# **Independent Public Account Audit**

# Contract #2024-01



Harrisburg Housing Authority 351 Chestnut Street Harrisburg PA 17101-2785 (717) 232-6781

Dated: February 20, 2024

An Equal Opportunity Employer An Equal Housing Provider



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# Forms required to be completed and returned:

- Form of Proposal
- Vendor Information Form
- HUD 5369-A
- Fee Proposal Forms
- Addenda Acknowledgment Form

# **Informational Forms Only:**

- HUD 5369-B
- Sample Form of Contract
- MBE/WBE Clause

## **Request for Proposals**

The Harrisburg Housing Authority will accept Proposals for Indefinite Quantity Contracts for an **Independent Public Account Audit** by a qualified Certified Public Accounting firm (Contract # 2024-01).

Proposals must be submitted electronically via our E-Procurement website. All submissions must be received no later than 12:00 noon, March 20, 2024. Fax or email submissions will not be accepted.

RFP documents will be available electronically February 25, 2025 at <a href="www.harrisburghousing.org">www.harrisburghousing.org</a> (follow vendor registration link to our E-Procurement Vendor's web site). All parties interested in any project <a href="must register">must register</a> as a vendor by visiting our website <a href="www.harrisburghousing.org">www.harrisburghousing.org</a>. Follow registration link under "Vendor."

Questions and requests for information about the content of the documents shall be directed, in writing, to Lori Shope via the E-Procurement website, no later than 12:00 noon, March 11, 2024.

HHA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and waive any informalities.

HARRISBURG HOUSING AUTHORITY



#### **Purpose**

The Harrisburg Housing Authority (HHA) and its affiliates are seeking proposals from qualified **Certified Public Accounting firms for an Independent Public Account Audit service.** 

#### **Background**

The Harrisburg Housing Authority (HHA) is a nonprofit governmental entity enabled under the laws of Pennsylvania, and whose primary contract is with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The agency was organized in 1937 under the U.S. Housing Act for the acquisition, development, modernization, operation, and administration of public housing programs. The primary purpose of HHA is to provide safe, decent, sanitary, and affordable housing to the elderly and low-income families in the City of Harrisburg, PA and to operate housing and rental assistance programs in accordance with federal legislation. The HHA currently owns and manages approximately 1,640 low-Income Public Housing units and administers approximately 1,300 Housing Choice Voucher Program units.

## **Properties of the Harrisburg Housing Authority**

WILLIAM HOWARD DAY HOMES	(PA 8-1)	<b>HOVERTER HOMES</b>	(PA 8-2)
JOHN A.F. HALL MANOR	(PA 8-3)	HILLSIDE VILLAGE	(PA 8-4)
M.W. SMITH HOMES	(PA 8-5)	JACKSON TOWER	(PA 8-6)
MORRISON TOWER	(PA 8-7)	LICK TOWER	(PA 8-9)
SCATTERED SITES	(PA 8-10)		

## **Description of the Properties**

Name of Development	# Units	Type of Units	Location
William Howard Day	218	Efficiencies 9, 1, 2, 2, 4 Padroom	1300 Community Drive
Homes	210	Efficiencies & 1, 2, 3, 4 Bedroom	Harrisburg PA 17103
George A. Hoverter	233	Efficiencies & 1, 2, 3, 4 Bedroom	1260 Oyler Road
Homes	255	Efficiencies & 1, 2, 3, 4 Bedroom	Harrisburg PA 17104
John A.F. Hall Manor	538	1 2 2 4 Padroom	17 <sup>th</sup> & Hanover Street
Homes	556	1, 2, 3, 4 Bedroom	Harrisburg PA 17104
Hillsida Villago	70	2 2 Podroom	12 <sup>th</sup> & Reily Street
Hillside Village	70	2, 3 Bedroom	Harrisburg PA 17103
M.W. Smith Homes	80	2, 3, 4 Bedroom	Cameron & Calder St
W.W. Silliti Hollies			Harrisburg PA 17103
Jackson Tower	159	Efficiencies & 1 Br-(Elderly)	1315 N. 6 <sup>th</sup> Street
Jackson Tower	139	High-Rise–(13 stories)	Harrisburg PA 17102
Morrison Tower	120	Efficiencies & 1 Br-(Elderly)	351 Chestnut Street
Worldson Tower	120	High-Rise–(12 stories)	Harrisburg PA 17101
Lick Tower		Efficiencies & 1 Br-(Elderly)	1301 N. 6 <sup>th</sup> Street
(Currently under	144	High-Rise–(13 stories)	Harrisburg PA 17102
renovation)		Tilgii Mise (15 stories)	Tiditisbuig (A 17102
Scattered Sites	79	2, 3, 4, 5 Bedroom	Various Locations
Total Units	1,640		

#### **Scope of Work**

The selected firm shall perform a comprehensive audit of all HHA programs (listed below) for fiscal years ending December 31<sup>st</sup> each year, and shall be responsible for delivering a Report on Audit of Financial Statements and Supplemental Information for each fiscal year on or before <u>August 31<sup>st</sup></u> of the following year, to the Harrisburg Housing Authority. Completion of the audits shall include meeting submission deadlines imposed by HUD for the submission of audits into the Federal Clearinghouse and any other HUD required remittance on or before the \*September 30<sup>th</sup> due date for each audit year performed.

\*We bring to the Respondents' attention the reporting deadline for the fiscal year ending 2023 (August 31, 2024), emphasizing the timeline thereof.

The following is a list of programs administered by the Housing Authority:

- Low Income Public Housing (1,640 Units)
- Capital Fund Program
- Family Self-Sufficiency Program
- Housing Choice Voucher Program (approximately 1,300 vouchers)
  - Family Self-Sufficiency Program
  - Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Grant
- o 501c(3) designator federal non-profit Paladin Development
- Pennsylvania non-profit organization Aegis
- The audit must be done in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 and the related Compliance Supplement applicable to those programs administered by the Authority. Other authoritative HUD sources include HUD handbooks such as HUD Handbook 2000.04 REV-2, Change 1, Consolidated Audit Guide for Audits of HUD Programs; HUD Handbook 7476.1, REV-1, Change 2, Audits of Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) and Indian Housing Authorities (IHAs) by Independent Auditors (IAs); and PIH Notice 95-31, 96-32, and 97-30; Public and Indian Housing (PIH) Compliance Supplement for Annual Audit of Public Housing Agencies and Indian Housing Authorities by Independent Auditors. Other applicable Federal laws, regulations, and authoritative sources include the Single Audit Act of 1984 and the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, Government Auditing Standards (the "Yellow Book") promulgated by the Comptroller General of the United States General Accounting Office, and the General Accounting Office Publication Assessing Compliance With Applicable Laws and Regulations. The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants issued the audit and accounting guide entitled Audits of State and Local Governmental Units. The Financial Accounting Foundation determines Generally Accepted Auditing Standards as published by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in their Statements on Auditing Standards.

The auditor's report shall include:

- An opinion on financial statements and schedule of expenditure of Federal awards;
- A report on internal control;
- A report on compliance;
- A schedule of findings and questioned costs;

Other reports, documentation, or schedules as required by HUD and applicable auditing or financial reporting standards.

## **Minimum Requirements**

The Respondent must meet the following minimum requirements to be considered:

- Must be a Certified Public Accountant (CPA).
- Must meet the appropriate state licensing requirements.

(Please attach proof of your firm meeting the appropriate State of Pennsylvania Licensing requirements; a photocopy of your certificate, license or permit will serve this purpose)

- Must have a record of responsible comparable work.
- Must comply with applicable requirements for peer review and continuing professional education.
   (Please attach proof of your firm's peer review)
- Must certify that its principal officer(s) or member(s) do not currently have and will not have during any
  period covered by this audit any interest, direct or indirect, in HHA or any of its members,
  commissioners, or officials.
- Must certify that it has not provided accounting or bookkeeping services for HHA during the period covered by the audit. Any exceptions must be explained.
- Must certify that no member of, or delegate to Congress of the United States or elected official shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise.
- Must warrant that he/she has not employed any person to solicit or secure this contract upon any
  agreement for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee. Breach of this warranty shall
  give HHA the right to terminate this contract, or, in its discretion, to deduct from the auditor's fee the
  amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.
- Must certify that he/she will not assign or transfer any interest in this contract except that claims for
  monies due or to become due from HHA under the contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company,
  or other financial institution. If the Respondent is a partnership, this contract shall inure to the benefit
  of the surviving or remaining member(s) of such partnership.
- Must certify that he/she will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, age or national origin. The Respondent must certify that it shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age 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.
- Certification that the CPA, proposed audit staff, and the audit firm have not been the object of any
  disciplinary action during the past three (3) years. (If the respondent is unable to make this certification,
  then a complete explanation of the circumstances for noncertification must be submitted).
- Must comply with requirement that a Quality Control Review was performed.

(Please attach proof or letter of comment issued pertaining thereto)

#### **Fee Proposal**

Under Tab 9 complete and include the cost schedule (attached) for all proposed engagement team members.

