QUESTION SUBMISSION

Questions may be emailed to **Cynthia Greene, Contract Specialist** at: Cynthia.greene@jeffersoncountytexas.gov or faxed at: 409-835-8456. If no response within 72 hours, contact Deborah Clark, Purchasing Agent at: deb.clark@jeffersoncountytexas.gov.

The Deadline for asking questions or requesting additional information (in writing) is 5:00 pm, CST, Friday March 7, 2025.

3.4 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

February 18, 2025	Issuance of Request for Proposal
February 28, 2025	Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference
March 26, 2025	Deadline Submission (late proposals will not be considered)
March 26, 2025	Proposals distributed to Evaluation Committee
April 8, 2025	Evaluation Committee Convenes to Tabulate Scoring and Determines Short List
April 9, 2025	If Applicable: Conduct Interview/Best and Final Offer/Short List
May 6, 2025	Recommendation for Award

Please note:

The above schedule of events is *tentative* in nature. Dates listed are subject to change.

SECTION 4. PROPOSAL FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

4.1 INTRODUCTION TO PROPOSAL FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

Each proposal submitted in response to this RFP must be organized to correspond with those numbered sections of this RFP that require a response. Failure to arrange the proposal as requested may result in the disqualification of the proposal. Conciseness and clarity of content are emphasized and encouraged. Vague and general proposals will be considered non-responsive, and will result in disqualification. The response must be complete. Failure to provide the required information may result in the disqualification of the proposal. All pages of the proposal must be numbered and the proposal must contain an organized, paginated table of contents corresponding to the sections and pages of the proposal.

The County requests that proposal submissions NOT be bound by staples or glued spines.

4.2 ORGANIZATION OF PROPOSAL CONTENTS

Each proposal must be organized in the manner described below:

- A. Transmittal Letter
- B. Table of Contents
- C. Executive Summary
- D. Proposer Identifying Information
- E. Proposer Personnel and Organization
- F. Cost Proposal Form (PAGE 57)
- G. Copy of RFP Specifications and any Addenda in their entirety.
(Note: All forms should be completed, and any information requested should be inserted/included)

4.3 TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The Proposer must submit a transmittal letter that identifies the entity submitting the proposal, and includes a commitment by that entity to provide the services required by the County. The transmittal letter must state that the proposal is valid for **(90)** days from the deadline for delivery of proposals to the County. Any proposal containing a term of less than **(90)** days for acceptance will be rejected as non-responsive.

The transmittal letter must be signed by a person legally authorized to bind the Proposer to the representations in the response. In the case of a joint proposal, each party must sign the transmittal letter. The Proposer also must indicate, in its transmittal letter, why it believes that it is the most qualified Proposer to provide the services described in this RFP.

The transmittal letter must include a statement of acceptance of the terms and conditions of the contract resulting from this RFP. If Proposer takes exception to any of the proposed terms and conditions stated in this RFP, those exceptions must be noted in the transmittal letter. However, Proposer must realize that failure to accept the terms specified in this proposal may result in disqualification of the proposal.

4.4 TABLE OF CONTENTS

Each proposal must be submitted with a table of contents that clearly identifies and denotes the location of each title and subtitle of the proposal. Additionally, the table of contents must clearly identify and denote the location of all enclosures of the proposal. The table of contents must follow the RFP's structure as much as is practical.

4.5 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Proposer must provide an executive summary of its proposal that asserts that the Proposer is providing in its response all of the requirements of this RFP. The executive summary must not exceed three (3) pages, and must represent a full and concise summary of the contents of the proposal. The executive summary must not include any information concerning the cost of the proposal. The Proposer must identify any services that are provided beyond those specifically requested. If the Proposer is providing services that do not meet the specific requirements of this RFP, but in the opinion of the Proposer are equivalent or superior to those specifically requested, any such differences must be noted in the executive summary. However, the Proposer must realize that failure to provide the services specifically required may result in disqualification of the proposal.

4.6 PROPOSER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Proposers must provide the following identifying information with their proposal submission:

- a. Name and address of business entity submitting the proposal;
- b. Type of business entity (i.e., corporation, partnership);
- c. Place of incorporation, if applicable;
- d. Name and location of major offices and other facilities that relate to the Proposer's performance under the terms of this RFP;
- e. Name, address, business and fax number of the Proposer's principal contact person regarding all contractual matters relating to this RFP;
- f. The Proposer's Federal Employer Identification Number, Jefferson County Vendor Number and Jefferson County Business License Number, if any;
- g. Full name and address for each member, partner, and employee of the Proposer (and any subcontractors) who will perform services on this project; and
- h. A statement regarding the financial stability of the Proposer, including the ability of the Proposer to perform the functions required by this RFP and to provide those services represented by the Proposer in its response.

4.7 PROPOSER'S PERSONNEL AND ORGANIZATION

The Proposer must provide resumes of all key personnel that will be involved in performing the project, and must provide for each person:

- a. Full name (including full middle name);
- b. An employment history;
- c. A specific description of relevant experience and skills that person has in connection with the conduct of financial advisory services that is the subject of this RFP (limit one page);
- d. A specific indication of what role the individual will have in this project; and
- e. Any additional helpful information to indicate the individual's ability to aid the Proposer in successfully performing the work involved in this RFP (limit to one page).

The resumes must present the required personnel in sufficient detail as to provide the County an indication that the personnel involved can perform the work specified in this RFP. All proposed personnel will be subject to the County approval. (Exact on-site staff may not be known at time of proposal submittal and actual candidates will require pre-approval by the County) Key positions to be included are:

- a. Chief Executive and Chief Operating Officer
- b. Executive Vice President
- c. Area Vice President and/or Regional Manager/Supervisor with direct responsibility for contractual oversight and supervision of site Health Services Administrator

- d. Corporate Medical Director and/or Regional Medical Director with direct clinical oversight of the site Medical Director/site providers
- e. Site Medical Director (exact on-site staff may not be known at time of proposal submittal and actual candidates will require pre-approval by the County)
- f. Utilization Manager/Case Manager/UM contractor assigned to the site
- g. Site Health Service Administrator (H.S.A.)

Jefferson County is committed to using the selected Performance Review Company according to reasonable and well-planned timeframes, to the extent possible. Jefferson County is committed to making available its personnel in a similar manner to enable the Performance Review team able to perform its duties in a timely basis.

Each Proposer is required to make a statement as to the availability of key personnel to Jefferson County when required. The key personnel who are to work on this project, identified in the proposal as such, are considered to be essential to the services to be provided. No substitutions of key personnel following contract award will be made without the prior written consent of Jefferson County Commissioners' Court. All requested substitutes must be submitted to the Jefferson County Commissioners' Court, or, together with their resumes, for approval.

Each of the successful Proposer's personnel is subject to removal from this project by Jefferson County Commissioners' Court. In addition, if the person removed is among the project's key personnel, the replacement must be approved by Jefferson County Commissioners' Court. All replacements of key personnel will be paid at the same rate as the person who was replaced, unless the rate normally charged by the replacement is lower, in which case the lower rate will be paid. All replacements of key personnel must be of equal or superior experience as the person replaced.

If applicable, each Proposer must provide a detailed statement setting forth the proposed hourly billing rate for all key personnel, and for each additional staff member to be assigned to the project. The hours each of the key personnel and other staff members are projected to work on the project.

Each Proposer must provide any equipment, software, or data communication lines required by the successful Proposer's personnel to complete the work specified in this document. Each Proposer also must identify any personnel related through blood or marriage to the County or to any current employee of the County.

Each Proposer must provide an organizational chart covering the services offered in its proposal, indicating lines of authority, names, titles, and functions of individuals assigned. The Proposer must assign a contact person to the project.

SECTION 5. PROJECT OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

PROJECT OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

5.1 Objective:

The Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, and the Office of the Sheriff of Jefferson County, have as their goal the establishment of a program that provides good quality medical, mental health, dental and other health care services for the inmates of Jefferson County Correctional Facility (JCCF) in Beaumont, Texas. Any reference to Health Care or Health Services encompasses all aspects of the program. Further, their goal is to provide such care in a cost-efficient manner, with knowledgeable administrative and clinical professionals, supported by competent staff, working under a health care system that provides all the elements required for recognition as a correctional health care program that meets community, state and national standards. To that end, the Commissioners' Court and the office of the Sheriff of the County have undertaken the solicitation of proposals to contract for such health care services for the inmates of JCCF, Beaumont, Texas.

5.2 Background and Description:

Description of Jail: Jefferson County Correctional Facility (JCCF) was opened in January 1992. The facility is a combination of minimum, medium and maximum-security housing. Management style is Direct Supervision. There are a total of 1268 beds. The medical department houses 24 inmates in two wards and there are 8 isolation cells, two of which are negative air pressure cells. The maximum-security units also have 12 isolation cells. An additional 52 maximum security beds will be added once construction is complete with an expected completion date of December 2026. The average daily population from January of 2024 to December of 2024 was 862.

The medical unit at JCCF has approximately 7,000 square feet of space that includes a waiting room, 3 exam rooms, a dental operatory, supply room, 3 offices, medication room, nursing station, medical records room, two 12-bed wards (each with a washroom, laundry, storage, toilets, lockers and hall space), and 8 medical isolation cells. The exam rooms contain basic equipment.

Current Contractor: All health care services at JCCF, on-site and off-site, are currently furnished under a contract with CorrHealth, LLC, a private health care contract provider. The current contract was entered into on June 13, 2023. The initial term will end June 12, 2025.

