



LEGAL NOTICE

**REQUEST FOR BID
SEALED BID 13-173**

For

Delivery Services for Election Equipment

For

**ST. CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT
ST. CHARLES, MISSOURI**

St. Charles County is seeking bids for **Delivery Services for Election Equipment**. The vendor must guarantee the quoted prices for a period of one year. The County, with the consent of the vendor, shall have the option for two (2) one year extensions under the same terms and conditions. The county reserves the right to terminate the contract for any violation, by the successful bidder, of any term or condition of the contract by giving thirty (30) days written notice stating the reasons therefore and giving the party time to remedy any deficiencies.

BID INSTRUCTIONS

One [1] signed original and one [1] signed copy of the bid must be received in a sealed envelope plainly marked “**Sealed Bid 13-173 Delivery Services for Election Equipment**” with the date and time of the bid opening in the lower left corner of the envelope.

An authorized representative of the company/person submitting the bid must sign the bid, in blue ink.

Bids must be submitted to the St. Charles County Finance Department, 201 North Second Street, Room 541, St. Charles, MO 63301 prior to the bid opening.

Bid opening will be on 11/12/13 at 2:00 PM, in Room 523 of the St. Charles County Administration Building, 201 North Second Street, St. Charles, MO 63301.

St. Charles County reserves the right to accept and/or reject any and all bids.

Bid results may be obtained by emailing a request to the St. Charles County Purchasing Manager at purchasing@sccmo.org, **no phone calls please**. Include the name and number of the bid and date of the bid opening when requesting the results. The time it takes for final bid results to be made public depends on the complexity of the project and the cost of the project.

BID INQUIRIES

Questions or clarifications concerning this Request for Bid must be submitted in writing via E-mail (preferred), mail or fax to:

Kurt Mandernach, Purchasing Manager
201 N. Second St. Rm 541
St. Charles, MO 63301
Fax: 636-949-7456
purchasing@sccmo.org

For technical questions concerning the bid specifications please contact:

Chris Benefield and Tony Hines, Voting Systems Supervisors
St. Charles County Government
Election Authority
397 Turner Blvd
St. Peters, Mo 63376
636-949-1809 and 636-949-3837
Fax: (636)949-7552

- The bid number and title shall be referenced on all correspondence.

Prohibited Communication

Contact with any representative, other than through the procedure outlined in the section titled “Bid Inquiries”, concerning this request is prohibited PRIOR TO BID OPENING. Representative shall include, but not be limited to, all elected and appointed officials, and employees of St. Charles County and their Agents within St. Charles County.

Any Offeror engaging in such prohibited communications prior to Bid Opening may be disqualified at the sole discretion of St. Charles County.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- St. Charles County reserves the right to reject any and all bids or parts of a bid and waive technicalities, and to adjust quantities.
- All bids will be considered final. No additions, deletions, corrections, or adjustments will be accepted after the time of bid opening.
- All delivery costs or charges must be included in the F.O.B. destination bid price.
- City, County and State of Missouri Sales Tax and Federal Taxes are not applicable to sales made to St. Charles County and must be excluded.
- The contract shall be effective for the approximate twelve (12) month period from the date of the notice of award.
- The County, with the consent of the vendor, shall have the option to renew said contract for two (2) additional twelve (12) month periods at the same specifications and terms and conditions of any contract that may be derived from this request for proposal.
- The electronic version of this bid/RFP is available upon request. The document was entered into WORD for Microsoft Windows. The Purchasing Office does not guarantee the completeness and accuracy of any information provided on the electronic version. Therefore, respondents are cautioned that the hard copy of this bid/RFP on file in the Purchasing Office governs in the event of a discrepancy between the information contained in or on the electronic version and that which is on the hard copy.
- Vendors are required to clearly identify any deviations from the specifications in this document.
- An authorized officer of the company submitting the bid must sign all bids, in blue ink.
- Vendors must submit two [2] signed copies of their bid; one is to be an original and so marked.
- All prices and notations must be in blue ink or typewritten on the attached form. Mistakes must be crossed out, corrections typed adjacent and must be initialed in blue ink by the person signing the bid.
- St. Charles County will not award any bid to an individual or business having any outstanding amounts due from a prior Contract or business relationship with the County or who owes any amount(s) for delinquent taxes, fees or licenses.
- Sealed proposals received after the designated time of the receipt of the sealed proposals will be considered as “No Bid” and “Void” and will not be opened.