#### **Contract Term**

This Contract is effective for a period of three (3) years, commencing on the date the Contract is completely executed, unless properly amended or terminated as provided herein. The Contract may be renewed by mutual written agreement upon its expiration with two (2) additional one (1)-year renewal periods.

Prior to the execution of this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall have no authority to begin work under this Contract. The AGENCY'S Contracting Officer and/or designee shall not authorize any payments to the CONTRACTOR prior to such award, nor shall the AGENCY incur any liability to reimburse the CONTRACTOR regarding any expenditure for the purchase of materials or the payment for Services prior to commencement of this Contract. The Contract shall not become effective until the Contract has been approved and signed by the authorities having jurisdiction over this Contract.

#### **Response Time Frame And Other Information**

Response submission period: February 25, 2024 through March 21, 2024

Responses due by 12:00 noon, Thursday, March 21, 2024

Questions/Answer period: February 25, 2024 through March 11, 2024 @ 12:00 noon

(via Housing Agency Marketplace web site)

Evaluation period: March 21, 2024 through March 29, 2024

Interviews (if required): April 1, 2024 through April 5, 2024

Award: April 17, 2024

(subject to the HHA Board of Commissioner's approval)

Proposals must comply with regulations and statutes relating to procurement in the State of Pennsylvania, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the policies of the Harrisburg Housing Authority. The person submitting the proposal must have the authority to bind the organization in a contract. Late submissions will not be considered.

#### One original copy of the proposal will be required by the respondent.

Harrisburg Housing Authority Senghor Manns, CEO/President All costs directly or indirectly related to the preparation of a response to this RFP shall be the sole responsibility of and shall be borne by the respondent.

Requests for all other information must be in writing, via the Housing Agency Marketplace. Questions and responses will then be made available to all respondents. Interested parties may register at http://www.harrisburghousing.org, follow vendor registration link, to be re-directed to Housing Agency Marketplace.

It is the expressed policy of the HHA that parties responding to this request refrain from initiating any direct contact or communication with the HHA President, HHA staff or members of the Board of Commissioners with regard to this Request for Proposals during the selection process. Any violation of this policy will be considered a basis for disqualification.

HHA reserves the right to waive any minor technical deficiency in any proposal when these actions appear to be in the HHA's best interest, cancel the RFP, reject any or all proposals, make an award based solely on the proposals, or to negotiate further with one or more firms. The HHA also reserves the right to reject the proposal of any firm that has previously failed to perform satisfactorily, or has failed to complete, on time, a contract or contracts of a similar nature. The HHA also reserves the right to select the proposal designed to deliver the most favorable overall impact upon the organization and the right to ask questions, interview or negotiate the services and price before awarding the contract. HHA reserves the right to withdraw this solicitation at any time.

All proposals received will become a part of the Housing Authority's official files without any obligation on the Housing Authority's part to return submitted material.

The HHA is an equal opportunity employer. The award will be made without regard to race, color, religion, gender, age, mental or physical disability (or history thereof), marital or family status, beliefs, and national origin.

HHA has an established policy that expresses HHA's goal to meet minority and women owned business contracting percentages in HHA's spending for services. See HHA's MBE/WBE Policy Statement. For Non-MBE or Non-WBEs, HHA encourages respondents to seek consultants, partnerships and/or joint venture opportunities with MBEs or WBEs.

## **Proposal Content & Format**

**Tabbed Proposal Submittal:** The HHA intends to retain the successful Respondent pursuant to a "Best Value" basis, not necessarily a "Low Bid" basis. Therefore, so that the HHA can properly evaluate the proposal received, all proposals submitted in response to this RFP must be formatted in accordance with the sequence noted following. Each category must be separated by <u>numbered index dividers (which number extends so that each tab can be located without opening the proposal) and labeled with the</u>

<u>corresponding tab reference also noted below</u>. None of the proposed services may conflict with any requirement the HHA has published herein or has issued by addendum.

**Tab 1, Form of Proposal:** This Form is attached to this RFP document. This 1-page Form must be completed and executed where provided thereon and submitted under this tab as a part of the proposal submittal.

**Tab 2, Form HUD-5369-A, Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders:** This Form is attached to this RFP document. This form must be fully completed, executed where provided thereon and submitted under this tab as a part of the proposal submittal.

**Tab 3, Vendor Information Form:** The Vendor Information Form is attached to this RFP document. This form must be fully completed, executed and submitted under this tab as a part of the proposal submittal. NOTE: Insurance policies to be supplied upon request only.

**Tab 4, Proposed Services:** The successful responder must demonstrate their ability to perform these services in an efficient, timely and independent manner. The description of the responder's proposal and experience shall indicate possession of a broad and practical knowledge of HUD rules, regulations and requirements, and federal law and applicable procedure pertaining to public housing grants.

To that end, this tabbed section is for the responder to provide the following:

- A summary of your proposed approach
- Detail the level of assistance you would require of the Housing Authority's staff to conduct said services

**Tab 5, Managerial Capacity/Financial Viability:** This is the section reserved for demonstrating the qualifications and technical ability of the staff member(s) who will conduct the services. Please include a company biography. The respondent must submit under this tab a concise description of its managerial and financial capacity to deliver the proposed services, including brief professional resumes for the principles, as well as those individuals assigned to the engagement team.

**Tab 6, Client Information:** The Respondent shall submit a listing of at least 3 former or current clients for whom the Respondent has, within the preceding 24 months, performed similar or like services to those being proposed herein. The list shall, at a minimum, include:

- The name of the firm;
- The client's contact name;
- The client's telephone number;
- A brief description and scope of the service(s) provided.

**Tab 7, Equal Employment Opportunity:** The Respondent shall submit under this tab a copy of its Equal Opportunity Employment Policy, and any documentation it believes substantiates practice and history of employing minorities and/or women in professional positions.

**Tab 8, MBE/WBE Documentation:** This tab should also include any certification of Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and/or Woman Business Enterprise (WBE). For Non-MBE or Non-WBEs, HHA

encourages respondents to seek consultants, partnerships and/or joint venture opportunities with MBEs or WBEs.

**Tab 9, Fee Proposal**: Shall be submitted on the Cost Proposal form provided, indicating hourly fees for each identified staff person, as well as estimated hours required to perform the scope of work. Also indicate any travel/lodging fees, reimbursable fees and other associated costs and fees.

**Tab 10, Other Information (Optional Item)**: The Respondent may include hereunder any other general information that the Respondent believes is appropriate to assist the HHA in its evaluation. Include Subcontractor/Joint Venture Information under this tab.

If no pertinent information is to be placed under any of the tabs (especially the "Optional" tabs), please place there under a statement such as "THIS TAB LEFT INTENTIONALLY BLANK."

#### **Evaluation Method**

**Initial Evaluation:** Each proposal received will first be evaluated for responsiveness (i.e. meets the minimum of the requirements). The HHA shall select a minimum of a three-person panel to evaluate each of the proposals submitted in response to this RFP.

**Evaluation Panel**: An impartial evaluation panel from available staff and/or consultants will be selected. The Contract Manager will assemble the evaluation packets for each evaluator and deliver along with instructions.

**Evaluation Period**: The panel has generally ten (10) business days to complete the evaluation. Additional time may be granted in cases where a large number of responses are received and/or interviews are to be conducted.

**Evaluation Summary**: The Contract Manager will complete a summary of responses from the evaluators. At his/her discretion, the Contract Manager may call for an evaluation summary meeting to discuss the proposals, the evaluations or to short list some firms for further consideration. Final recommendation of the firm presenting the best value of the short-listed firms may be accomplished by, but not limited to, vote of the panel.

## **Proposal Evaluation**

The Evaluation Committee will review the Proposals in accordance with the following evaluation criteria:

#### 1. <u>Technical Competence and Methods</u>

0-35 Points

Proposal Methodology is clearly stated and delineated in a manner consistent with a professional approach to the tasks. Demonstrated technical background and capability of the Respondent to complete the expected work described under the Scope of Service is evaluated.

#### 2. Managerial and Organizational Structuring

0-15 Points

Through the identification of key personnel and staff to be assigned to the HHA, and an explanation of the areas of expertise, demonstrate the ability to undertake the type of work referenced. This will include delineating the organizational structure of the organization or team, the resumes of each individual assigned to each role of the team (or individual), and a description of the interactions among the team. From this information, a judgment will be made concerning the anticipated overall ability of the team or individual to perform the contract.

#### 3. Experience and References

0-15 Points

The Respondent's experience will be evaluated and rated as presented by past performance of similar projects. HHA will assign scoring based on specific experience in the areas identified in the scope of work and services. Evaluators may contact references for information regarding past performance.

4. Involvement with or level of ownership interest Minority Business Enterprises, Woman <u>Business</u>
Enterprises 0-20 Points

Review policy statement. For Non-MBE or Non-WBEs, HHA encourages respondents to seek consultants, partnerships and/or joint venture opportunities with MBEs or WBEs.

5. Fee Schedule 0-15 Points

The Respondent will be evaluated based on the proposal fee schedule as it pertains to services as delineated by this RFP. Based upon this proposed fee structure, an assessment will be made concerning the reasonableness of the fee proposal for accomplishing the proposed scope of work.