5.3 General Requirements:

Compliance with State and Federal Laws and Regulations: The Proposer shall keep fully informed on all federal and state laws, all local laws and regulations, and all orders and decrees of bodies or tribunals having any jurisdiction or authority which in any manner affect those engaged or employed in providing the services required under its contract with Jefferson County. The Proposer shall at all times observe and comply with all such laws, including, but not limited to, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, applicable provisions of Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations, Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Texas Medical Practices Act, The Sandra Bland Act, Texas Commission on Jail Standards, and all other pertinent state and federal laws, and all county and local laws, ordinances, regulations, orders and decrees in force at the time of award. State and federal Laws include but are not limited to the following:

5.3.1 Federal constitutional law under cases such as *Estelle v. Gamble*, 429 U.S. 97 (1976), as courts interpret and develop it;

5.3.2 Title II of the ADA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12131–12165; 28 CFR 35.151(k), 35.152; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 701, § 794; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d; 28 CFR 42.105, 42.204; and PREA's Disability and LEP Provision, 28 CFR 115.16;

5.3.3 Texas Commission on Jail Standards regulations, such as 37 Tex. Admin. Code Chapters 265, 271, 273, 275, and 277;

5.3.4 Provisions of the Texas Government Code, including § 511.009 (pregnant inmates, access to health professionals, continuity of prescriptions medication for mental illness), § 511.0098 (inmate health benefits);

5.3.5 The Sandra Bland Act and related regulations, SB 1849, 85 R.S. (2017) (codified, in part, at arts. 16.22–16.23 and 17.032, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; and § 511.009 and § 539.0051, Tx Gov’t Code); 37 Tex. Admin. Code 273.5;

5.3.6 Provisions related to mental health, including Articles 16.22–16.23, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapters 573 (emergency detention), 574 (court-ordered mental health services), 591–593 (intellectual disability), 611 (mental health records), and 614 (Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments), Texas Health & Safety Code; and Chapter 46B, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure;

5.3.7 Provisions related to pregnant persons, including Sections 511.0104–511.0105, 511.009(a)(14), Texas Government Code; Section 301 of the FIRST STEP Act, 18 U.S.C. § 4322; Section 351.048, Texas Local Government Code; and 37 Tex. Admin. Code 271.1(a)(3), 273.2(5), (15);

5.3.8 EMTALA, 42 U.S.C. § 1395dd (fit-for-confinement work; medical records in appropriate transfers);

5.3.9 Financial provisions, including the Indigent Health Care and Treatment Act, Texas Health & Safety Code, Chapter 61; Article 104.002, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; and Section 511.0098, Texas Government Code;

5.3.10 Privacy provisions, including the HIPAA Privacy Rule, 45 CFR Part 164, Subpart E; the Medical Records Privacy Act, Health & Safety Code, Chapter 181; and the Mental Health Records Act, Texas Health & Safety Code, Chapter 611.

5.4 Standards and Accreditation:

Unless stated otherwise, the Proposer shall design and deliver healthcare services to comply with all applicable standards of the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC).

The seven general areas of the NCCHC standards (presently, Standards for Health Services in Jails, 2018) include:

- (A) Governance and Administration;
- (B) Health Promotion, Safety, and Disease Prevention;
- (C) Personnel and Training;
- (D) Ancillary Health Care Services;
- (E) Patient Care and Treatment;
- (F) Special Needs and Services; and
- (G) Medical-Legal Issues.

JCCF is currently accredited by the NCCHC. Accreditation is to remain in full effect during the term of this Agreement and any extensions thereof. The Proposer shall be responsible for the payment of all accreditation fees. Proposer is responsible for compliance with all applicable standards and in staying up-to-date with any changes to standards issued by the NCCHC.

5.5 Term:

The contract resulting from this RFP will have an initial term period of two (2) years. Jefferson County and the Sheriff may request to renew the original contract as amended from time to time, at the same terms, conditions, and pricing. Each renewal, if any, will be in one (1) year increments for three (3) additional years past the initial term. At the expiration of the initial two (2) year term, the parties may, at their independent discretion, agree to extend the contract for up to three (3) additional one (1) year terms. You may also submit an alternate contract term in your proposal.

This contract may be terminated by either party for any reason by giving sixty (60) days written notice of intent to terminate.

Request for modification of contract price shall be allowed only on the anniversary date of the contract. Prices throughout the initial two (2) year term shall remain firm/fixed. Written requests for price revisions after the second year shall be submitted in advance to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Jefferson County Purchasing Department. Requests shall be based upon and include documentation of the actual change in cost of components involved in the contract. Price increase shall not include overhead or profit. The County reserves the right to reject any price increase and/or to terminate the contract.

An explanation of any and all costs the Proposer intends to pass-through to the County as part of their operational budget is required in the Proposer response. Be aware that failure to include all costs in your proposal could be reason for contract termination.

The annual contract price shall include the operational budget to deliver healthcare services to inmates of JCCF plus an Aggregate Cap amount of \$1,000,000.00. This total annual price will be divided into 12 monthly installments.

The \$1,000,000.00. Aggregate cap is for off-site inmate healthcare costs. The County will reimburse the contractor for off-site medical services costs that exceed the \$1,000,000.00. annual Aggregate Cap. In the event that the Aggregate Cap is not met in any given year, the unspent money will be credited back to the County.

5.6 Supplies and Office Equipment:

Supplies and medications on hand at the contract starting date will be available for use by the contract provider.

JCCF has the following equipment on-site:

- EKG (1)
- Pulse Oximeter (8)
- WA Vital Signs Monitor (3)
- Thermascan Thermometers (2)
- Oral Thermometers (2)
- Dental Autoclave (1)
- Dental X-Ray Processor (1)
- Dental X-Ray Machine (1)
- Dental Chair (1)
- AED/Defib (2)
- Medication Cart (2)
- Stretcher (1)
- Hospital Beds (2)
- Exam Tables (3)
- Wheelchairs (4)
- Walkers (4)
- Crutches (3)
- Nebulizer (2)
- Emergency Bags (2)
- Disaster Box (1)
- O2 Concentrator (2)
- Medication Refrigerator (1)
- Centrifuge (1)
- Lab Refrigerator (1)
- Lab Cart (1)
- IV Pole (1)
- Pill Crusher (2)
- Scales (4)
- Medication Shelves (5)
- Otoscope (2)
- Ophthalmoscope (1)
- Vaccine Freezer (1)
- Small Med/Diabetic Carts (2)
- Evacuation Medication Bins (3)
- Ultrasonic Dental Cleaner (1)

In addition to supplies and equipment on-site on the date of the contract, JCCF will provide all cleaning and maintenance materials, bedding and clothing for medical department patients, all food service including meals for correctional officers on assignment at a hospital or medical consultant's office, clinic/health-services-area furniture (that which is ordinarily found in clinic offices such as desks, chairs, tables, lamps, regular file cabinets, telephones, window coverings), and medical department beds, medical department intercom system, table stands, chairs, etc.

Proposer will supply at its expense, all other supplies required to carry out its performance. Said supplies will include, but not be limited to, forms, books, medical record folders, all pharmaceuticals (prescription and non-legend), including HIV medications, PPD if not supplied by the Health Department, prosthetics (e.g., dentures, eyeglasses, artificial limbs), hand instruments, needles and sharps, special medical items (e.g., wheelchairs, if cost is under \$500, trusses, crutches), testing

devices, containers and clinical waste receptacles, inmate information materials, gloves and coverings, disinfectants, manuals, aprons and health service personnel outer-wear (e.g., disposable clothing, if used).

In addition, the Proposer will supply at its expense on-site office equipment it needs such as copiers, fax machines, pagers, calculators, additional telephones, answering machines, ordinary computer equipment and all standard and ordinary office supplies including but not limited to paper, ink cartridges, pens, clips, labels, binders, etc.

Proposer will ensure there are adequate equipment and supplies to meet the needs of the program. Proposer will be responsible for all repairs and maintenance of all medical equipment used towards the fulfillment of this Agreement. Proposer shall be responsible for purchasing and stocking all medical and pharmaceutical supplies for the routine and specialty care of all inmates.

Equipment and Supplies Remain Property of JCCF: All equipment purchased under the contract shall be the property of JCCF and shall remain on site at the termination of the contract. All supplies, including pharmaceuticals, purchased for use in the performance of the contract, shall be the property of JCCF and shall remain on site at the termination of the contract.

Placing Purchased Item in Correct Category: In the event it isn't clear whether an item fits under the category of "equipment" or "supply", and there is a difference of opinion as to its appropriate category, the amount of its net purchase price shall be the determinate factor, to wit: if in excess of \$500, the item shall be deemed "equipment"; if \$500 or less, the item shall be deemed "supply".

5.7 Records and Documentation:

All Records and documentation remain the property of JCCF: All medical and other records, policies and procedures, manuals, instructional books, orientation, and continuing education records and materials, and documentation of every sort, developed for or used in the operation of the health care program by Proposer under the contract, shall be the property of JCCF and, at the termination of the contract, remain the property of JCCF.

