

## **HYDE COUNTY REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANT PREPARATION SERVICES**

Hyde County is seeking professional services for the preparation of a CDBG application in the Infrastructure program offered by the Department of Commerce. The project is anticipated to include housing related activities as developed during the application process. The grant request is anticipated to be an amount up to \$1,200,000.

Hyde County is soliciting proposals for application preparation to assist the County in the preparation of this project in compliance with all applicable requirements under the North Carolina CDBG Program. The fee for grant application will be paid with CDBG funds if awarded.

### **Scope of Services:**

Grant application preparation services to include meeting with the County to determine the needs of the County as related to the activities of the grant. The scope of work shall include development of the application, site visits as needed, preparation of the proposed budget, intake of application information, development of application forms and documents, assistance with preparation of public hearings, gathering of all necessary application attachments and forms and assimilation of the final application document to include timely delivery of the application to the Department of Commerce.

Grant preparation services shall include, but are not limited to, standard tasks necessary for the implementation of the project in conformance with the following CDBG compliance areas:

1. Environmental Review Compliance and Release of Funds and other Funding Conditions;
2. Citizen Participation Compliance;
3. Fair Housing Compliance;
4. Equal Employment and Procurement Compliance;
5. Section 3 Compliance;
6. Section 504 Compliance;
7. Completion of Language Access Plan;
8. Completion of Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan;
9. Complaints and Grievance Procedures for Compliance Plans;
10. Labor Standards Compliance;
11. Completion of all required reports and documentation;
12. Assistance with Financial Reimbursements Forms; and
13. Setting up and managing official records;

The services will not include the disbursement or account of funds distributed by the County's financial officer, legal advice, fiscal audits, or assistance with activities not related to the CDBG project.

### **Proposal Submission:**

Submissions provided to the County shall include at a minimum:

1. Individual or Firm Information: the consultant or firm's legal name, address, email, and telephone number, the principal(s) of the firm and their experience and qualifications;

2. CDBG Grant Preparation Experience: description of specialized experience and technical competence of the staff to be assigned to the project with respect to CDBG grant administration, description of firm's prior experience, including any similar projects (in particular those funded by CDBG), size of community, location, total construction cost, and name of local official knowledgeable regarding the firm's performance. Include at least three references;
3. Consultant / Firm Capability: description of firm's current work activities, capability of carrying out all aspects of CDBG related activities, and firm's anticipated availability during the term of the project;
4. Cost of Services: Indicate a fee for service and explanation of the basis for the fee;
5. Documentation of compliance with state and federal debarment/ eligibility requirements;
6. Documentation of Section 3 Business status.

**Proposal Evaluation Criteria:**

Proposals for grant administrative services will be evaluated by a Selection Committee. Proposals will be considered on an equal competitive basis. The following criteria will be used in the evaluation process:

1. General Qualifications, Competence and Reputation of Firm or Individual Consultant	20 points
2. Prior CDBG Infrastructure Grant Experience of Firm or Individual Consultant	20 points
3. Qualifications of Actively Involved Staff (assigned staff members of Firm or Consultant)	25 points
4. Ability to Address Local Needs	10 points
5. Availability	10 points
6. Cost of Services	10 points
7. Qualifications as a Section 3 Business	5 points

Upon completion of the review, the Committee will make its recommendation to the County for approval.

The above information should be submitted no later than September 14, 2018 at 5:00 p.m., to Kris Cahoon Noble, County Manager, Hyde County, PO Box 188, Swan Quarter, NC 27885, or delivered to same at 30 Oyster Creek Road, Swan Quarter, NC 27885. For more information, contact Rosemary Johnson, Administrative Assistant, at 252.926-4178.

Hyde County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and invites the submission of proposals from minority and women-owned firms. Hyde County invites the submission of proposals from a certified Section 3 business concern.

This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request. Please contact Rosemary Johnson at 252/926-4178 or at 30 Oyster Creek Road, Swan Quarter, NC, for accommodations for this request.

Esta información está disponible en español o en cualquier otro idioma bajo petición. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Rosemary Johnson al 252/926-4178 o en 30 Oyster Creek Road, Swan Quarter, NC, de alojamiento para esta solicitud.