TOTAL 100 Points

#### **Contract Award**

If a contract is awarded as a result of this RFP, the following detailed procedures will be followed:

Upon final completion of the proposal evaluation process, the Contract Manager will forward to the HHA President (and HHA's Chief Legal Officer) for review and possible approval of a written award recommendation via resolution to the HHA Board of Commissioners. If so, the HHA Board will then make its determination of whether or not to follow the panel's recommendation vis-à-vis approval of the official resolution. If the recommendation is followed and the top-rated Respondent is approved for award, all Respondents will receive an announcement of award or final determination. Contract price negotiations may, at the HHA's option, be conducted prior to or after the Board approval. In the event the Board does not approve the panel's recommendation, HHA reserves the right to re-evaluate, rebid or cancel the solicitation.

- **Contract Conditions:** The following provisions are considered mandatory conditions of any contract award made by HHA pursuant to this RFP:
- Contract Form: The HHA will not execute a contract on the successful Respondent's form. Contracts will only be executed on the sample Professional Services Contract (attached) and by submitting a proposal; the successful Respondent agrees to do so. The HHA will consider any contract clauses that the Respondent wishes to include therein, but the failure of the HHA to include such clauses does not give the successful Respondent the right to refuse to execute the HUD contract form.
- **General Conditions:** HUD Form 5370-C, Section I is made part of this contract.
- Assignment of Personnel: The HHA shall retain the right to demand and receive a change in
  personnel assigned to the work if the HHA believes that such change is in the best interest of
  the HHA and the completion of the contracted work.
- Unauthorized Sub-Contracting Prohibited: The successful Respondent shall not assign any right, nor delegate any duty for the work proposed pursuant to this RFP (including, but not limited to, selling or transferring the contract) without the prior written consent of the Contract Officer. Any purported assignment of interest or delegation of duty, without the prior written consent of the Contract Officer shall be void and may result in the cancellation of the contract with the HHHA, or may result in the full or partial forfeiture of funds paid to the successful Respondent as a result of the proposed contract; either as determined by the Contract Officer.
- **Contract Period:** The HHA will award a three (3)-year contract to the successful Respondent to perform Independent Public Account Audit.
- Work made for hire: All work performed pursuant to this agreement specifically including all deliverables developed or prepared for HHA is the exclusive property of HHA. All right, title and interest in and to said property shall vest in the HHA and shall be deemed to be a work made for hire and made in the course of the services rendered pursuant to this agreement.

#### **Post Contract Award Requirements**

Prior to award (but not as part of the submission of the proposal), the successful Respondent will be required to produce the following:

- An original certificate evidencing the Respondent's current industrial (workers compensation)
  insurance carrier and coverage amount;
- An original certificate, naming the HHA as an additional insured, showing the entity's general liability insurance coverage (minimum of \$1,000,000 each occurrence, general aggregate minimum limit of \$2,000,000), with fire damage of \$50,000, with a deductible of not greater than \$1,000;
- An original certificate, naming the HHA as an additional insured, showing the entity's cyber liability insurance coverage (minimum of \$1,000,000);
- An original certificate showing the Respondent's professional liability and/or "errors and omissions" coverage (minimum of \$1,000,000 each occurrence, general aggregate minimum limit of \$2,000,000, with a deductible of not greater than \$1,000);
- An original certificate showing the Respondent's **automobile insurance coverage** in a combined single limit of \$1,000,000. For every vehicle utilized during the term of this program, when not owned by the entity, each vehicle must have evidence of automobile insurance coverage with limits of no less than \$50,000/\$100,000 and medical payment of \$5,000.
- A copy of the Respondent's Harrisburg Mercantile License allowing that entity to provide services within the City of Harrisburg. Info available at:

https://cityofharrisburg.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/204527970-Business-Privilege-and-Mercantile-License

• W-9 form. Info available at: http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf

The aforementioned requested information shall be entered where requested on the Vendor Information Form under Tab 3 (DO NOT ATTACH COPIES WITHIN THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL--HHA will garner the necessary certificates from the successful Respondent prior to contract execution).

# **Invoicing and Payments**

Contractor shall submit detailed billing to HHA within 30 days of job completion. To receive any payment due, submit invoices of completed work to the headquarters address of HHA, 351 Chestnut Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2785. ACH payment is also available.

The Harrisburg Housing Authority is tax exempt. A tax exemption certificate will be furnished upon request.

Payment terms for approved invoices are on a net/30-day basis, and shall be formatted as follows:

- Company name, address, and telephone number;
- Invoice number, HHA purchase order, contract number, and task order number;
- Contractors must submit MBE/WBE/Section 3 utilization reports with invoicing.
  - o If invoice frequency is greater than monthly, one submission per month is required.
  - If the composition of the work force does not waiver, one submission annually is required.
- If applicable, attach the completed Request For Service (RFS) form, with approval/signature by HHA staff of satisfactory completion. This is the form initiated by HHA requesting the contractor's services.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IN ACCORD WITH THE FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS MAY DELAY THE PROCESSING OF INVOICES.

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - ANNUAL AUDIT INITIAL TERM Fee Proposal Form

For the following programs:

Low Income Public Housing Capital Fund Program

Family Self-Sufficiency Program Housing Choice Voucher Program

FY 2	20	23
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1.	Partner (Principal)	\$	per hour, Estimated Hou	ırs	\$	
	Senior (Manager)		per hour, Estimated Hou		\$	
	Semi-Senior Staff		per hour, Estimated Hou		\$ \$	
5.	Other: Audit Report Expens		per hour, Estimated Hou	ırs	\$	
De	scribe what "Other" ex	penses re	epresent:			
	Total		Estimated Hours		\$	
	Name Of Bido	ler:				
	Address:					
	City:					
	State & Zip Co	ode:				
	Contact Num	ber:				
E-Mail Address:						
Ac	Acknowledgement of Addenda: (Please list Addendum numbers)					
	nature Of Person Auth	orized To	o Sign Proposal	Date		
•	Title:		Print Name:			

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - ANNUAL AUDIT INITIAL TERM Fee Proposal Form

For the following programs:

Low Income Public Housing Capital Fund Program

Family Self-Sufficiency Program Housing Choice Voucher Program

## FY 2024

1.	Partner (Principal)	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	\$		
2.	Senior (Manager)	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	\$		
3.	Semi-Senior	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	\$		
4.	Staff	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	\$		
5.	Other: Audit Report Expen		per hour, Estimated Hours	\$		
De	scribe what "Other" ex	openses repr	resent:			
	Total		Estimated Hours	\$		
	Name Of Bide	der:				
	Address:					
	City:					
	State & Zip C	ode:				
	Contact Num	ber:				
E-Mail Address:						
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Т	Title: Print Name:					

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - ANNUAL AUDIT INITIAL TERM Fee Proposal Form

For the following programs:

Low Income Public Housing Capital Fund Program

Family Self-Sufficiency Program Housing Choice Voucher Program

FY 202	25
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1.	Partner (Principal)	\$ per hour,	Estimated Hours	\$
	Senior (Manager) Semi-Senior		Estimated Hours	
4.	Staff	\$ per hour,	Estimated Hours	\$
5.	Other: Audit Report Expense	\$ per hour,	Estimated Hours	_ \$
De	scribe what "Other" exp	enses represent:		
	Total	Estin	nated Hours	\$
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	Address:			<del></del>
	City:			
	State & Zip Coo			
	Contact Number			
	E-Mail Address			
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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - ANNUAL AUDIT INITIAL TERM Fee Proposal Form

For the following additional programs:

501c(3) - designator federal non-profit - Paladin Pennsylvania non-profit organization - Aegis

The <u>fee per fiscal year</u>, inclusive of all costs and expenses, must be broken down into the following applicable components:

1.	Partner (Principal)	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	_	\$
2.	Senior (Manager)	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	_	\$
3.	Semi-Senior	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	_	\$
4.	Staff	\$	per hour, Estimated Hours	_	\$
5.	Other:		per hour, Estimated Hours		\$
	Audit Report Expen	se			
De	scribe what "Other" ex	penses rep	resent:		
	Total		Estimated Hours		\$
	Name Of Bidder:	_			_
	Address:	_			_
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	City:	-			_
	State & Zip Code:	-			_
	Contact Number:	-			_
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Т	itle:		Print Name:		

# **Acknowledgement of Addenda**

Title:		_ Print Name:		
Signatur	e Of Person Authorized To Sign	Proposal	Date	
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	Contact Number:			
	State & Zip Code:			
	City:			
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	Address:			_
Name	e Of Bidder:			

## **Form of Proposal**

(This Form must be fully completed and placed under Tab #1 of the proposal submittal)

Instructions: The items listed below must be completed and included in the Proposal unless otherwise specifically noted. Please complete this form by marking X, where the referenced information has been included.