Electronic Medical Records (EMR): Proposer must provide an EMR that meets all NCCHC, ACA, Texas Jail Standards, and any standard that may apply. The system must be fully integrated and bridge with the counties current jail management system. The EMR shall include medication administration, utilization management, discharge planning, tracking of inmate grievances, tracking of off-site appointments, ability to track inmate fees, ability to track dental, mental health, chronic care, and other services. The EMR must be able to generate daily, weekly, and monthly reports as needed. The Proposer must agree to give JCCF all medical records in a digitized stand-alone form upon termination of the contract. The Proposer shall be responsible for implementing the EMR upon acceptance of this contract.

The Proposer shall ensure that accurate, comprehensible, legible, up-to-date medical information is maintained on each inmate under Proposer's care. That confidential and complete and well-organized medical records are maintained for medical department in-patient and clinic ambulatory care, and that these records include, among other detail, information with respect to mental health and dental care, and hospital in-patient and emergency care, laboratory and radiological services, medication administration record, and medical specialty encounters.

The Proposer shall be the keeper of inmate medical records (active and inactive) throughout the term of the contract and shall adhere to State and federal laws and regulations governing the management of medical records. At the end of the contract, all medical records will become the property of JCCF. All medical records will be available for review by administrative staff of JCCF at any time. Inmate medical records shall be maintained separately from the correctional file, and the confidentiality and security of medical records shall be maintained at all times, Tex. Admin. Code Sec. 265.4. The Proposer shall comply with Texas law regarding retention of health records.

5.8 Alternates (Options):

The Proposer is to specify in its proposal, any alternates it wishes to propose for consideration by the County and Sheriff. Each of these alternates should be sufficiently described and labeled within the proposal, and should indicate its possible or actual advantage to the program being offered. Any proposed decrease or increase in proposal price should also be stated. The name or title of the alternate and its effect on the base price should be restated in the "Price" section of the proposal.

5.9 Services and Administration:

The Proposer is to establish a program for the provision of comprehensive health care services for JCCF. The program is to meet constitutional standards and, as a minimum, meet the standards of the Texas Jail Commission as well as the National Commission on Correctional Health Care. The Proposer will be responsible for the diagnosis, treatment, and medication administration to inmates of the JCCF. Proposer will be responsible for record keeping for all healthcare services and statutory requirements and provide all related administrative services in the management of the program.

Proposer will create their own policies and procedures for their medical staff employees at the JCCF that shows conformity with state and federal laws. A copy of Proposer's policies and procedures will be given to the Sheriff.

Proposer is solely responsible for all medical decisions involved in delivery of healthcare services. The JCCF Administrators and designated staff are solely responsible for all security decisions involved in operation of the Correctional Facility and in transportation of inmates and do not direct or supervise the medical staff in any way regarding the medical treatment of inmates.

Included and generally described below are features of the program. Said inclusion is not to indicate any limitations of the program, but is intended only as a general description of some of the program's contents as they apply to JCCF.

5.9.1 Policies and Procedures: Proposer shall provide for the development, maintenance and annual review of administrative and operational policies and procedures, and such other manuals and documents that help guide staff in providing quality care in an effective and efficient manner. The Sheriff reserves the right to review the policies and procedures of the Proposer solely to verify they meet the requirements of the Texas Jail Standards and NCCHC.

5.9.2 Meetings and Reports: The Proposer shall coordinate with a Jail Administrator for meetings to discuss health care services provided by Proposer to JCCF inmates. Minutes or summaries shall be maintained and distributed to attendees with copies retained for future reference. Proposer shall provide a monthly statistical service report to show the number of services that are being provided by the nurses, medical doctor, mental health doctor and dentist as well as number of off-site referrals and reason for referral. The Proposer shall prepare and participate in external reviews, inspections and audits as requested and shall participate in the preparation of responses to critiques. The Proposer shall develop and implement plans to address/correct identified deficiencies.

Statistical reports and incident reports shall be submitted to the Jail Administrator monthly. The Health Administrator and Jail Administrator will review incident reports at least quarterly. Incidents involving serious consequences, such as an inmate death, are to be reported to the Jail Administrator immediately along with a copy of all medical records relating to inmate.

5.9.3 Inmate Complaints and Grievances: In accordance with Tex. Admin. Code Sec. 283, the Proposer shall comply with Texas law in dealing with inmate complaints regarding any aspect of the health care delivery system. The Proposer shall maintain monthly statistics of grievances filed i.e. those with and without merit. All grievance procedures shall be in accordance with the Tex. Admin. Code Sec. 283. The Sheriff reserves the right to review any inmate complaints and review the Proposer's actions. The Proposer must implement the Sheriff's recommendations in disputed cases.

5.9.4 Staff Meetings: The proposer shall have a provision for monthly health service staff meetings to include medical, dental, and mental health, to ensure good communication within health services, and the documentation of such meetings.

5.9.5 Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI): The Proposer is responsible for the establishment of a continuous quality improvement committee. The Proposer shall develop and implement a plan to self-monitor services through quality assurance reviews and inspections. Proposer shall inform the Sheriff and the Jail Administrator of what controls will be in place to meet applicable federal and state standards to provide quality care to the jail inmates.

- 5.9.6 Chart Review:** The Proposer shall conduct regular chart review by physicians of outpatient and inpatient medical records. Chart reviews, deliberations and actions taken as a result of reviews should be documented according to Proposer policy and in accordance with applicable state or federal law, Texas Jail Standards and NCCHC guidelines.
- 5.9.7 Utilization Review Program:** The Proposer shall establish a utilization review program for the review and analysis of the utilization of off-site referrals including subspecialty and inpatient stays. The program shall include non-urgent hospitalization, pre-certification, urgent hospital certification, concurrent review, prospective denial, discharge planning, and prior authorization of targeted procedures, e.g., MRI and CAT scans. The utilization management program shall demonstrate that the use of outside service has been appropriate (medically indicated) and that the length of stay, if applicable is neither longer nor shorter than medically indicated.
- 5.9.8 Risk Management:** The Proposer shall indicate its risk management plan and discuss its procedures for dealing with critical incidents. The Proposer shall be responsible for establishing and providing evidence of a formal mortality review process.
- 5.9.9 Pharmacy and Therapeutic Committee:** The Proposer shall implement a pharmacy and therapeutic committee which shall be responsible for additions, deletions to formulary, monitoring usage of pharmaceuticals including psychotropic and identifying prescribing patterns of practitioners. Quarterly written consultation reviews of the pharmacy by a consultant pharmacist shall be required. The Proposer shall utilize a local pharmacy agreement for providing STAT medication orders.
- 5.9.10 Infection Control:** The Proposer shall establish an infection control activity that monitors the incidence of infectious and communicable disease, seeks to prevent their incidence and spread, and provides for the care and treatment of inmates so infected. Reporting of infections must be in accordance with local and state laws. The program must comply with CDC and OSHA regulations.
- 5.9.11 TB Testing:** The Proposer will administer/conduct all TB testing for inmates and Annual TB testing will be provided for staff according to the Texas Department of Health guidelines. Approximately 250 staff tests are done annually. Proposer will submit TB plan to the Texas Department of Health on an annual basis. The local Health Department provides the serum and syringes for inmate and employee testing.
- 5.9.12 Pre-Employment Physicals:** Proposer will perform pre-employment physicals for JCCF employees. The Proposer's physician will be responsible for obtaining a history and performing a physical for prospective employees of JCCF. The following are the approximate number of physicals performed during the last periods for which numbers are available.
- a. 45 physicals: April 2020 – March 2021
 - b. 66 physicals: April 2021 – March 2022
 - c. 212 physicals: January 2022 – July 2024
- 5.9.13 Medical Waste Disposal:** The Proposer shall make provision for collection, storage, and removal of medical waste and sharps containers in accordance with state and federal regulations. The Proposer is responsible for the costs of removal and disposal, including all necessary supplies.
- 5.9.14 Disaster Plan:** Proposer shall comply with the current JCCF disaster plan in the event of a man-made or natural disaster. Pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318-326.
- 5.9.15 Co-Pay Program:** JCCF has implemented a co-pay program for inmate health services.
- 5.9.16 Licensure:** The medical services provider must ensure that all medical care and services to be performed and provided by it are provided by persons who are fully qualified and appropriately licensed, certified or registered in the State of Texas. Copies of all current nursing and physician licenses shall be kept on file in the administrator's office. Licensure of all subcontractors and contract employees shall be kept on file in the administrator's office. The files shall be made available to the Jail Administrator when requested.

5.9.17 Continuing Education: The Proposer shall keep and maintain a record of ongoing and continuing education for health service personnel and assist the JCCF Administration in the training (such as CPR, First Aid, and Suicide Prevention) of non-health service staff.

5.9.18 Proposer Employees: The Proposer shall hire all employees necessary for the performance of this Agreement. The Proposer agrees to initially consider for employment individuals who are currently assigned to work for Health Services at JCCF, as of the date of this proposal. Initial and continued employment of staff and subcontractors shall be subject to approval of the Sheriff. All persons employed by the Proposer will be employees of the Proposer and not Jefferson County or the Sheriff's Office.

The Proposer, in performing work required by this Agreement, shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment or violate any federal, state, or local laws.

The Sheriff reserves the right to prohibit any of the Proposer's employees and/or independent contractors from performing service with regard to this Agreement.

All personnel shall be required to pass a background investigation conducted by the Sheriff's Office for initial and/or continued employment. Additionally, all personnel performing on-site services may be required to undergo a urinalysis or blood test if there is reason to believe that they are under the influence of alcohol or other substances of abuse.