- The successful bidder is specifically denied the right of using in any form or medium the names of St. Charles County or any other public entity within the St. Charles County for public advertising unless express written permission is granted.
- All bidders must possess the necessary and appropriate business and/or professional licenses in their field.
- Award will be made to the low responsive, responsible bidder, or to the offeror whose proposal is most advantageous to the County, price and other factors considered. When payments are to be made to the County, award will be made to the most advantageous offer.
- County reserves the right to accept any item or group of items offered, unless the bidder qualifies his bid by specific limitations. The bid can be on an "all or none" basis if wording in the bid so states and if all items solicited are included in the bid.
- When applicable, provide unit prices and extension prices. Where there is disagreement in the unit and extension prices, the unit price shall govern.

Employment of Unauthorized Aliens Prohibited (*Missouri Revised Statutes Section 285.530*)

As a condition for the award of any contract or grant in excess of five thousand dollars by St. Charles County to a business entity, the business entity shall, by sworn affidavit and provision of documentation**, affirm its enrollment and participation in a federal work authorization program (**E-Verify**) with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services. Every such business entity shall sign an affidavit affirming that it does not knowingly employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services. [RSMO 285.530 (2)]

An employer may enroll and participate in a federal work authorization program (**E-Verify**) and shall verify the employment eligibility of every employee in the employer's hire whose employment commences after the employer enrolls in a federal work authorization program. The employer shall retain a copy of the dated verification report received from the federal government. Any business entity that participates in such program shall have an affirmative defense that such business entity has not violated subsection 1 of this section. [RSMO 285.530 (4)]

Any entity contracting with St. Charles County shall only be required to provide the referenced affidavit on an annual basis. A copy of the affidavit is included in this bid request. Vendors may choose to send the required documentation using one of the following options:

- Send the notarized affidavit and E-Verify MOU signature page to: St. Charles County, Attn: Purchasing Manager, 201 N Second Street, Room 541, St. Charles, MO 63301 prior to responding to any solicitations; **OR**
- Send the notarized affidavit and E-Verify MOU signature page along with a bid solicitation response.

These documents will be kept on file. The notarized affidavit and E-Verify MOU signature page will remain current for **one year** from the date of the notarized affidavit.

**** PLEASE NOTE:**

**Acceptable enrollment and participation documentation consists of a valid copy of the signature page Of the E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding, completed and signed by the Contractor, and the Department of Homeland Security - Verification Division
The online address to enroll in the E-verify program is:**

<https://e-verify.uscis.gov/enroll/StartPage.aspx?JS=YES>

Open Records

Any and all information contained in or submitted with the bid becomes a public record subject to the Missouri Sunshine Law when the bids are opened. If the bidder believes that any information contained in or submitted with the bid is protected from disclosure by the Missouri Sunshine Law, the bidder must clearly identify what information the bidder believes is so protected and must also clearly identify the legal basis therefor.

BID SPECIFICATIONS

Information on each specific election may be obtained from the Election Authority's Office 6 weeks before any election. **For viewing of the equipment prior to bid and for a list of precinct locations, call Chris Benefield at (636) 949-1809 or Tony Hines at (636) 896-4213**

The vendor shall provide:

1. Delivery of election equipment will vary for each election with a maximum election being the delivery of 150 cages, optical scan units and ADA compliant units to individual precincts from a list provided by the Election Authority's office.
2. Delivery of extra booths not included inside the election cage. Delivery to be done at the same time as delivery of cages, optical scan units and DRE units to all precincts involved in that election.
3. Delivery of any tables, chairs, inside poll signs, etc as needed. List provided by Election Authority. Delivery to be done at same time as delivery of cages and election equipment.
4. Pick up all cages, election voting machines, extra booths, tables, chairs, poll signs, etc. after the election. Everything delivered must be picked up.
5. Delivery and Pick up must be completed within 4 business days before and 3 business days after the election.
6. Due to the extreme sensitivity of election equipment, extreme care must be provided by the delivery service. Blankets required for each piece of equipment.
7. All trucks used must be enclosed with security locked doors, have lift gates and be between 24 to 26 foot trucks.
8. Provide one support crew between the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the event election equipment needs to be moved to another location.
9. Crews must consist of 2 people per truck to deliver Voting Equipment inside the buildings. When not attended, the truck must be securely locked up. The average county wide election consists of minimum of 4 trucks per day, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday before Election Day for delivery and Wednesday, Thursday, Friday after Election Day for pickup from 6 am. to 6 pm. Some holidays may be involved depending on special elections, price accordingly.
10. Election Authority will furnish a delivery schedule with dates and times when each precinct can be delivered. Will furnish keys to building as needed, keys must be returned by 5:00 a.m. Election Day.

