

Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR LEAD-BASED PAINT DETECTION
City of Capitola Housing Rehabilitation Program

August 28, 2015

I. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

Certified eligible contractors are invited to respond to this RFP for Lead-Based Paint Detection Services, including, on-site Inspection/Assessment, Testing, Work Plan Development and Project Monitoring Services.

II. BACKGROUND

The City of Capitola has received a federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to provide rehabilitation assistance for income-eligible owner-occupants of single-family homes and mobile homes. The program is being implemented by the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz. As required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), municipalities using CDBG funds to rehabilitate residential properties must identify lead-based paint and make every attempt to abate found substances for properties with construction prior to 1978. It is the intention of the City to enter into a contract with the awarded contractor for a period of one (1) year, which may be extended by an additional two (2) years. However, an award of contract does not guarantee renewal or extension of the contract term.

III. SCOPE OF SERVICES & COST ESTIMATE

As requested by the Housing Authority, the Lead-based Paint Detection Contractor (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor"), will be provide lead-based paint inspection and detection for properties constructed prior to 1978. The Contractor will conduct a site visit to provide lead-based paint testing, and if lead-based paint is found, prepare specifications and work plan for remediation. Should the rehabilitation project move forward, the Contractor will monitor the lead-based paint abatement work and provide required documentation and reporting ensuring that all properties were tested, abated and lead-based paint properly disposed.

Please provide proposed Cost Estimates for each of the following tasks:

- A. Site Review and Lead-Based Paint Testing & Assessment
- B. If LBP found: Preparation of Lead-Based Paint Abatement Work Plan
- C. If project goes forward: Monitoring, Final Inspection & Reporting

Services will be provided on an as-needed basis, as directed by the Housing Authority.

IV. CERTIFICATIONS

Contractors shall be properly licensed in accordance with federal regulations and the laws of the State of California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA). In accordance with the

Department of Health Services for Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor and Project Monitor, all project coordinators associated with contractors must be registered with the State of California and provide evidence of current certifications. Contractor shall maintain required licenses and certifications in good standing, for the duration of the contract. **NOTE:** Proposals submitted in response to the RFP without evidence/proof of current required licenses and certifications shall be declared non-responsive and ineligible for further consideration.

The activities of the Contractor shall be governed by the following federal and state statutes and regulations: Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations under Part 35 (24 CFR 35); Title X - 42 U.S.C. 4852 (d)-Joint HUD/EPA Regulations governing Lead-based Paint Hazard Reduction; 40 CFR 745- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Lead-based Paint Abatement Notification Requirements; Title IV – Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA, 15 U.S.C. 2681–2692, as amended; Title 17, California Code of Regulations Appendix K-Lead-based Paint Hazards Safe Work Practices Accreditation and Certification; and; 29 CFR 1926.59 – OSHA Hazard Communication Requirements.

V. SELECTION PROCESS

City staff and the Housing Authority will review all RFP submittals. The RFP will be judged on the following criteria:

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| 1. | Qualifications, References and Experience | (30 Points) |
| 2. | Understanding of the Needs in RFP & City of Capitola | (20 Points) |
| 3. | Ability to Provide Timely and Professional service | (20 points) |
| 4. | Price / Hourly Rates | (30 Points) |

VI. SUBMITTAL DEADLINE AND INSTRUCTIONS

All proposals are due no later than 5:00 pm, Friday, September 10, 2015.

Proposals should include: Statement of Qualifications, Work Plan/Cost Estimates per task in Section III, Name, Address, Telephone number, Fax number, Email address, License number/type, Copy of worker's comp policy and General Liability policy, References.

Please submit one (1) copy of your Proposal in a sealed envelope to the Housing Authority office. The envelope shall have the following label:

Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz
ATT: Martin Gomez
2931 Mission St.
Santa Cruz, CA 95062
SUBJECT: Lead Based Paint

Please contact Martin Gomez at 841-454-5952 with questions.

LATE SUBMITTALS, ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS OR FAXED SUBMITTALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. NO EXCEPTIONS.

EXHIBIT A – FEDERAL PROVISIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

FEDERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

During the performance of the contract, the Contractor must agree to comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations including but not limited to the following:

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

The work to be performed under this contract is on a project assisted under a program providing direct federal financial assistance from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and subject to 24 CFR 85.36(e). CITY hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged, minority and women's business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award. Minority and women-owned and operated businesses encouraged to apply.