All personnel shall comply with all state, federal, and local laws and regulations, court orders, administrative directives, institutional directives, Texas Jail Standards, NCCHC standards, and policies and procedures of the Sheriff and JCCF.

The Proposer shall provide the names of corporate or regional management personnel assigned to this contract. Resumes of key personnel described in Section 4.7 shall be included with this proposal. Any replacement personnel shall be subject to approval of the Sheriff.

The Proposer shall notify and consult with the Jail Administrator prior to discharging, removing, or failing to renew contracts of professional staff.

The Proposer shall notify the Jail administrator when any on-site position becomes vacant due to termination of or resignation of the employee.

5.9.19 Job Descriptions: Proposer shall provide Job Descriptions for all areas of health staff employment and staff shall be adequately oriented to their tasks.

5.9.20 Staffing Levels: The Proposer shall ensure there are sufficient numbers and appropriate levels of staff to perform all the requirements for conducting an effective, efficient and quality health services program. Health services staff shall include a 32 hour per week Medical Director (Medical Doctor) plus 40 hour per week NP/PA, and a 40 hour per week Health Services Administrator. The Proposer is to indicate in its proposal, the range and scope of the responsibilities and activities of the Medical Director and Health Services Administrator. The Proposer is also to indicate in its proposal, the levels, numbers and time to be spent on site for all staff positions. The medical director or designee shall be on call 24 hours per day.

5.9.21 Understaffing and Vacancy Rates:

For the purpose of this section:

Understaffing means: Understaffing is when on-site hours required in the agreement for a position are not filled through employment, appointment, or contracting with a qualified person on a permanent or temporary basis, by staff holding the same license or higher of the understaffed position, for a period of less than 30 consecutive days.

Vacancy means: A position is considered vacant when it has not been filled in any capacity with an individual carrying the same license or higher of the vacant position as required by the staffing levels of the agreement for an accumulated period of 30 consecutive days or more until such time as the position is filled on a permanent basis.

Proposer agrees to maintain staffing levels in the agreement between Jefferson County, the Sheriff and the Proposer. Proposer shall make every attempt to keep understaffing or vacancy at an absolute minimum. All positions shall be filled on all shifts including holidays. The Proposer shall specify how they intend to cover periods of absences caused by vacations, holidays, and sick leave, and shall state what relief factor, if any, were computed into their staffing ratio. The Proposer should state whether positions in their proposal are to be covered by full or part time personnel. All full-time contractual staff shall be on-site for at least 40 hours per week. **Remote services are not allowed to cover on-site required staffing as outlined in section 5.10.**

The Proposer shall issue a credit consisting of 150% of the hourly salary and fringe benefits for each position vacant for an accumulated period of 30 consecutive days or more until such time as the position is filled on a permanent basis. A position is considered vacant when it has not been filled in any capacity with an individual carrying the same license or higher of the vacant position as required by the staffing levels of the agreement. Vacant positions must be filled, through employment, appointment, or contracting with a qualified person on a permanent or temporary basis, by staff holding the same license or higher.

The Proposer must credit 100% of positions salary for understaffing less than 30 days. Understaffing is on-site hours worked that do not meet the staffing levels required in the agreement for a period of less than 30 consecutive days. The proposer will credit the county on a monthly basis for all scheduled hours not worked on site, by position, as stated in the agreement. Ex: Total licensed LVN on-site hours worked in a month (30 days) is 2000. The agreement states the contracted licensed LVN hours are 2160 (30 days), therefore the Proposer would credit the county for the 160 LVN hours which were understaffed. Understaffing hours must be filled, through employment, appointment, or contracting with a qualified person on a permanent or temporary basis, by staff holding the same license or higher of the understaffed position.

Any credited amount shall be approved by the Jail Administrator and the County Auditor. The credited amount will be payable to Jefferson County from the Proposer as a credit to Jefferson County's next monthly billing by Proposer.

The baseline inmate population used for this contract will be 850. For the purposes of calculation, the inmate daily population will be averaged over a monthly period to determine the Average Daily Population (ADP) to be used for billing purposes. No per diem will be applied until the ADP increases or decreases by more than one hundred fifty (150) above or below the baseline inmate population monthly for three (3) consecutive months. If the ADP increases above 1000 for three (3) consecutive months, the per diem rate from the "Cost Proposal Form" per inmate over the baseline population of 850, will be charged to the County. Similarly, should the ADP fall below 700 for three (3) consecutive months; the per diem rate from the "Cost Proposal Form" per inmate under the baseline population of 850, will be credited to the County. Should the ADP exceed 1000 inmates or fall below 700 inmates for three (3) consecutive months or more, Proposer, the County and Sheriff reserve the right to negotiate for changes in staff as agreed to by all parties and the subsequent compensation or reduction for the staffing changes.

5.9.22 Pharmaceuticals and Supplies: Proposer shall ensure that adequate and appropriate medications are on hand or available in timely order, and that all pharmaceutical and medical supplies on site are maintained, dispensed, and distributed under good pharmaceutical practices.

Proposer will provide all reasonable and medically necessary medications, prescription and non-prescription including IV solutions, mental health medications, and HIV medications.

The Proposer shall make provisions for on-site delivery of medications to inmates seven days per week and on-site STAT dose capability for emergencies. Medications are to be administered to inmates in their prospective housing areas. Inmates' medications will be administered on a consistent schedule whenever possible. Proposer shall provide, furnish, and supply pharmaceuticals and drugs to JCCF using a blister pack form of packaging.

Proposer shall include a Medication Administration Record to include all information contained on the prescription label.

JCCF sells some non-prescription items through the Commissary.

5.9.23 Initial Screening: Inmates are screened by an EMT-P, EMT-I, or nurse for medical, dental, mental health problems or serious intoxication by drugs or alcohol immediately upon arrival to JCCF and prior to housing. The total bookings processed from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 was 10,753. Through the EMT-P, EMT-I, or nurse stationed at the booking area, Proposer shall refuse to admit to JCCF any inmate who displays signs of needing imminent health care and/or mental health care due to untreated injury, illness, communicable disease, mental health issue or serious detox issues until that inmate has been treated and stabilized at a hospital emergency room. After an inmate has received treatment and been stabilized at a hospital emergency room for the injury, illness, communicable disease, mental health issue, alcohol or drug issues for which he/she was previously rejected for admission to the jail, and law enforcement personnel present evidence of such treatment to Contract personnel, that inmate shall be admitted to the jail and Proposer shall assume treatment of said inmate by the direction of the treating hospital doctor within the limits of this Agreement.

Nursing staff shall be expected to review the findings of the receiving screening on a daily basis. An explanation of procedures for accessing medical care shall be provided to inmates orally and in writing upon their arrival to JCCF.

5.9.24 14-Day Health Assessments: Proposer will provide a mechanism for the medical, dental, and mental health assessments within 14 days of admission into the system, and yearly thereafter, in accordance with NCCHC standards. The 14-day full health assessment must include the following:

- Review of the receiving screening,
- Complete history and physical examination,
- Recording of vital signs, height, and weight,
- Mental health evaluation,
- Vision and hearing screening,
- Dental evaluation
- Laboratory test including VDRL, and other diagnostic tests as clinically indicated,
- Review of the results of the health appraisal by a physician, and
- Initiation of therapy, when appropriate.

5.9.25 Texas Uniform Health Status Update Form: The Proposer shall complete a Texas Uniform Health Status Update Form for all inmates transferred to other correctional facilities from JCCF.

5.9.26 Inmate Sick Call: Proposer shall ensure that Inmate health care services are accessible and available through a sick call system and through follow-ups that, when appropriate, include referral to medical, dental, and mental health specialties in accordance with Texas Commission on Jail Standards and NCCHC guidelines.

The Proposer shall conduct nurse sick call seven days a week including holidays. The physician, NP, or PA coverage shall consist of sick call a minimum of 5 days per week. A physician will be on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In conducting these clinics, health care staff shall utilize triage protocols and shall ensure all appropriate follow-up care is provided. Sick call requests are to be screened within 24 hours of their submission. All inmates are to be seen at sick call within 48 hours of their submission of a request for health services. Sick call shall be conducted on the day and/or evening shifts.

Daily sick call shall be conducted in the Administrative Separation units as well. There shall be an assigned nurse in Administrative Separation units a minimum of 16 hours a day, seven days a week. Assessments will be done during Administrative Separation rounds, a minimum of three times a week to determine inmate's health status. A record of these Administrative Separation rounds as well as any clinical encounter will be noted in each inmate's medical record.