Insurance

Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability: The successful contractor and each subcontractor shall maintain a policy of Worker's Compensation insurance, or be a qualified self-insurer, providing Statutory limits and Employer's Liability coverage with limits of no less than \$500,000 during the life of the contract.

Automobile, General Liability (including products and completed operations) and Property Damage: Minimum coverage to be maintained by Contractor and each subcontractor in the amount of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury or death to any one person and

\$3,000,000 per occurrence. Property damage coverage of at least \$1,000,000, including property in transit, shall be maintained. In the alternative, a Combined Single Limit Policy in the amount of \$3,000,000 shall be maintained. Automobile coverage must include non-owned vehicles.

All such insurance shall be written through an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of Missouri and acceptable to Saint Charles County. The policy must specifically state that the coverage, as it pertains to the County, shall be primary; that any or all insurance carried by an additional insured is strictly excess and secondary, and will not contribute to the Contractor's policy.

The Contractor and each subcontractor agree to furnish Saint Charles County with a Certificate of Insurance naming them as an Additional Insured on each of their respective policies and include a provision for at least 30 days written notice of any material change or cancellation.

Exception Sheet

If the item(s) and/or services proposed in the response to this bid is in any way different from that contained in this proposal or bid, the bidder is responsible to clearly identify all such differences in the space provided below. Otherwise, it will be assumed that the bidder's offer is in total compliance with all aspects of the proposal or bid.

Below are the exceptions or differences to the stated specifications (attach additional sheets as needed):

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

BID FORM-SB 13-048
Delivery Services for Election Equipment
BID OPENING DATE: 11/12/2013 at 2:00 PM

(Bidder name)

Submits the following bid for this project:

Vendor should bid price per Election cage and per extra equipment. There are a total of 121 precincts in a countywide election.

Bid price per Election Cage \$ _____

Bid price for Items not in Cage \$ _____

Authorized signature

Date _____

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND ENCLOSED WITH THE BID

Audit Clause for Contracts

Examination of Records

The Contractor's records must include, but not be limited to, accounting records (hard copy, as well as computer readable data), written policies and procedures, subcontractor files, indirect cost records, overhead allocation records, correspondence, instructions, drawings, receipts, vouchers, memoranda, and any other data relating to this contract shall be open to inspection and subject to audit and/or reproduction by the County Auditor, or a duly authorized representative from the County, at the County's expense. The contractor must preserve all such records for a period of three years, unless permission to destroy them is granted by the County, or for such longer period as may be required by law, after the final payment. Since the Contractor is not subject to the Missouri Sunshine Law (Chapter 610, RSMo), information regarding the Contractor's operations, obtained during audits, will be kept confidential.

The Contractor will require all subcontractors under this contract to comply with the provisions of this article by including the requirements listed above in written contracts with the subcontractors.

Vendor Information

Company Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Hours: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

(Indicates acceptance of all bid terms and conditions)

Date: _____

AFFIDAVIT OF WORK AUTHORIZATION

The bidder/contractor who meets the section 285.525, RSMo definition of a business entity must complete and return the following Affidavit of Work Authorization.

Comes now _____ (Name of Business Entity Authorized Representative) as
_____(Position/Title) first being duly sworn on my oath, affirm
_____(Business Entity Name) is enrolled
and will continue to participate in the E-Verify federal work authorization program with respect to
employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the
services related to contract(s) with the County for the duration of the contract(s), if awarded in
accordance with subsection 2 of section 285.530, RSMo. I also affirm that _____
_____(Business Entity Name) does not and will not knowingly
employ a person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services provided to
the contract(s) for the duration of the contract(s), if awarded.

In Affirmation thereof, the facts stated above are true and correct. (The undersigned understands
that false statements made in this filing are subject to the penalties provided under section 575.040,
RSMo.)

Authorized Representative's Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

E-Mail Address

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ of _____. I am
(DAY) (MONTH, YEAR)

commissioned as a notary public within the County of _____, State of
(NAME OF COUNTY)

_____, and my commission expires on _____.
(NAME OF STATE) (DATE)

Signature of Notary

Date