SECTION 3:

The work to be performed under this contract is on a project assisted under a program providing direct federal financial assistance from the HUD, Community Development Block Grant Program, and is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 USC 1701u. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to low and moderate income persons residing within the project area and that the contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to eligible business concerns which are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the area of the project. Regulations for implementing the Section 3 clause are contained in 24 CFR 135, as amended, and as specified in the project specifications.

NON-DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE: During the performance of this Agreement, Contractor and its subcontractors shall not unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), mental disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), age (over 40), marital status, and denial of family care leave. Contractor and subcontractors shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment. Contractor and subcontractors shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code §12990 (a-f) et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 7285 et seq.). The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code Section 12990 (a-f), set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, are incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full. Contractor and its subcontractors shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other Agreement.

Contractor shall include the nondiscrimination and compliance provisions of this clause in all subcontracts to perform work under the Agreement.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY: During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

1. The Contractor will comply with Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965 entitled Equal Employment Opportunity as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 1967 as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR chapter 60).
2. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated equally during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment upgrading, demotion, 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 by the City Setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
3. 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 their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
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 by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under Section 202 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
5. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the

rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

6. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order No.11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order No.11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

7. The Contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) 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 No. 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 may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: *Provided, however*, that in the event the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

8. The Contractor shall file, and shall cause each of his subcontractors to file, Compliance Reports with the contracting agency or the Secretary of Labor as may be directed. Compliance Reports shall be filed within such times and shall contain such information as to the practices, policies, programs, and employment policies, programs, and employment statistics of the contractor and each subcontractor, and shall be in such form, as the Secretary of Labor may prescribe.

9. Bidders or prospective contractors or subcontractors may be required to state whether they have participated in any previous contract subject to the provisions of this Order, or any preceding similar Executive order, and in that event to submit, on behalf of themselves and their proposed subcontractors, Compliance Reports prior to or as an initial part of their bid or negotiation of a contract.

10. Whenever the Contractor or subcontractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other Contract or understanding with a labor union or an agency referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or training for such workers, the Compliance Report shall include such information as to such labor union's or agency's practices and policies affecting compliance as the Secretary of Labor may prescribe: *Provided*, That to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of a labor union or an agency referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or training and such labor union or agency shall refuse to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the Secretary of Labor as part of its Compliance Report and shall set forth what efforts he has made to obtain such information.

11. The Secretary of Labor may direct that any bidder or prospective contractor or subcontractor shall submit, as part of his Compliance Report, a statement in writing, signed by an authorized officer or agent on behalf of any labor union or any agency referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or other training, with which the bidder or prospective contractor deals, with supporting information, to the effect that the signer's practices and policies do not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin, and that the signer either will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the policy and provisions of this order or that it consents and agrees that recruitment, employment, and the terms and conditions of employment under the proposed contract shall be in accordance with the purposes and provisions of the order. In the event that the union or the agency shall refuse to execute such a statement, the Compliance Report shall so certify and set forth what efforts have been made to secure such a statement and such additional factual material as the Secretary of Labor may require.

12. The Contractor will cause the foregoing provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts for work covered by this Agreement so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor, provided that the foregoing provisions shall not apply to contracts or subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS, OFFICERS, OR EMPLOYEES OF CONTRACTORS, MEMBERS OF LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, OR OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Pursuant to 24 CFR 570.611, no member, officer, or employee of the Grantee, or its designees or agents, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the program is situated, and no other public official of such locality or localities who exercise or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to CDBG activities assisted under this part, or who are in a position to participate in a decision-making process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a financial interest or benefit from a CDBG-assisted activity, or have a financial interest in any contract, subcontract or agreement with respect to a CDBG-assisted activity or its proceeds, either for themselves or those with whom they have business or immediate family ties, during their tenure or for one (1) year

thereafter. The Grantee shall incorporate, or cause to be incorporated, in all such contracts or subcontracts a provision prohibiting such interest pursuant to the purposes of this Section.

INSURANCE:

Maintenance, if so required by law, unemployment insurance, disability insurance and liability insurance, which is reasonable to compensate any person, firm, or corporation, who may be injured or damaged by the contractor, or any subcontractor in performing the grant activity(ies) or any part of it.