V ITEM INCLUDED		SUBMITTAL ITEMS
X = ITEM INCLUDED		
	Tab 1	Form of Proposal
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#### **Proposer's Statement**

The undersigned proposer hereby states that by completing and submitting this Form and all other documents within this submittal, he/she is verifying that all information provided herein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, true and accurate, and that if the HHA discovers that any information entered herein is false, that shall entitle the HHA to not consider or make award or to cancel any award with the undersigned party. Further, by completing and submitting the proposal submittal, the undersigned proposer is thereby agreeing to abide by all terms and conditions pertaining to this RFP as issued by the HHA. Pursuant to all RFP Documents, the Form of Proposal, and all attachments, the undersigned proposes to supply the HHA with the services described herein for the fees as agreed by the HHA and proposer.

Signature	Date	Printed Name
Company and Address		

## MBE/WBE Clause

#### Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) Women Business Enterprises (WBE)

A "minority business enterprise" (MBE) is one that is owned or controlled by one or more socially or economically disadvantaged persons. Such persons include African-Americans, Native-Americans, Hispanic-Americans, Asian/Pacific Americans, and Hasidic Jews. A "women business enterprise" (WBE) is one owned or controlled by a woman or group of women.

"Owned or controlled" by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged persons means that a socially and economically disadvantaged person or persons, or a for-profit business, or a non-profit organization controlled by such person or a for-profit business, or a non-profit organization controlled by such person or persons, possesses at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the ownership of the business, and its management and daily business operation are controlled by such persons.

The Harrisburg Housing Authority (HHA) will take the following actions to provide every feasible opportunity for minority business enterprises (MBEs) and women business enterprises (WBE) to participate in bidding or proposed work for HHA.

- A. The HHA will have a presumptive objective to award at least 25 percent (25%) of the dollar value of approved Capital Fund Program and real estate development dollars to contractors with MBE and WBE construction contractors, A/E's, or consultants (for both physical and management improvements). In pursuit of HHA's presumptive objective, HHA has established:
  - a. A threshold minimum of a 15% goal for contracting with MBEs and a 10% goal for contracting with WBEs;
  - b. Where the main construction contract is awarded to an MBE or WBE, the HHA will count the entire dollar amount of the contract toward HHA's MBE/WBE objective if the MBE/WBE contractor's primary address is within the city limits of the City of Harrisburg, PA (city limits). The HHA will count 75% of the dollar amount towards its objective if the MBE/WBE contractor's primary address is within 50 miles of the HHA headquarter address but outside of the city limits. The HHA will count 50% of the dollar amount towards its MBE/WBE objective if the MBE/WBE contractor's primary address is greater than 50 miles but less than 150 miles from HHA's headquarter address. Any distance from HHA's headquarter address that is greater than 150 miles will receive 25%;
  - c. Where the main construction contract is not awarded to an MBE/WBE but one or more of the subcontract(s) is awarded by the main contractor to an MBE/WBE, the HHA will count the dollar value of such subcontracts toward the MBE/WBE objective in similar fashion to the manner in which percentages are counted in section A(a) above. The HHA will not double count the dollar value of the main construction contract and its subcontracts. The HHA will report its MBE/WBE progress to HUD as required.
- B. To ensure that MBE/WBEs are aware of CFP bid opportunities, the HHA will, in addition to its existing procedures for publicizing upcoming Invitations for Bid or Requests for Proposals, may:
  - a. Purchase timely advertisement in media with a largely minority and women audience;
  - b. Solicit bids or requests for proposals directly from existing MBE/WBE lists;

- c. Post signs around developments and in the HA management office and local stores;
- d. Notify community organizations, public or private institutions, and local minority and women business organizations and trade associations;
- e. Notify resident organizations;
- f. Notify the Mayor's Office of Diversity.
- C. The HHA will take appropriate affirmative action to assist minority and women's business enterprises and maintain information and reports about such enterprises.
- D. The HHA will have a goal to award MBE/WBEs at least ten percent (10%) of the total amount expended for management operations (i.e., expenditures for contracts and purchases for supplies and services, as distinguished from salaries, wages and benefits).

MBE/WBE Consideration in Professional Selections.

In furtherance of the stated policy, the HHA:

- 1. Will give preference points in evaluations;
- 2. Recognizes all related certifications issued by recognized agencies;
- 3. Encourages responses that include consultants and/or joint venture opportunities with MBEs or WBEs;
- 4. Engages in outreach endeavors to encourage MBE/WBE participation in the RFP process.

#### **Vendor Information Form**

1)	Prime Sub-contractor (This form must be co	mpleted by and for each).	
2)	Name of Firm:		
	Telephone:		
	Fax:		
3)	Street Address, City, State, Zip:		
4)	E-mail Address:	ond hy same	
5)	Identify Principals/Partners in Firm	ona by same.	
	Name	Title	% of Ownership
6)	Identify the individual(s) who will act as project manager, engagement team working the HHA contract:	, along with other supervisory pers	sonnel on the
	Name	Title	
		Government Non-Profit gency Organization	
8)	Minority- (MBE) or Woman-Owned (WBE) Business Enter active management by one or more of the following):	prise (Qualifies by virtue of 51% o	r more ownership and
	African Native Hispanic American American American%	☐ Asian/Pacific ☐ Has American Jew %%	
	Asian/Indian Woman-Owned Woman-Owned American (MBE) (Caucasian %	n) Veteran	ner (Specify): %
	WBE/MBE/DBE Certification Number: Certified by (Agency):		

(NOTE: A CERTIFICATION/NUMBER IS NOT REQUIRED; ENTER IF AVAILABLE)

Sig	nature	 Date	Printed Name	Company	
20)	Verification Statement: The unde he/she verifies that all information agrees that if the HHA discovers an nor make award or to cancel any aw	n provided ny informa	d herein is, to the best of ation entered herein is false	his/her knowledge, true	and accurate, and
19)	Would your company be interested	in receivi	ng Direct Deposit Payment f	from HHA? Yes 🗆	□ No □
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18)	Please provide a list of services your	firm prov	vides		
1/)	If your firm currently holds any Sta GSA Schedule 70 or 84, US Commur		· •	all contract #s. (i.e. Costa	ars, DGS Contracts,
17\	Federal Government, any state a Pennsylvania? Yes   If "Yes," please attach a full detailed	No 🗆 I explanat	ion, including dates, circum	stances and current statu	ıs.
16)	Debarred Statement: Has this firm				
15)	Professional Liability Insurance Carr Policy Number:				
	Policy Number:				
14)	General Liability Insurance Carrier:				
	Policy Number:		Expiration Date:		
13)	Worker's Compensation Insurance (	Carrier:			
	State of License Type and N	umber:			
11)	Pennsylvania Business License Num	ber:			
10)	Federal Tax ID Number:				
9)	Are you a Section 3 Business Concer For clarification of a Section 3 Business		rn, please refer to the HHA	Website listed below.	

Please provide Section 3 Self Certification forms, licenses, etc.

This form along with HHA Policies are available at <a href="www.harrisburghousing.org">www.harrisburghousing.org</a>.

# U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

# Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders Public and Indian Housing Programs

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# Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders

Public and Indian Housing Programs

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#### 1. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

- (a) The bidder certifies that--
- (1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
- (2) The prices in this bid have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a competitive proposal solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the bid is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory--
- (1) Is the person in the bidder's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(l) through (a)(3) above; or
- (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(I) through (a)(3) above.

full name of person(s) in the bidder's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder's organization];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

- (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.
- (c) If the bidder deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder must furnish with its bid a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.
- [ ] [Contracting Officer check if following paragraph is applicable]
- (d) Non-collusive affidavit. (applicable to contracts for construction and equipment exceeding \$50,000)
- (1) Each bidder shall execute, in the form provided by the PHA/ IHA, an affidavit to the effect that he/she has not colluded with any other person, firm or corporation in regard to any bid submitted in response to this solicitation. If the successful bidder did not submit the affidavit with his/her bid, he/she must submit it within three (3) working days of bid opening. Failure to submit the affidavit by that date may render the bid nonresponsive. No contract award will be made without a properly executed affidavit.
- (2) A fully executed "Non-collusive Affidavit"  $\ [\ ]$  is,  $\ [\ ]$  is not included with the bid.

#### 2. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Bona fide employee" means a person, employed by a bidder and subject to the bidder's supervision and control as to time, place, and manner of performance, who neither exerts, nor proposes to exert improper influence to solicit or obtain contracts nor holds out as being able to obtain any contract(s) through improper influence.

"Improper influence" means any influence that induces or tends to induce a PHA/IHA employee or officer to give consideration or to act regarding a PHA/IHA contract on any basis other than the merits of the matter.

- (b) The bidder represents and certifies as part of its bid that, except for full-time bona fide employees working solely for the bidder, the bidder:
- (1) [ ] has, [ ] has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and
- (2) [] has, [] has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.
- (c) If the answer to either (a)(1) or (a)(2) above is affirmative, the bidder shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA/IHA Contracting Officer.
- (d) Any misrepresentation by the bidder shall give the PHA/IHA the right to (1) terminate the contract; (2) at its discretion, deduct from contract payments the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the contract.

# 3. Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

(a) The definitions and prohibitions contained in Section 1352 of title 31, United States Code, are hereby incorporated by reference in paragraph (b) of this certification.