- 5.9.27 Glasses, Prostheses and Medical Equipment:** When needed and as appropriate, eye glasses, dental replacement and other prostheses shall be furnished to the inmate requiring same at the expense of the Proposer in accordance with NCCHC guidelines.
- 5.9.28 Inmate Education:** Proposer shall provide Inmates with an opportunity for self-education regarding their personal health and well-being, and have the legal opportunity to be informed regarding treatment and the right to refuse care. Proposer shall operate on-site specialty clinics at JCCF which shall include but not be limited to, STD, HIV, TB and any other public health communicable disease.
- 5.9.29 Chronic Care:** Proposer shall develop and implement a program for the care of chronic care inmates. The chronic care clinic provided shall entail the development of an individual treatment plan by the responsible physician specifying instructions on diet, medication, and diagnostic testing. Chronic care patients shall be provided a review by a physician minimally every three months.
- 5.9.30 Prenatal Care:** The Proposer shall develop provisions for prenatal care. Prenatal care shall include but not be limited to: Routine urine testing for proteins and key tones, vital signs, assessment of fundal height and heart tone, dietary supplement, and observation of signs of toxemia. The following are the numbers of pregnant females in the most recent contract terms.
- a. 68 pregnant females: April 2020 – March 2021
 - b. 51 pregnant females: April 2021 – March 2022
 - c. 71 pregnant females: April 2022—March 2023
 - d. 9 pregnant females: April 2023—May 2023
 - e. 66 pregnant females: June 2023—May 2024
 - f. 45 pregnant females: June 2024—December 2024
- 5.9.31 Detoxification and Withdrawal:** The Proposer will be responsible for the detoxification of inmates withdrawing from drugs or alcohol. Inmates experiencing severe detoxification (overdose) or withdrawal shall be transferred to an emergency room. The following are the numbers of inmates detoxed during the most recent contract terms.
- a. 877 inmates: April 2020 – March 2021
 - b. 467 inmates: April 2021 – March 2022
 - c. 449 inmates: April 2022—March 2023
 - d. 75 inmates: April 2023—May 2023
 - e. 610 inmates: June 2023—May 2024
 - f. 654 inmates: June 2024—December 2024
- 5.9.32 Offsite, Emergency and Specialty Care:** The Proposer must ensure diagnostic, radiological, medical specialty, and emergency and in-patient hospital services and care are provided.

The Proposer shall make referral arrangements with specialists for the treatment of those inmates with health care problems that may extend beyond the primary care services provided on-site. JCCF reserves the authority to override the staff of the medical unit and initiate emergency offsite care if the medical staff fails to act, cannot reach a consensus on need for offsite care or for the safety and security of inmates, staff or the general public. All referrals shall be coordinated with JCCF for security arrangements.

The Proposer shall be responsible for providing all supplies used or ordered by the specialist, including recommended prosthetics, braces, special shoes, glasses, dentures, hearing aids, orthopedic devices, etc.

If Proposer has any financial interest in any offsite emergency or specialty care, such services should be included in the total bid price and cannot be billed separately per inmate visit.

5.9.33 On-Site Ancillary Services: The Proposer shall utilize on-site facility ancillary services to their fullest extent and shall be responsible for the costs of all on-site laboratory and x-ray services. Proposer will provide toxicology screening and basic health lab screening. Specimens will be collected onsite and sent to a laboratory for testing. All laboratory results will be communicated to the physician within 48 hours after receipt of test results to enable the physician to assess the follow-up care indicated and to screen for discrepancies between the clinical observations and laboratory results. The physician on-call will be notified immediately of all results of STAT ordered tests and abnormal reports. All routine x-rays shall be provided on-site at the facility by utilizing mobile x-ray services. X-rays shall be read by a Board Certified or eligible radiologist and taken by a registered technician. Proposer shall ensure that results are reported to the medical department within 24 hours.

5.9.34 Emergency Services: In accordance with Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318-326. The Proposer shall provide emergency medical services on-site 24 hours per day, seven days per week, 365 days per year. Arrangements must be made for required emergency services beyond on-site capabilities with appropriate community resources. The Proposer shall be responsible for all emergency transportation including ambulance services.

The Proposer will notify the shift supervisor immediately when an inmate needs off site emergency care so JCCF can coordinate security for transport.

Proposer will be responsible for providing emergency treatment to visitors, staff, employees, or subcontractors of the County who become ill or are injured while on the premises at the JCCF. Treatment will consist of stabilization and referral to a personal physician or local hospital.

5.9.35 Medical Department Care: Proposer must ensure that Medical Department care is supervised by a full-time RN, has adequate staff coverage, maintains separate charting and is provided in a setting that meets standards. Nursing rounds and documentation of nursing rounds in inmate's medical record will be done on every shift for all inmates housed in the medical department for medical reasons.

5.9.36 Dental Services: The Proposer must provide the following dental services on-site:

Prevention of dental disease and oral hygiene education,

Dental treatment of acute dental problems such as severe pain, infections, bleeding, or repair of broken dental prosthesis, if necessary for eating.

Referral to a dental specialist if needed, and

Provision for emergency care.

5.9.37 Mental Health Services: The services shall include as a minimum:

Screening for mental health problems on intake as provided in NCCHC, ACA, and TCJS.

Referral to the Proposer's psychiatrist for the detection, diagnosis, and treatment of mental illness.

Crisis intervention and management of acute psychiatric episodes.

Stabilization of the mentally ill and the prevention of psychiatric deterioration in the correctional setting.

Provide on-site programs and counseling to include but not limited to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Anger Management and Substance Abuse counseling.

Assist in the referral and admission to licensed mental health facilities for inmates whose psychiatric needs exceed the treatment of the facility.

Obtaining and documenting informed consent.

Provide appropriate licensed mental health professionals to diagnose any inmates detected at booking of having a suspected mental illness and provide the necessary documentation to the court system of that diagnosis with 24 hours of an inmate's booking. This may be obtained from prior records if within one year of booking. This section is intended for compliance with Texas CCP 16.22.

The Proposer shall ensure inmates referred outside of intake for mental health treatment receive a comprehensive evaluation by a licensed mental health professional. The evaluation shall be completed with three (3) days of the referral request date.

The Proposer shall ensure that a minimum of three (3) qualified physicians meeting the requirements of Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 574 are retained each month to provide the following services upon request of County or Sheriff regarding civil commitments: (1) review the files of, conduct interviews with and evaluate the condition of inmates who have been identified as proposed civil commitment patients; (2) complete Certificates of Medical Examinations and other necessary documents in a timely manner pursuant to the requirements of the Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 574; (3) be available to provide testimony in court in support of the Certificates of the Medical Examinations and other necessary documents.

5.10 Minimum On-Site Staffing Requirements required by the Sheriff:

Position	Contracted (Hours per week)	FTE's
Medical Director/ MD	32	.8
Medical NP/PA	40	1.0
Psych NP/PA	40	1.0
Dentist	30	.75
Day Shift (7am-3pm)		
RN/HSA	40	1.0
RN/DON	40	1.0
RN- Health Assessments	40	1.0
RN- Psychiatric and Mental Health Coordinator	40	1.0
MHP Discharge Planner LPC/LCSW	40	1.0
Administrative Assistant	40	1.0
Medical Records Clerk	40	1.0
Medical Clerk/Lab Tech	40	1.0
Pharmacy Tech	40	1.0
Dental Assistant	30	.75
MHP LPC/LCSW	96	2.4
RN	56	1.40
LVN	168	4.20
EMT	56	1.40
CMA	56	1.40
Evening Shift (3pm-11pm)		
MHP LPC/LCSW	56	1.40
RN	56	1.40
LVN	168	4.2
EMT	56	1.40
CMA	56	1.40
Night Shift (11pm- 7 am)		
MHP LPC/LCSW	56	1.40
RN	56	1.40
EMT	56	1.40
LVN	168	4.2
Total Staffing	1,692	42.30

5.11 Historical Data – Data is based on the time period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. The statistical data, other than inmate population numbers, has been calculated using data provided by the current contracted vendor. Jefferson County and the Sheriff are not responsible for any discrepancies in the data that was provided to them for this section.

Total number of males booked in	8,304
Total number of females booked in	2,449
Total number of inmates in jail over 14 days	3,072
Total physician sick calls	565
Total nurse practitioner sick calls	1,640
Total dental sick calls	1,074
Total LPC visits	7,628
Total nurse sick calls	6,587
Total intake screenings	10,404
Total TB screenings	7,286
Total laboratory specimens collected	3,633
Total X-Ray examinations	342
Total 14-day physicals	3,072
Total dialysis off site	224
Total accidental injuries	62
Total fights	157
Total emergency room visits	142
Total hospital admissions	52
Total ambulance transports	71
Total OB/GYN visits	45
Total oral surgeries	7
Total podiatry visits	12
Total ophthalmology visits	10
Total cardiologists visits	12
Total orthopedic visits	26
Total infectious disease	14
Total general surgery/trauma clinic	2
Total oncology	2

5.12 Statistical Data: Inmates with HIV for each of the following periods:

- a. 41 Inmates with HIV: April 2020 - March 2021
- b. 30 Inmates with HIV: April 2021 - March 2022
- c. 48 Inmates with HIV: April 2022- March 2023
- d. 7 Inmates with HIV: April 2023 - May 2023
- e. 50 Inmates with HIV: June 2023 - May 2024
- f. 34 Inmates with HIV: June 2024 - December 2024

SECTION 6. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

6.1 PROPOSER EXPERIENCE

The Successful Proposer must detail the current corporate experience that they have in administering correctional health care programs.

The proposal must identify all key personnel who are to be part of the proposed Administrative team and detail their experience. The Sheriff reserves the right to approve each member of the team and to request substitutions.

The Proposer must provide descriptions and references for entities in which Proposer is currently providing correctional health care services including the number of inmates being serviced under the contract. The description of experience at each reference listed must be detailed to show that Proposer's corporate experience in correctional health care would be similar to this contract and would qualify the Proposer to meet the requirements of this contract. References must include the names, titles, addresses, and current telephone numbers.

Proposer must list all contracts lost or not renewed in the last five (5) years. Include a contact person and telephone number. Please provide a narrative describing reasons that contract(s) have not been renewed. Offeror must identify any contract(s) from which they have asked to be relieved or any contracts that have been canceled prematurely.