DISADVANTAGED/MINORITY/WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FEDERAL REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS UNDER 24 CFR 85.36(e):

The Contractor will take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

Affirmative steps shall include:

- Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources
- Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
- Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
- Using the services/assistance of the Small Business Administration (SBA), and the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) of the Department of Commerce.

COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK" ACT (18 U.S.C. 874):

Contractor shall comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3).

COMPLIANCE WITH ALL FEDERAL LABOR STANDARD PROVISIONS: Contractor shall comply with all provisions contained in the form HUD-4010, Federal Labor Standards Provisions.

COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 103 AND 107 OF THE CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT (40 U.S.C. 327-330):

Contractor will comply with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-330) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5). Requires the contracting officer to insert the clauses set forth in 29 CFR part 5, Construction contracts awarded by grantees and subgrantees in excess of \$2000, and in excess of \$2500 for other contracts which involve the employment of mechanics or laborers)

REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO DATA AND DESIGN:

All data and design and engineering work created under this Agreement shall be owned by the City and shall not be subject to copyright protection. The rights to any invention which is developed in the course of this Agreement shall be the property of the City.

REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO REPORTING:

The City, State CDBG, HUD and the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives shall be granted access to any books, documents, papers and records of Contractor which are directly pertinent the contract.

COMPLIANCE WITH CLEAN AIR ACT AND CLEAN WATER ACT:

Contractor shall comply with all applicable standards, orders and requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)).

1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable standards, orders and requirements issued under Section 508 of the Clean Air Act (33 U.S.C. 1368).
2. Contractor shall comply with Executive Order 11738 and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR Part 15).

COMPLIANCE WITH ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871):

The Contractor shall comply with the 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 (Pub. L. 94-163,89 Stat. 871).

D/MBE/WBE IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES:

The following information, as applicable, shall be retained by Contractor and produced upon request by General Services if determined by General Services to be necessary to establish the bidder's "good faith efforts" to meet the Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business Enterprise (D/M/WBE) requirements.

1. The names and dates of advertisement of each newspaper, trade paper, and minority- focus paper in which a request for D/M/WBE participation for this project was placed by the bidder.
2. The names and dates of notices of all certified D/M/WBEs solicited by direct mail for this project and the dates and methods used for following up initial solicitations to determine with certainty whether the D/M/WBEs were interested.
3. The items of work for which the bidder requested subbids or materials to be supplied by D/M/WBEs, the information furnished interested D/M/WBEs in the way of plans, specifications and requirements for the work, and any breakdown of items of work into economically feasible units to facilitate D/M/WBE participation. Where there are D/M/WBEs available for doing portions of the work normally performed by the bidder with his own forces, the bidder will be expected to make portions of such work available for D/M/WBEs to bid on.
4. The names of D/M/WBEs who submitted bids for any of the work indicated in (3) above, which were not accepted, a summary of the bidder's discussions and/or negotiations with them, the name of the subcontractor or supplier that was selected for that portion of work, and the reasons for the bidder's choice. If the reason for rejecting the D/M/WBE bid was price, give the price bid by the rejected D/M/WBE and the price bid by the selected subcontractor or supplier.
5. Assistance that the bidder has extended to D/M/WBEs identified in (4) above to remedy the deficiency in their sub-bids.
6. To find a D/M/WBE certified firm, you may call (916) 445-3520, go on-line to: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/bep>, or via mail at: D/M/WBE Listing for County, CalTrans - Publications Distribution Unit, 1900 Royal Oaks, Sacramento, CA 95815-3800.

AUDIT, RETENTION AND INSPECTION OF RECORDS:

The Contractor agrees that the (City/County), the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), or its designee will have the right to review, obtain, and copy all records pertaining to performance of this Agreement. The Contractor agrees to provide any relevant information requested and shall permit the (City/County), the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), or its designee access to its premises, upon reasonable notice, during normal business hours for the purpose of interviewing employees and inspecting and copying such books, records, accounts, and other material that may be relevant to a matter under investigation for the purpose of determining compliance with California Public Contract Code (PCC) Section 10115 et seq., Government Code (GC) Section 8546.7 and 2 CCR 1896.60 et seq.

The Contractor further agrees to maintain such records for a period of five (5) years after final payment under this Agreement, and that on or before the end of the five (5) year audit/retention period, the Consultant shall release and deliver to the (City/County) all original records and related documentation.