- (b) The bidder, by signing its bid, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief as of December 23, 1989 that:
- (1) No 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 on his or her behalf in connection with the awarding of a contract resulting from this solicitation;
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) 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 on his or her behalf in connection with this solicitation, the bidder shall complete and submit, with its bid, OMB standard form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities;" and
- (3) He or she will include the language of this certification in all subcontracts at any tier and require that all recipients of subcontract awards in excess of \$100,000 shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- (c) Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by section 1352, title 31, United States Code. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure form to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$100,000, for each such failure.
- (d) Indian tribes (except those chartered by States) and Indian organizations as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B) are exempt from the requirements of this provision.

#### 4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

The bidder certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, he or she does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work to be performed under this proposed contract and the bidder's organizational, financial, contractual, or other interests may, without some restriction on future activities:

- (a) Result in an unfair competitive advantage to the bidder; or,
- (b) Impair the bidder's objectivity in performing the contract work.
- [ ] In the absence of any actual or apparent conflict, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no actual or apparent conflict of interest exists with regard to my possible performance of this procurement.

#### 5. Bidder's Certification of Eligibility

- (a) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, neither it, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the bidder's firm, nor any of the bidder's subcontractors, is ineligible to:
- (1) Be awarded contracts by any agency of the United States Government, HUD, or the State in which this contract is to be performed; or,
  - (2) Participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.
- (b) The certification in paragraph (a) above is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the bidder knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the contract may be terminated for default, and the bidder may be debarred or suspended from participation in HUD programs and other Federal contract programs.

#### 6. Minimum Bid Acceptance Period

- (a) "Acceptance period," as used in this provision, means the number of calendar days available to the PHA/IHA for awarding a contract from the date specified in this solicitation for receipt of bids.
- (b) This provision supersedes any language pertaining to the acceptance period that may appear elsewhere in this solicitation.
- (c) The PHA/IHA requires a minimum acceptance period of [Contracting Officer insert time period] calendar days.
- (d) In the space provided immediately below, bidders may specify a longer acceptance period than the PHA's/IHA's minimum requirement. The bidder allows the following acceptance period: calendar days.
- (e) A bid allowing less than the PHA's/IHA's minimum acceptance period will be rejected.
- (f) The bidder agrees to execute all that it has undertaken to do, in compliance with its bid, if that bid is accepted in writing within (1) the acceptance period stated in paragraph (c) above or (2) any longer acceptance period stated in paragraph (d) above.

# 7. Small, Minority, Women-Owned Business Concern Representation

The bidder represents and certifies as part of its bid/ offer that it -(a) [] is, [] is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121.

(b) [ ]is, [ ]is not a women-owned business enterprise. "Women-owned business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business that is at least 51 percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.

(c) [ ] is, [ ] is not a minority business enterprise. "Minority business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business which is at least 51 percent owned or controlled by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals. For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:

(Check the block applicable to you)

Black Americans	[ ] Asian Pacific Americans
[ ] Hispanic Americans	[ ] Asian Indian Americans
[ ] Native Americans	[ ] Hasidic Jewish Americans

8. Indian-Owned Economic Enterprise and Indian Organization Representation (applicable only if this solicitation is for a contract to be performed on a project for an Indian Housing Authority)

The bidder represents and certifies that it:

- (a) [ ] is, [ ] is not an Indian-owned economic enterprise. "Economic enterprise," as used in this provision, means any commercial, industrial, or business activity established or organized for the purpose of profit, which is at least 51 percent Indian owned. "Indian," as used in this provision, means any person who is a member of any tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and any "Native" as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.
- (b) [ ] is, [ ] is not an Indian organization. "Indian organization," as used in this provision, means the governing body of any Indian tribe or entity established or recognized by such governing body. Indian "tribe" means any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or

community including Native villages and Native groups (including corporations organized by Kenai, Juneau, Sitka, and Kodiak) as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

# 9. Certification of Eligibility Under the Davis-Bacon Act (applicable to construction contracts exceeding \$2,000)

- (a) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that neither it nor any person or firm who has an interest in the bidder's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded contracts by the United States Government by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (b) No part of the contract resulting from this solicitation shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible to be awarded contracts by the United States Government by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (c) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U. S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

#### Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities (applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000)

- (a) The bidder's attention is called to the clause entitled **Equal Employment Opportunity** of the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction.
- (b) "Segregated facilities," as used in this provision, means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees, that are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or otherwise.
- (c) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The bidder agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause in the contract.
- (d) The bidder further agrees that (except where it has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) prior to entering into subcontracts which exceed \$10,000 and are not exempt from the requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause, it will:
- (1) Obtain identical certifications from the proposed subcontractors;
  - (2) Retain the certifications in its files; and
- (3) Forward the following notice to the proposed subcontractors (except if the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods):

# Notice to Prospective Subcontractors of Requirement for Certifications of Nonsegregated Facilities

A Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities must be submitted before the award of a subcontract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause of the prime contract. The certification may be submitted either for each subcontract or for all subcontracts during a period (i.e., quarterly, semiannually, or annually).

**Note:** The penalty for making false statements in bids is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**11. Clean Air and Water Certification** (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

The bidder certifies that:

- (a) Any facility to be used in the performance of this contract [ ] is, [ ] is not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency List of Violating Facilities:
- (b) The bidder will immediately notify the PHA/IHA Contracting Officer, before award, of the receipt of any communication from the Administrator, or a designee, of the Environmental Protection Agency, indicating that any facility that the bidder proposes to use for the performance of the contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA List of Violating Facilities; and,
- (c) The bidder will include a certification substantially the same as this certification, including this paragraph (c), in every nonexempt subcontract.
- **12. Previous Participation Certificate** (applicable to construction and equipment contracts exceeding \$50,000)
- (a) The bidder shall complete and submit with his/her bid the Form HUD-2530, "Previous Participation Certificate." If the successful bidder does not submit the certificate with his/her bid, he/she must submit it within three (3) working days of bid opening. Failure to submit the certificate by that date may render the bid nonresponsive. No contract award will be made without a properly executed certificate.
- (b) A fully executed "Previous Participation Certificate"[ ] is, [ ] is not included with the bid.

#### 13. Bidder's Signature

The bidder hereby certifies that the information contained in these certifications and representations is accurate, complete, and current.

(Signature and Date)		
(Typed or Printed Name)		
(Title)	 	
(Company Name)		
(Company Address)		

# Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing



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#### 1. Preparation of Offers

- (a) Offerors are expected to examine the statement of work, the proposed contract terms and conditions, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the offeror's risk.
- (b) Each offeror shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. The offeror shall sign the offer and print or type its name on the cover sheet and each continuation sheet on which it makes an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the offer. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the HA.
- (c) Offers for services other than those specified will not be considered.

#### 2. Submission of Offers

- (a) Offers and modifications thereof shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (1) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (2) showing the time specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror.
- (b) Telegraphic offers will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation; however, offers may be modified by written or telegraphic notice.
- (c) Facsimile offers, modifications or withdrawals will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.

#### 3. Amendments to Solicitations

- (a) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.
- (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendments to this solicitation by
  - (1) signing and returning the amendment;
  - (2) identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on the form for submitting an offer,
  - (3) letter or telegram, or
  - (4) facsimile, if facsimile offers are authorized in the solicitation. The HA/HUD must receive the acknowledgment by the time specified for receipt of offers.

#### 4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, statement of work, etc., must request it in writing soon enough to allow a reply to reach all prospective offerors before the submission of their offers. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of the contract will not be binding. Any information given to a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an amendment of the solicitation, if that information is necessary in submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any other prospective offerors.

#### 5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

- (a) The HA shall award a contract only to a responsible prospective contractor who is able to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must -
  - (1) Have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, or the ability to obtain them;

- (2) Have a satisfactory performance record;
- (3) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics:
- (4) Have a satisfactory record of compliance with public policy (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity); and
- (5) Not have been suspended, debarred, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for award of contracts by the Department of Housing and Urban Development or any other agency of the U.S. Government. Current lists of ineligible contractors are available for inspection at the HA/HUD.
- (b) Before an offer is considered for award, the offeror may be requested by the HA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the foregoing requirements. Failure by the offeror to provide such additional information may render the offeror ineligible for award.

#### 6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

- (a) Any offer received at the place designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and it -
  - (1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);
  - (2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the HA/ HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HA/HUD after receipt at the HA;
  - (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
  - (4) Is the only offer received.
- (b) Any modification of an offer, except a modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer (if this solicitation is a request for proposals), is subject to the same conditions as in subparagraphs (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this provision.
- (c) A modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer received after the time and date specified in the request will not be considered unless received before award and the late receipt is due solely to mishandling by the HA after receipt at the HA.
- (d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both postmarks must show a legible date or the offer, modification, or withdrawal shall be processed as if mailed late. "Postmark" means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed by employees of the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service on the date of mailing. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's-eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.
- (e) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the HA is the time/date stamp of HA on the offer wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the HA.