Proposer must provide a listing of fines uncured under contracts in other jurisdictions for non-performance of duties in whole or in part for the last five (5) years.

Proposer must provide a list of all litigation it has been or is currently involved in during the last five years. Include a narrative describing all cases including cases that were settled and the amounts of settlement.

Minimum Qualifications – To be considered for award of this contract, the Respondent **must** meet the following minimum qualifications.

- a. The Proposer must be organized for the sole purpose of providing healthcare services, and have previous experience with proven effectiveness in administering correctional health care programs.
- b. The Proposer must have at least five (5) continuous years of corporate experience in providing healthcare services at medical facilities. Emphasis will be place on those referenced medical/correctional facilities in the State of Texas.
- c. The Proposer must operate in accordance with National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) standards, American Correctional Association (ACA) standards and Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

The Proposer must briefly state why it believes its proposed services best meet the County's needs and RFP requirements, and the Proposer also must concisely describe any additional features, aspects, or advantages of its services in any relevant area not covered elsewhere in its proposal.

The Proposer must demonstrate its ability to provide a health care system specifically for the Facility. It must demonstrate that it has the ability for a thirty (30) day start-up, which it has a proven system of recruiting staff and that it has an adequate support staff in its central office capable of competently supervising and monitoring its operation at the JCCF.

6.2 TYPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY PROPOSER

A. A description of services that may be utilized under this RFP includes:

1. Medical Care
2. Mental Health Care
3. Dental Care
4. Other Health Care Services

6.3 LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Inmate Health Care Firm(s) must comply with all laws, ordinances, and rules and regulations which govern the work specified in this contract.

SECTION 7. PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

7.1 INTRODUCTION TO EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

The proposal evaluation and selection process is detailed in this section, as are other factors, and the format in which the cost response of each proposal must be submitted.

7.2 COST PROPOSAL

The Proposer must utilize the form provided on **PAGE 57 of these specifications** in its submission of a cost proposal in response to this RFP. The cost proposal must be included in each copy of the proposal. Any reworked version of this provided form that is intended to be a substitute for **PAGE 57 of these specifications**, that is provided by a Proposer may be determined as non-responsive, and may result in the proposal's disqualification.

7.3 EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Because of the diversity of the departments and activities of the County, the Purchasing Agent will appoint the Evaluation Committee for this Request for Proposals. The Purchasing Agent may appoint a chairperson and no less than two (2) other members for the committee. Typically, the committee will consist of at least one professional in the task required, a person knowledgeable about procurement practices, and either a representative of the department requesting the project, or the department executing the project. However, this structure is not binding and subject to change at the discretion of the Purchasing Agent. Other members may be appointed to the Evaluation Committee as necessary and appropriate, but the total number of persons committee shall not exceed five (5) persons. Committee appointments shall be in writing and shall briefly describe the scope of the project and, if necessary, the primary disciplines required to accomplish the project in order to assist the committee in developing a list of firms that might best accomplish the work required. Committee membership and project requirements will vary from project to project. Therefore, a firm rated number one for one project could be considered not qualified or ranked lower on another project.

7.4. EVALUATION PROCESS

RFP Submittals that do not conform to the instructions or which do not address all the services as specified within this RFP specifications packet may be eliminated from consideration. However, Jefferson County reserves the right to accept such a submittal if it is determined to be in the best interest of the County.

While Jefferson County appreciates a brief, straight-forward, and concise reply; proposer must fully understand that the evaluation is based on the information provided. Accuracy and completeness are essential. Omissions, ambiguous, and equivocal statements may be construed against the proposer. The proposal document may be incorporated into any contract which results from this RFP, and vendor(s) are cautioned not to make claims or statements it is not prepared to commit to contractually. Failure of the vendor to meet such claims will result in a requirement that the vendor provide resources necessary to meet submitted claims.

The Jefferson County Purchasing Department may initiate discussions with selected vendors; however, discussions may not be initiated by vendors.

The Jefferson County Purchasing Department expects to conduct discussions with vendor's representatives authorized to contractually obligate the vendor with an offer. **Vendors shall not contact any Jefferson County personnel during the RFP process without the express permission from the Jefferson County Purchasing Agent. The Purchasing Agent will disqualify any vendor who has made site visits, contacted Jefferson County personnel, or distributed any literature without authorization from the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.**

All correspondence relating to this RFP, from advertisement to award shall be sent to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department. All presentations and/or meetings between Jefferson County and the vendor relating to this RFP shall be coordinated by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.

Selected vendors may be expected to make a presentation/product demonstration to an Evaluation Committee and Commissioners' Court. Proposals, vendor presentations, and product/service evaluations may develop into

negotiating sessions with the vendor(s) as selected by the Evaluation Committee. Jefferson County expects to conduct negotiations with vendor representatives authorized to contractually obligate the vendor with an offer. If vendor is unable to agree to contract terms and conditions, Jefferson County reserves the right to terminate contract negotiations with that vendor and initiate negotiations with another vendor. In addition to a presentation, visits by the Evaluation Committee to representative vendor client sites may be conducted where the proposed solution can be demonstrated in a production environment.

7.5 PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA:

a. RESPONSIVENESS – 15%

This refers to the proposal's complete responsiveness to all written specifications and requirements contained in this RFP.

b. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN – 25%

Emphasis is on the efficiency and comprehensiveness of the methods to be used in performing the services requested by this RFP and in managing the project.

c. PROPOSER QUALIFICATIONS – 25%

This refers to the overall qualifications of Proposer and its past experience in providing similar services to those requested by this RFP. It also refers to an evaluation of the quality of Proposer's performance on previous local government projects.

d. PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS – 15%

This refers to the number and qualifications of the professional personnel who would be assigned to the job. Consideration will be given to the percentage of time that each would spend on the project. It also refers to an evaluation of the quality of the performance by each member of the Proposer's project team on previous projects with the County and similar projects.

e. COST OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – 20%

This is the expected amount your firm would be compensated for services provided to the County. The County will consider hourly rates, retainer amounts, flat fees or other methods. While this will be an important factor, it will be considered as just one factor in the evaluation and selection process.

**PROPOSER: INSERT ALL ADDENDA BEHIND THIS PAGE.
PLEASE BE SURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN, ATTEST, AND DATE EACH ADDENDUM.**

COST PROPOSAL FORM

Price and Verification of Proposal

The (name of Offeror) _____ agrees to furnish medical and other health services to Jefferson County, Texas, for the Jefferson County Correctional Facility in accordance with its Request for Proposal (RFP) dated February 18, 2025, and addenda (if any) issued prior to the date of this proposal and identified as Addenda Number(s) _____, and all accompanying forms and attachments, for the sums stated hereafter.

7.1 Base Proposal: For the Two Year Period Beginning June 2025 and ending May 2027. (In words and numbers below):

- A. Year 1 Base Proposal _____ (\$ _____)
- B. Year 2 Base Proposal _____ (\$ _____)

7.1.1 The above price is based on an average daily population (ADP) of eight hundred fifty (850) inmates during a billing period. If the ADP increases or decreases by one hundred fifty (150) inmates, the price will remain the same. This will be referred to as the basic adjusted price. If the ADP increases by greater than one hundred fifty (150) for three (3) consecutive months, the price will be increased for that billing period at the rate of \$ _____ per inmate in excess of the basic adjusted price. If the ADP decreases by greater than one hundred fifty (150) for three (3) consecutive months, the price will be decreased for that billing period at the rate of \$ _____ per inmate in excess of the basic adjusted price.

7.1.2 The above price includes the aggregate cap of \$1,000,000 divided by 12 months (\$83,333.33 per month). In the event that the cap is not met, the unspent money will be credited back to the County.

7.1.3 By submission of this proposal, the offeror certifies that:

- a. Prices have been arrived at independently, without consultation or communication for the purpose of restricting competition.
- b. No attempt has been made, or will be made, to induce any other person or firm to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.
- c. The person signing this proposal certifies that they are authorized to represent the company and is legally responsible for the decisions with respect to price, supporting documentation or other statements made in response to this Jefferson County RFP.

7.2 Alternates:

The following alternates are offered as part of this proposal:

7.2.1 NONE: _____

7.2.2 Alternates That Will Not Affect the Price:

**Price and Verification of Proposal
(Continued)**

7.2.3 Alternates That Will Affect the Price:

[Offeror should number and list above any alternates it wishes to offer **and** has identified in detail in the body of its proposal. Further, the offeror should briefly identify the alternate and indicate whether the lump sum price (A) is to be increased (and if so, the amount of increase) for the initial two-year term, or decreased (and amount) for that period, or if it will not be affected by the alternate).

7.3 To extend the term of the contract for three (3) additional one (1) year periods, beginning May of 2027.

In the event it is awarded the contract pursuant to its proposal dated _____, in response to the Jefferson County RFP to provide medical and other health services at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, Beaumont, Texas, and the term is extended as stated above for up to an additional three one-year periods, **the price, starting with the year two base proposal price as stated in "B" above shall be (☐ increased) or (☐ decreased) each year at renewal by the following percentage (in words and numbers below):**

_____ (\$_____)

Offeror: (Company Name) _____

Authorized Signature (Typed) _____

(Signed) _____

Company Address: _____

Phone Number _____ Fax Number _____

Corporation (); State of Incorporation _____

Partnership (); Other _____

Federal Employer Identification Number: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone Number: _____

**Price and Verification of Proposal
(Continued)**

7.4 Line Itemization of Base Proposal (A)

Bottom line total should agree with base price as stated under A. Base Proposal

The Offeror (Name of Company): _____ herein submits its breakdown of its proposal price, as required by the Jefferson County RFP for medical and other health care services to be provided at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, Beaumont, Texas, for the two-year period **beginning June, 2025** In the event that there is a discrepancy between the bottom line total(s) as stated in this Line Itemization and the amounts stated under "A. Year 1 Base Proposal" and "B. Year 2 Base Proposal", the latter shall govern.

Name of Offeror: _____

Typed Signature: _____

Signed: _____

(Offeror may use whatever format it wishes. Information can be presented here or in a separate attachment. If choosing the latter, please note that fact, on this form).

REQUIRED FORM

**Proposer: Please complete this form
and include with Proposal Submission.**

NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

In consideration of Jefferson County retaining the services of a consultant and because of the sensitivity of certain information which may come under the care and control of Consultant, both parties agree that all information regarding the County or any selected County agency subject to this Contract; or gathered, produced, or derived from this project (Confidential Information) must remain confidential subject to release only by permission of the County, and more specifically agree as follows:

Media releases pertaining to this RFP and/or any resulting contract, or the services to which they relate, will not be made without the prior written consent of the County, and then only in accordance with explicit written instructions from the County. The disclosure of the contents of proposals prior to the award of a contract under this RFP, or any other violation of this section, may result in disqualification.

1. The Information may be used by Consultant only to assist Consultant in connection with its engagement with the County.
2. Consultant will not, at any time, use the Information in any fashion, form, or manner except in its capacity as independent consultant to the County.
3. Consultant agrees to maintain the confidentiality of any and all deliverables resulting from this Contract in the same manner that it protects the confidentiality of its own proprietary products of like kind.
4. The Information may not be copied or reproduced without the County's written consent.
5. All materials made available to Consultant, including copies thereof, must be returned to County upon the first to occur of; (a) completion of the project, or (b) request by the County.
6. The foregoing must not prohibit or limit Consultant use of the information (including, but not limited to, ideas, concepts, know-how, techniques and methodologies) (a) previously known to it, (b) independently developed by it, (c) acquired by it from a third party, or (d) which is or becomes part of the public domain through no breach to Consultant of this agreement.
7. This agreement shall become effective as of the date Information is first made available to Consultant and must survive the contract and be a continuing requirement.
8. The breach of this Nondisclosure Agreement by Consultant shall entitle the County to immediately terminate the Agreement upon written notice to Contractor for such breach. The parties acknowledge that the measure of damages in the event of a breach of this Nondisclosure Agreement may be difficult or impossible to calculate, depending on the nature of the breach. Regardless of whether the County elects to terminate the Agreement upon the breach hereof, the County may require Consultant to pay to the County the sum of \$1,000 for each breach as liquidated damages. This amount is not intended to be in the nature of a penalty, but is intended to be a reasonable estimate of the amount of damages to the County in the event of a breach hereof by Consultant. Comptroller does not waive any right to seek additional relief, either equitable or otherwise, concerning any breach of this Agreement.

[Printed Name of Consultant]

By: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer:

**Please complete this form and
include with proposal submission.**

RESPONDENT INFORMATION FORM

Instructions: Complete the form below. Please provide legible, accurate, and complete contact information.
PLEASE PRINT.

RFP Number & Name: RFP 25-002/CG Inmate HealthCare Services for Jefferson County Correctional Facility

Proposer's Company/Business Name: _____

Proposer's TAX ID Number: _____

If Applicable: HUB Vendor No. _____ DBE Vendor No. _____

Contact Person: _____ **Title:** _____

Phone Number (with area code): _____

Alternate Phone Number if available (with area code): _____

Fax Number (with area code): _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address (Please provide a physical address for bid bond return, if applicable):

Address

City, State, Zip Code

<p>REQUIRED FORM</p>

<p><u>Proposer:</u></p>

<p>Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.</p>

VENDOR REFERENCES FORM

Proposer: Please list at least three (3) companies or governmental agencies (preferably a municipality) where the same or similar products and/or services as contained in this specification package were recently provided.

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer: Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.

REFERENCE ONE

Government/Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person and Title: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____ Contract Period: _____

Scope of Work: _____

REFERENCE TWO

Government/Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person and Title: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____ Contract Period: _____

Scope of Work: _____

REFERENCE THREE

Government/Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person and Title: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____ Contract Period: _____

Scope of Work: _____

SIGNATURE PAGE

As permitted under Article 4413 (32c) V.A.C.S., other governmental entities may wish to participate under the same terms and conditions contained in this contract (i.e., piggyback). In the event any other entity participates, all purchase orders will be issued directly from and shipped directly to the entity requiring supplies/services. Jefferson County shall not be held responsible for any orders placed, deliveries made or payment for supplies/services ordered by another entity. Each entity reserves the right to determine their participation in this contract.

Would Respondent be willing to allow other governmental entities to piggyback off this contract, if awarded, under the same terms and conditions?Yes ☐ No ☐

This Proposal/RFP Response shall remain in effect for **90 Days** from RFP opening and shall be exclusive of federal excise and state and local sales tax (exempt).

The undersigned agrees, if this proposal is accepted, to furnish any and all items upon which prices are offered, at the price and upon the terms and conditions contained in the Request for Statements of Qualification, Conditions of RFP Response, Terms of Contract, and Specifications and all other items made a part of the accepted contract.

The undersigned affirms that they are duly authorized to execute the contract, that this company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual has not prepared this RFP response in collusion with any other Respondent, and that the contents of this RFP response as to prices, terms or conditions of said response have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any other RFP Respondent or to any other person(s) engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this RFP. And further, that neither the Respondent nor their employees nor agents have been for the past six (6) months directly nor indirectly concerned in any pool or agreement or combination to control the price of goods or services on, nor to influence any person to respond or not to respond thereon.

RFP Respondent (Entity Name)

Signature

Street & Mailing Address

Print Name

City, State & Zip

Date Signed

Telephone Number

Fax Number

E-mail Address

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer:

**Please complete this form and
include with proposal submission.**

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

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.

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. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official *(Please Print)*

Date

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer:

**Please complete this form and
include with proposal submission.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether sub-awardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity 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 a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the sub-awardee, e.g., the first sub-awardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Sub-awardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352
(See reverse for public burden disclosure)

Type of Federal Action: a. contract ____ b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	Status of Federal Action: a. bid/offer/application ____ b. initial award c. post-award	Report Type: a. initial filing ____ b. material change
Name and Address of Reporting Entity: ____ Prime ____ Sub-awardee Tier____, if Known: Congressional District, if known:		If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Sub-awardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Congressional District, if known:
Federal Department/Agency:	7. Federal Program Name/Description: CFDA Number, if applicable: _____	
Federal Action Number, if known:	9. Award Amount, if known: \$	
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, MI):	b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI):	
11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____	
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CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE
For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm>. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

- (2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed;

or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

- (a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);

(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or

(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

- (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

- (1) the date that the vendor:

(A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or

(B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

- (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:

(A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);

(B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or

(C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity		FORM CIQ
<p>This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.</p> <p>This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).</p> <p>By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.</p> <p>A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.</p>		OFFICE USE ONLY
1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.		Date Received
2 <input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)		
3 Name of local government officer about whom the information in this section is being disclosed. _____ Name of Officer This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C, & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the vendor has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary. A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No D. Describe each employment or business and family relationship with the local government officer named in this section.		
4 _____ Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity _____ Date		

Adopted 8/7/2015

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Proposer:

Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER
CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT – OFFICE USE ONLY**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT		FORM CIS
<p>This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.</p> <p>This is the notice to the appropriate local governmental entity that the following local government officer has become aware of facts that require the officer to file this statement in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code.</p>		OFFICE USE ONLY
1	Name of Local Government Officer	Date Received _____
2	Office Held	
3	Name of vendor described by Sections 176.001(7) and 176.003(a), Local Government Code	
4	Description of the nature and extent of employment or other business relationship with vendor named in item 3	
5	List gifts accepted by the local government officer and any family member, if aggregate value of the gifts accepted from vendor named in item 3 exceeds \$100 during the 12-month period described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B).	
Date Gift Accepted _____ Description of Gift _____		
Date Gift Accepted _____ Description of Gift _____		
Date Gift Accepted _____ Description of Gift _____		
(attach additional forms as necessary)		
6	AFFIDAVIT	
<p>I swear under penalty of perjury that the above statement is true and correct. I acknowledge that the disclosure applies to each family member (as defined by Section 176.001(2), Local Government Code) of this local government officer. I also acknowledge that this statement covers the 12-month period described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), Local Government Code.</p>		
_____ Signature of Local Government Officer		
AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE		
Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said _____, this the _____ day of _____, 20 _____, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.		
_____ Signature of officer administering oath Printed name of officer administering oath Title of officer administering oath		

Adopted 8/7/2015

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GOOD FAITH EFFORT (GFE)

Determination Checklist

This information must be submitted with your proposal.

Instructions: In order to determine if a "Good Faith Effort" was made in soliciting HUBs for subcontracting opportunities, the following checklist and supporting documentation shall be completed by the Prime Contractor/Consultant, and returned with the Prime Contractor/ Consultant's bid. This list contains the **minimum** efforts that should be put forth by the Prime Contractor/Consultant when attempting to achieve or exceed the goals of HUB Subcontractor participation. The Prime Contractor/Consultant may extend his/her efforts in soliciting HUB Subcontractor participation beyond what is listed below.