- (f) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent by Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.
- (g) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this provision, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the HA will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- (h) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, proposals may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by a offeror or its authorized representative if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer before award. If this solicitation is an invitation for bids, bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to bid opening.

#### 7. Contract Award

- (a) The HA will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the HA, cost or price and other factors, specified elsewhere in this solicitation, considered.
- (b) The HA may
  - (1) reject any or all offers if such action is in the HA's interest,
  - (2) accept other than the lowest offer,
  - (3) waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and (4) award more than one contract for all or part of the requirements stated.
- (c) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, the HA may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

- (d) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If this solicitation is a request for proposals, before the offer's specified expiration time, the HA may accept an offer, whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award. Negotiations conducted after receipt of an offer do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the HA.
- (e) Neither financial data submitted with an offer, nor representations concerning facilities or financing, will form a part of the resulting contract.

#### 8. Service of Protest

Any protest against the award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation shall be served on the HA by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from the HA at the address shown on the cover of this solicitation. The determination of the HA with regard to such protest or to proceed to award notwithstanding such protest shall be final unless appealed by the protestor.

#### 9. Offer Submission

Offers shall be submitted as follows and shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the office specified in the solicitation. The proposal shall show the hour and date specified in the solicitation for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror, on the face of the envelope.

It is very important that the offer be properly identified on the face of the envelope as set forth above in order to insure that the date and time of receipt is stamped on the face of the offer envelope. Receiving procedures are: date and time stamp those envelopes identified as proposals and deliver them immediately to the appropriate contracting official, and only date stamp those envelopes which do not contain identification of the contents and deliver them to the appropriate procuring activity only through the routine mail delivery procedure.

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]



# **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT**

**BETWEEN** 

# HARRISBURG HOUSING AUTHORITY

AND

BY:

HARRISBURG HOUSING AUTHORITY 351 CHESTNUT STREET HARRISBURG PA 17101-2785 Telephone: 717.232.6781

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#### HARRISBURG HOUSING AUTHORITY

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT**

THIS CONTRACT, entered into as of this Housing Authority referred to as the "AGE and hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTO	ENCY" and		en the Harrisburg ated at
w	ITNESSETH:		
WHEREAS, the AGENCY desires professional services, described as the deliverent in Attachment A, Scope of Services, w	verance of		Services as set
WHEREAS, the AGENCY in engaging provide for the efficient and orderly perform			herein desires to
WHEREAS, the CONTRACTOR repres the Services as herein stated, in a manne respects;			•
WHEREAS, the AGENCY, through its has selected the CONTRACTOR who is quadescribed herein;			• •
WHEREAS, the objectives of t			•
in response to AGENCY RFP, IFB or RFQ; and	t		
WHEREAS, other related services m Contract.	ay be provide	ed in support of the S	ervices under this
NOW THEREFORE, in consideratio	n of the pre	emises, the mutual	undertakings and

benefits to accrue to the parties and to the public, the parties hereto agree as follows:

# 1. ENGAGEMENT OF THE CONTRACTOR AND CONTRACTORS RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1.01 The AGENCY hereby engages the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to faithfully and diligently perform the Services hereinafter set forth in Attachment A, Scope of Work and Response to the RFP, IFB or RFQ, in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in this Contract.
- 1.02 The CONTRACTOR shall perform in a satisfactory, expeditious, and proper manner, as shall be determined within the sole and reasonable discretion of the AGENCY, the Services as described in Attachment A. In the event that there shall be any dispute between the parties with regard to the extent, execution, character and progress of the Services to be performed or the quality of performance under this Contract, the interpretation and determination of the AGENCY shall govern.

The CONTRACTOR shall confer as necessary	and coopera	ate with the	AGENCY in order	
that the work may proceed in an efficient a	nd satisfacto	ory manner.	The Services are	deemed to
include performance of		<u></u>		

Time limits established by the schedule and approved by the AGENCY shall not, except for reasonable cause, be exceeded by the CONTRACTOR or the AGENCY unless otherwise mutually agreed in writing and set forth in an Amendment and approved by the Authorities having jurisdiction.

1.04 The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, timely completion, and coordination of all Services furnished by it or its associates under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise without delay any errors or deficiencies in its Services.

#### 2. CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 2.01 To induce the AGENCY to enter into the Contract, the CONTRACTOR represents and warrants as follows:
  - (a) The CONTRACTOR is incorporated or organized as a corporation, a limited liability company, a limited liability partnership or a partnership; is authorized to do business under the laws of the City of Harrisburg, Dauphin County, and State of Pennsylvania, and is duly qualified to perform the Services as set forth in the Contract. The CONTRACTOR'S address and chief place of business is that as set forth above on page one (1) of this Contract.
  - (b) The execution, delivery, and performance thereof are within the CONTRACTOR'S authorized powers and are not in contravention of law or the terms of the CONTRACTOR'S incorporation or organizational charter and/or bylaws.

#### 3. UNCLASSIFIED SERVICE/INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

3.01 The relationship of the CONTRACTOR to the AGENCY is to be that of an independent CONTRACTOR and no liability or benefits, such as retirement benefits or liabilities, pension rights or liabilities, insurance rights or liabilities, holiday pay, sick pay, vacation pay, personal injury or property insurance rights or liabilities arising out of a contract for hire or employer-employee relationship either express or implied shall arise or accrue to either party as the result of this agreement and undertaking. The CONTRACTOR shall, under no circumstances, represent himself/herself as an employee of the AGENCY or City of Harrisburg.

#### 4. TERM OF CONTRACT

4.01 This Contract is effective for	a period of	() months, commencing on
the date the Contract is complete	ely executed, unless	properly amended or terminated as
provided herein. The Contract ma	ay be renewed by	mutual written agreement upon its
expiration for a period of	(),	renewal periods.

- 4.02 Prior to the execution of this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall have no authority to begin work under this Contract. The AGENCY'S Contracting Officer and/or designee shall not authorize any payments to the CONTRACTOR prior to such award, nor shall the AGENCY incur any liability to reimburse the CONTRACTOR regarding any expenditure for the purchase of materials or the payment for Services prior to commencement of this Contract. The Contract shall not become effective until the Contract has been approved and signed by the authorities having jurisdiction over this Contract.
- 4.03 Upon receipt of a Notice to Proceed or Task Order, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all related services necessary for the accomplishment of the tasks delineated in the Scope of Services contained in Attachment A, Response to RFP, IFB or RFQ.

#### 5. PERSONNEL AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- 5.01 The CONTRACTOR represents that it has or shall, at its own expense, obtain all personnel required to perform the Services. All of the Services required hereunder shall be performed by the CONTRACTOR or under its supervision.
- 5.02 To ensure proper performance of the Services and a quality Work Product, the CONTRACTOR warrants that all personnel assigned to perform the services or other consultants or SUBCONTRACTORS engaged by the CONTRACTOR to perform the services, are fully qualified and authorized to perform such services under the state and local laws and governing professional association rules, if any, where such employee, SUBCONTRACTOR or consultant is employed.
- 5.03 The CONTRACTOR hereby waives any claim against the AGENCY and agrees not to hold the AGENCY liable for personal injury or property damages incurred by it, its employees or

associates under this Contract, unless it is found in a court of competent jurisdiction to be directly attributable to the gross negligence or malicious intentional conduct of an employee of the AGENCY acting within the scope of his employment. The CONTRACTOR further agrees to hold the AGENCY harmless from any such claim by its employees or associates.

- 5.04 The Contracting Officer shall manage the project unless otherwise designated in the Scope of Services.
- 5.05 No substitutes of any of the key personnel shall be made by the CONTRACTOR without the prior written consent of the AGENCY. Said consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

#### **6. COMPENSATION**

- 6.02 The intent of this Contract is for the AGENCY and the CONTRACTOR to enter into a firm fixed fee Contract with no provision for reimbursable expenses except as provided in other provisions herein.
- 6.03 Additional Services shall be provided for as set forth in Article 16 (AMENDMENTS) where applicable. Additional Services are those Services that are in addition to the Scope of Services contained in Attachment A and which require the CONTRACTOR to incur verifiable additional costs, which shall be reasonable.

Within ten (10) days after receipt of the AGENCY'S request for Additional Services, the CONTRACTOR shall be given a cost quotation and the terms and conditions, if any, for the performance of the Additional Services. In the event the AGENCY deems the CONTRACTOR'S cost quotation to be too high or its terms to be unacceptable, the AGENCY shall have the option to have the Additional Services performed by another organization of its choice.

- 6.04 When Contract payments are contingent upon receipt of grant funds, the AGENCY reserves the right to delay payments without penalty or interest until receipt of adequate funds from the AGENCY's Government-Grantor.
- 6.05 The CONTRACTOR shall maintain full and complete books, ledgers, journals, accounts, documents, and records reflecting all its operations pursuant to this Contract. The records shall be kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and principles for a minimum of three (3) years from the Contract completion date. The AGENCY and any Government-Grantor AGENCY providing funding under this Contract and/or the project to

which this Contract is related, shall have the right at any time and from time to time, without notice, to examine and audit all records and other supporting data as the AGENCY or other AGENCY Government-Grantor(s) deem necessary to receive from the CONTRACTOR or any consultants, SUBCONTRACTORS or agents rendering services under this Contract, whether direct or indirect. The CONTRACTOR shall make all records available for examination during normal business hours at its \_\_\_\_\_\_ office(s). The CONTRACTOR shall make copies of all records on request.