Did the Prime Contractor/Consultant . . .

- | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 1. To the extent practical, and consistent with standard and prudent industry standards, divide the contract work into the smallest feasible portions, to allow for maximum HUB Subcontractor participation? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 2. Notify in writing a reasonable number of HUBs, allowing sufficient time for effective participation of the planned work to be subcontracted? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 3. Provide HUBs that were genuinely interested in bidding on a subcontractor, adequate information regarding the project (i.e., plans, specifications, scope of work, bonding and insurance requirements, and a point of contact within the Prime Contractor/Consultant's organization)? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 4. Negotiate in good faith with interested HUBs, and not reject bids from HUBs that qualify as lowest and responsive bidders? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 5. Document reasons HUBs were rejected? Was a written rejection notice, including the reason for rejection, provided to the rejected HUBs? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 6. If Prime Contractor/Consultant has zero (0) HUB participation, please explain the reasons why. |

If "No" was selected, please explain and include any pertinent documentation with your proposal.

If necessary, please use a separate sheet to answer the above questions.

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Signature

Title

Date

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Proposer:

**Please complete this form and
include with proposal submission.**

Notice of Intent (NOI) to Subcontract with Historically Underutilized Business (HUB)

This information must be submitted with your proposal.

Proposer intends to utilize subcontractors/sub-consultants in the fulfillment of this contract (if awarded).

☐ Yes ☐ No

Instructions for Prime Contractor/Consultant: Proposer shall submit this form with the bid; however, the information below may be submitted after contract award, but prior to beginning performance on the contract. Please submit one form for each HUB Subcontractor/Sub-consultant with proper signatures, per the terms and conditions of your contract.

Contractor Name: _____ HUB: p Yes p No

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Project Title & No.: _____

Prime Contract Amount: \$ _____

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____

HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): _____

Certifying Agency: ☐ Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. ☐ Jefferson County ☐ Tx Unified Certification Prog.

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

Printed Name of Contractor Representative

Signature of Representative

Date

Printed Name of HUB

Signature of Representative

Date

NOTE: NOTHING ON THIS NOTICE OF INTENT FORM IS INTENDED TO CONFER ANY RIGHTS, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, TO ANY THIRD PARTIES.

Pre-Approval for Subcontractor Substitutions must be obtained from the Jefferson County Purchasing Agent's Representative. The "HUB Subcontractor/Sub-consultant Change Form" must be completed and faxed to 409-835-8456.

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Subcontracting Participation Declaration Form**

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This information must be submitted with your proposal.

Proposer intends to utilize subcontractors/sub-consultants in the fulfillment of this contract (if awarded).

☐ Yes ☐ No

Prime Contractor: _____ HUB: ☐ Yes ☐ No

HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Project Title & No.: _____ IFB/RFP No.: _____

Total Contract: \$ _____ Total HUB Subcontract(s): \$ _____

Construction HUB Goals: 12.8% MBE: _____ % 12.6% WBE: _____ %

Sub-goals: 1.7 African-American, 9.7% Hispanic, 0.7% Native American, 0.8% Asian American.

Use these goals as a guide to diversify.

FOR HUB OFFICE USE ONLY:

Verification date HUB Program Office reviewed and verified HUB Sub information Date: _____ Initials: _____

PART I. HUB SUBCONTRACTOR DISCLOSURE

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____

HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): _____

Certifying Agency: ☐ Texas Bldg & Procurement Comm. ☐ Texas Unified Certification Prog.

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

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HUB Subcontractor Disclosure

PART I: Continuation Sheet (Duplicate as Needed)

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____

HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): _____

Certifying Agency: ☐ Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. ☐ Jefferson County ☐ Tx Unified Certification Prog.

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____

HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): _____

Certifying Agency: ☐ Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. ☐ Jefferson County ☐ Tx Unified Certification Prog.

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

**All HUB Subcontractor Participation may be verified with the
HUB Subcontractor(s) listed on PART I.**

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PART II: STATEMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE FOR NOT MEETING HUB SUBCONTRACTING GOALS

Please complete Good Faith Effort (GFE) Checklist and attach any supporting documentation.

Our firm was unable to meet the HUB goals for this project for the following reasons:

- ☐ All subcontractors to be utilized are "Non-HUBs." (Complete Part III)
- ☐ HUBs were solicited but did not respond.
- ☐ HUBs solicited were not competitive.
- ☐ HUBs were unavailable for the following trade(s):
- ☐ Other: _____

Was the Jefferson County HUB Office contacted for assistance in locating HUBs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

PART III: DISCLOSURE OF OTHER "NON-HUB" SUBCONTRACTS

The Proposer shall use this area to provide a listing of all "Non-HUB" Subcontractors, including suppliers, that will perform under this project. A list of those "Non-HUB" Subcontractors the Proposer selects, after bid submission, shall be provided to the Purchasing Office not later than five (5) calendar days after being notified that Proposer is the apparent low Proposer. A list of those "Non-HUB" Subcontractors that are selected after contract award must be provided immediately after their selection.

Subcontractor Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

Subcontractor Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

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Subcontractor Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

Subcontractor Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Phone (with area code): _____ Fax (with area code): _____

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Percentage of Prime Contract: _____ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: _____

I hereby certify that I have read the *HUB Program Instructions and Information*, truthfully completed all applicable parts of this form, and **attached any necessary support documentation as required**. I fully understand that intentionally falsifying information on this document may result in my not receiving a contract award or termination of any resulting contract.

Name (print or type): _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

E-mail address: _____

Contact person that will be in charge of invoicing for this project:

Name (print or type): _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

E-mail address: _____

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RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION/TAX FORM

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2252.001 *et seq.*, as amended, Jefferson County requests Resident Certification. §2252.001 *et seq.* of the Government Code provides some restrictions on the awarding of governmental contracts; pertinent provisions of §2252.001 are stated below:

(3) "Non-resident RFP Respondent" refers to a person who is not a resident.

(4) "Resident RFP Respondent" refers to a person whose principal place of business is in this state, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in this state.

☐ I certify that _____ [company name] is a Resident Respondent of Texas as defined in Government Code §2252.001.

☐ I certify that _____ [company name] is a Non-Resident Respondent as defined in Government Code §2252.001 and our principal place of business is _____ (city and state).

Taxpayer Identification Number (T.I.N.):	
Company Name submitting bid/proposal/response:	
Mailing address:	
If you are an individual, list the names and addresses of any partnership of which you are a general partner:	

Property: List all taxable property owned by you or above partnerships in Jefferson County.

Jefferson County Tax Acct. No.*	Property address or location**

* This is the property amount identification number assigned by the Jefferson County Appraisal District.

** For real property, specify the property address or legal description. For business property, specify the address where the property is located. For example, office equipment will normally be at your office, but inventory may be stored as a warehouse or other location.

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Proposer:

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HOUSE BILL 89 VERIFICATION

I, _____, the undersigned representative of (company or business name) _____ (heretofore referred to as company) being an adult over the age of eighteen (18) years of age, after being duly sworn by the undersigned notary, do hereby depose and verify under oath that the company named above, under the provisions of Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code Chapter 2270:

1. Does not boycott Israel currently; and
2. Will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

Pursuant to Section 2270.002, Texas Government Code:

1. **"Boycott Israel"** means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made ordinary business purposes; and
2. **"Company"** means a for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or an limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of those entities or business association that exist to make a profit.

Signature of Company Representative

Date

On this _____ day of _____, 20____, personally appeared

_____, the above-named person, who after by me being duly sworn, did swear and confirm that the above is true and correct.

Notary Seal

Notary Signature

Date

REQUIRED FORM

Proposer:

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SENATE BILL 252 CERTIFICATION

On this day, I, Deborah L. Clark, Purchasing Agent for Jefferson County, Texas, pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Section 2252.152 and Section 2252.153, certify that I did review the website of the Comptroller of the State of Texas concerning the listing of companies that is identified under Section 806.051, Section 807.051, or Section 2253.253 and I have ascertained that the below named company is not contained on said listing of companies which do business with Iran, Sudan, or any Foreign Terrorist Organization.

Company Name

IFB/RFP/RFQ number

Certification check performed by:

Purchasing Representative

Date

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RESPONDENT'S AFFIDAVIT

I have carefully examined the Request for Proposal Specifications, and any other documents accompanying or made a part of this Request for Proposals.

I hereby propose to furnish the goods or services specified in the Request for Proposal. I agree that my proposal will remain firm for a period of up to **90 days** in order to allow Jefferson County adequate time to evaluate the qualifications submitted.

I verify that all information contained in this proposal is truthful to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that I am duly authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the firm as its act and deed and that the firm is ready, willing and able to perform if awarded the contract.

I further certify, under oath, that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, connection, discussion, or collusion with any other person, firm or corporation submitting a proposal for the same product or service: no officer, employee or agent of Jefferson County or any other Respondent is interested in said proposal: and that the undersigned executed this Respondent's Certification with full knowledge and understanding of the matters therein contained and was duly authorized to do so.

NAME OF BUSINESS

BY:

SIGNATURE

NAME & TITLE, TYPED OR PRINTED

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

()

TELEPHONE NUMBER

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this _____ day of
_____, 20__

Notary Public

State of _____

My Commission Expires: _____

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