The CONTRACTOR agrees to include the covenants contained in this section in any Contract it has with any SUBCONTRACTOR, consultant or agent whose service shall be charged directly or indirectly to the AGENCY on this project.

# 7. METHOD OF PAYMENT

7.01 Payment for the proper performance and AGENCY approval of the Services, and Additional Services or Reimbursable Expenses, if included in Scope of Services, shall be commensurate with the scheduled progress of the work as evidenced by the timely receipt of the AGENCY approved Reports and services and shall be contingent upon receipt by the AGENCY and invoice for payment. The Invoice shall certify the total cost of the Services rendered to the project to date, the total cost of Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed, rendered to the project to date, the cost of Additional Services rendered to the project to date for that billing period. The following shall be itemized:

- (a) each expenditure and/or charge;
- (b) the services rendered pursuant thereto; and
- (c) the date such services were rendered

The appropriate receipts shall be attached. The invoices must be received by the AGENCY not more than thirty (30) days after the close of each calendar month, and signed by an authorized officer or designee of the CONTRACTOR. The invoice shall be paid on a net (30) days basis following receipt and approval of the invoice.

Along with the invoicing requirements, be advised utilization reports (affirmative action, i.e., WBE/MBE) as well as the Section 3 utilization report, (identifying training & employment opportunities afforded low-income individuals), are to be completed and submitted along with your initial invoicing. Unless the complement of staff working this contract changes, those reports will remain representative of the contract as status quo, and need only be submitted one time. Failure to provide this information may delay the processing of invoices.

Invoices for payment should be mailed to:

Contracting Officer
Harrisburg Housing Authority
351 Chestnut Street
Harrisburg PA 17101-2785

The Harrisburg Housing Authority is tax exempt. A tax exemption certificate will be furnished upon request.

7.02 Invoices and Reports shall be directed to the attention of the Contracting Officer. Checks as payment for Services rendered hereunder shall be drawn to the order of the CONTRACTOR and mailed to the CONTRACTOR at the address stated in Article 18.

The making of payments, including partial payments by the AGENCY to the CONTRACTOR in the manner aforesaid, shall vest in the AGENCY title to, and the right to take possession of all Work Products produced by the CONTRACTOR up to the time of such payments. The AGENCY shall have the right to use the same for public purposes or make any desirable alternatives thereto without other or further compensation to the CONTRACTOR or to any other person.

# 8. INDEMNITY AND DAMAGES

- 8.01 The CONTRACTOR agrees to save harmless the AGENCY against and from any and all liabilities, obligations, damages, penalties, claims, costs, charges, losses and expenses, including without limitation, fees and expenses of attorneys, expert witnesses and other consultants (at the prevailing market rate for such person or firms) which may be imposed upon, incurred by or asserted against the AGENCY by reason of any of the following occurring during the term of this Contract:
  - (a) Any negligent or tortious act, error or omission of the CONTRACTOR, or any of its Associates for whose acts any of them might be liable, regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by a person indemnified hereunder.
  - (b) Any failure by the CONTRACTOR, or any of its Associates to perform its obligations, either implied or expressed, under this Contract.

The CONTRACTOR also agrees to hold the AGENCY harmless from any and all injury to the person or damage to the property of, or any loss or expense incurred by an employee of the AGENCY which arises out of or pursuant to the CONTRACTOR'S performance or that of its Associates under this Contract.

- 8.02 The CONTRACTOR undertakes and assumes all risk of dangerous conditions, if any, in and about any AGENCY premises and agrees to make an examination of all places where said Services are to be performed in order to determine whether such places are safe for the performance of the Services. The CONTRACTOR also agrees to waive and release any claim or liability against the AGENCY for personal injuries or property damage while performing under this Contract on premises which are not owned by the AGENCY.
- 8.03 In the event any action or proceeding shall be brought against the AGENCY by reason of any claim covered hereunder, the CONTRACTOR, upon notice from the AGENCY shall at its sole cost and expense, resist and defend the same with counsel of the CONTRACTOR'S choice, if the

choice is acceptable to the AGENCY.

- 8.04 The CONTRACTOR agrees that it is its responsibility and not the responsibility of the AGENCY to safeguard the property and materials that it or any of its Associates use or have in their possession while performing under this Contract. Further, the CONTRACTOR agrees to hold the AGENCY harmless for any loss of such property and materials used by any such persons pursuant to the CONTRACTOR'S performance under this Contract or which is in their possession.
- 8.05 The indemnification obligation under this article shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by the CONTRACTOR under Worker's Compensation Acts or other employee benefit acts. In addition, the CONTRACTOR agrees to hold the AGENCY harmless from the payment of any deductible on any insurance policy.
- 8.06 The CONTRACTOR agrees that this Article shall apply to all matters described herein which occurs or arises between the CONTRACTOR or its Associates and the AGENCY.
- 8.07 For the purpose of the hold harmless and indemnity provision contained in the Contract, the term AGENCY shall be deemed to include the City of Harrisburg, Dauphin County, the Harrisburg Housing Authority, and all other associated, affiliated, allied or subsidiary entities or commission, their officers, agents, representatives and employees now existing or hereafter created.

#### 9. INSURANCE

9.01 The CONTRACTOR shall maintain at its expense during the term of this Contract the following insurance:

Worker's Compensation &	Statutory Requirements
Disability	

Bodily Injury by Accident \$1,000,000.00 policy limit

Bodily Injury by Disease \$1,000,000.00 each employee

Commercial General Liability (Occurrence Basis) Bodily Injury, personal injury, property damage, contractual liability, products/completed operations, errors & omissions.

General Aggregate (other than	
Products/Completed Operations)	\$1,000,000.00

Personal and Advertising					\$500,000.00
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Injury Limit

Each Occurrence Limit \$1,000,000.00

Fire Damage (any one fire) \$50,000.00

Medical expense limit (any one person) \$1,000,000.00

Bodily injury and property damage \$1,000,000.00 (single limit)

Errors and Omissions \$250,000.00 (each incident)

With the prior approval of the AGENCY, CONTRACTOR may substitute different limits of liability for those specified as long as the total amount of required protection is not reduced.

The Commercial General Liability Insurance policy shall name as an additional insured the Harrisburg Housing Authority, and shall state that the CONTRACTOR'S insurance is primary, with respect to the Harrisburg Housing Authority, as an additional insured, and not excess over any insurance already carried by the Harrisburg Housing Authority.

9.02 If, during the term of this Contract, changed conditions or other pertinent factors should, in the reasonable judgment of the AGENCY, render inadequate the insurance limits or types of coverage, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish or demand from its insurer such additional coverage

as may reasonably be required under the circumstances. All such insurance shall be affected at the CONTRACTOR'S expense under valid and enforceable policies, issued by insurers of recognized responsibility, which are well-rated by national rating organizations and are acceptable to the AGENCY.

9.03 All policies shall name the CONTRACTOR as the insured and shall be accompanied by a commitment from the insurer that such policies shall not be canceled, or reduced without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to the AGENCY. A Certificate of Insurance evidencing such coverage shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer prior to the commencement of performance under this Contract and at least fifteen (15) days prior to the expiration dates of expiring policies. In the event that the policies lapse and not be renewed, the contract is subject to termination.

9.04 If any work is sublet in connection with this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall require each SUBCONTRACTOR to effect and maintain the types and limits of insurance as requested by the AGENCY and shall require documentation of same, copies of which documentation shall be promptly furnished to the AGENCY.

# 10. DEFAULT AND TERMINATION

10.01 The Contract shall remain in full force and effect until terminated according to Article 4 (TERM OF CONTRACT) unless otherwise terminated for cause or convenience according to Section 10.02 and 10.03 below.

10.02 The AGENCY reserves the right to terminate this Contract for cause. Cause usually results when there is an event of default.

- (a) An event of default shall be construed as a material breach of this Contract and occurs when:
  - (1) The CONTRACTOR fails to begin work in accordance with the terms of this Contract;
  - (2) The CONTRACTOR in the judgment of the AGENCY is unnecessarily or unreasonably or willfully delaying the performance and completion of the Work Product or Services as set forth herein;
  - (3) The CONTRACTOR abandons the work or Services to be undertaken;
  - (4) The AGENCY is of the opinion that the work cannot be completed within the time herein provided or within such time as the completion has been extended, provided however that the impossibility of timely completion is in the AGENCY's judgment, attributable to conditions within the CONTRACTOR'S control;
  - (5) The CONTRACTOR, without just cause, reduces its work force to a number which, if maintained would be insufficient, in the judgment of the AGENCY, to complete the Services or work in accordance with the terms of this Contract or

within a reasonable time in keeping with the needs of the AGENCY and fails to sufficiently increase such work force when directed to do so by the AGENCY;

- (6) The CONTRACTOR assigns, transfers, conveys, or otherwise disposes of this Contract in whole or in part without prior approval of the AGENCY;
- (7) Any AGENCY officer or employee acquires an interest directly or indirectly in this Contract;
- (8) The CONTRACTOR violates any of the provisions of this Contract, or disregards applicable laws, ordinances, permits, licenses, instructions or orders dictated by the AGENCY;
- (9) The CONTRACTOR, or any of its SUBCONTRACTOR'S, assignees or employees fail in the performance of any of the conditions, terms or agreements herein contained:
- (10) The CONTRACTOR ceases to conduct business in the normal course by reason of insolvency, bankruptcy or any similar proceedings, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, filed under any present or future bankruptcy or other applicable law: or
- (11) The CONTRACTOR admits in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due.
- (b) The AGENCY shall give the CONTRACTOR notice of its default status and ground(s) thereof before contract termination. Upon receiving such notice, and within five (5) working days, the CONTRACTOR shall be given an opportunity to explain why these defaults have occurred and how they can be corrected. The AGENCY may decide (but it is under no obligation to do so) allow the CONTRACTOR a specific number of calendar days, but usually not more than fifteen (15) days, to take such remedial measures or make satisfactory arrangements to remove or eliminate the ground(s) for declaring these default.
- (c) If the AGENCY finds the CONTRACTOR'S explanation of this matter and/or the remedial steps to be taken unsatisfactory, it shall so state in writing to the CONTRACTOR, and also prepare a written report of the CONTRACTOR'S default status and include all supportive data.

<u>Notice of Termination</u> shall be sent to the CONTRACTOR at least fifteen (15) days prior to the effective date of termination, stating the ground(s) for termination and the date of termination.

If after <u>Notice of Termination</u> it is determined by the AGENCY for any reason that the CONTRACTOR was not in default under the provision of Subsection (a), the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the <u>Notice of Termination</u> had been issued pursuant to the termination for the convenience of the AGENCY.

(d) The CONTRACTOR shall be liable to the AGENCY for any damages it sustains by virtue of the CONTRACTOR'S breach including reasonable attorney's fees. The AGENCY

may withhold any payment(s) to the CONTRACTOR for the purpose of damages due to the AGENCY from the CONTRACTOR. It is expressly understood that the CONTRACTOR shall remain liable for any damages the AGENCY sustains in excess of any set off. If the Contract is so terminated, the AGENCY may take over the Services, and pursue the same to completion by Contract with another party.

Other remedies shall also be available to the AGENCY. The provisions outlined herein shall be in addition to any and all other legal or equitable remedies permissible.

10.03 The AGENCY may terminate this Contract in whole or in part for its convenience at any time, without incurring any further liability whatsoever, other than as stated in this Article. When the Contract is to be terminated for convenience, the AGENCY shall prepare a written notice establishing the fact that the Contract is to be terminated. A Notice of Termination shall be sent to the CONTRACTOR, specifying the effective date thereof at least fifteen (15) days prior to the effective date of such termination. If the Contract is so terminated, the AGENCY shall pay the CONTRACTOR only for the Services rendered; any expenses incurred prior to termination (if expenses are allowed pursuant to Section 7.02); bonafide termination settlement costs reasonably incurred by the CONTRACTOR as determined by the AGENCY relating to commitments (which had become firm prior to the termination) but only to the extent that the CONTRACTOR could not have mitigated same; and such other compensation which, in the judgment of the AGENCY, represents a fair value of the Services provided less the amount of any previous payments made, which payment the CONTRACTOR agrees shall constitute full and complete payment and upon acceptance constitutes an accord and satisfaction of any and all claims of whatsoever kind or nature under this Contract. Should the AGENCY or the AGENCY's designee undertake any part of the Services which are to be performed by the AGENCY or its designee, the CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any compensation for the services so performed. The parties expressly agree that no payments under this Article shall exceed the maximum sum payable provision in Article 6 (COMPENSATION).

10.04 After receipt of a Notice of Termination and except as otherwise directed by the AGENCY, the CONTRACTOR shall:

- (a) Stop work under the Contract on the date and to the extent specified in the Notice of Termination:
- (b) Obligate no additional Contract funds for payroll costs and other costs beyond such date as the AGENCY shall specify, and place no further orders on subcontracts for materials, services or facilities, except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under this Contract as if not terminated;
- (c) Terminate any and all orders and subcontracts to the extent that they relate to the portion of work so terminated;
- (d) As of the date the termination is effective, preserve all Contract records and submit to the AGENCY such records and reports as the AGENCY shall specify, and furnish to the AGENCY an inventory of all furnishings, equipment, and other property purchased for

the Contract, if any, and carry out such directives as the AGENCY may issue concerning the safeguarding or disposition of files and other property; and

(e) Submit within thirty (30) days a final report of receipts and expenditures of funds relating to this Contract and a list of all creditors, SUBCONTRACTORS, lessors, and/or other parties with which the CONTRACTOR has incurred financial obligations pursuant to this Contract.

#### 11. ASSIGNMENT

11.01 The CONTRACTOR shall not assign, transfer, convey, encumber, or otherwise dispose of any interest whatsoever in this Contract, indirectly or directly (whether by assignment or novation), without the prior written consent of the AGENCY. Said written consent shall define the terms of any agreed assignment.

#### 12. SUBCONTRACTING

- 12.01 None of the services covered by this Contract shall be subcontracted without the prior written approval of the AGENCY and any AGENCY Government-Grantor, if required. The AGENCY reserves the right to withhold approval of subcontracting such portions of the work or services, which the AGENCY may deem, is not in the AGENCY's best interest.
- 12.02 Each subcontract entered into shall provide that the provisions of this Contract shall apply to the SUBCONTRACTOR and his officers, agents and employees in all respects as if it and they were employees of the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR agrees to bind each SUBCONTRACTOR and each SUBCONTRACTOR shall agree to be bound by the terms of the Contract insofar as applicable to its work or Services.
- 12.03 The CONTRACTOR and the SUBCONTRACTOR, jointly and severally, agree that no approval by the AGENCY of any proposed SUBCONTRACTOR, nor any subcontract, nor anything in this Contract shall create or be deemed to create any rights in favor of the SUBCONTRACTOR against the AGENCY, nor shall it be deemed or construed to impose upon the AGENCY an obligation, liability or duty to a SUBCONTRACTOR, or to create any contractual relationship whatsoever between a SUBCONTRACTOR and the AGENCY.
- 12.04 The CONTRACTOR agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the AGENCY from any claims initiated against the AGENCY pursuant to any subcontracts it enters into in performance of this Contract. The AGENCY's approval of any SUBCONTRACTOR shall not relieve the CONTRACTOR of any of its responsibilities, duties and liabilities hereunder. The CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible to the AGENCY for the acts or defaults of its SUBCONTRACTOR and of each of SUBCONTRACTOR'S officers, agents, and employees, each of who will, for this purpose be deemed to be the agent or employee of the CONTRACTOR by nature of its subcontract.
- 12.05 Any SUBCONTRACTORS, outside associates, or consultants required by the CONTRACTOR in connection with the services covered by the Contract shall be limited to individuals or firms that were specifically identified in the AGENCY-approved CONTRACTOR'S final proposal.

12.06 The CONTRACTOR shall take all steps necessary to ensure that, whenever possible, subcontracts are awarded to minority firms and women's business enterprises.

# 13. CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND NON-COLLUSION/NON-IDENTITY/NON-INTEREST

13.01 The CONTRACTOR covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the services under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR further covenants that in the performance of this Contract, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

The CONTRACTOR further covenants that no officer, agent or employee of the AGENCY and no other public official who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or approval of the undertaking or carrying out of this Contract has any personal or financial interest, direct or indirect, in the Contract or in the proceeds thereof, via corporate entity, partnership or otherwise. An executed Certificate of Non Organizational Conflict of Interest shall be attached and incorporated by reference to this Contract.

- 13.02 The CONTRACTOR warrants that to the best of its information, knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest with AGENCY.
- 13.03 The CONTRACTOR agrees that, if after award of the Contract, it discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this Contract, it shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the AGENCY which shall include a description of the action which the CONTRACTOR has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The AGENCY may terminate the Contract for convenience if it would be in the best interest of the AGENCY.
- 13.04 The CONTRACTOR also hereby warrants that it shall not and has not employed any person to solicit or secure this Contract upon any agreement or arrangement for payment of a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, other than bona fide employees working solely for the CONTRACTOR, directly or indirectly and that if this warranty is breached, the AGENCY may, at its option, terminate this Contract without penalty, liability or obligation or may, at its election, deduct from any amounts owed to the CONTRACTOR hereunder any amounts of such commission, percentage or contingent fee.
- 13.05 The CONTRACTOR covenants not to employ an employee of the AGENCY for a period of one (1) year after the date of termination of this Contract without AGENCY approval.

## 14. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

14.01 In order that the CONTRACTOR may effectively fulfill its covenants and obligations under this Contract, it may be necessary or desirable for the AGENCY to disclose confidential and proprietary information to the CONTRACTOR or its associates pertaining to the AGENCY's past,

present and future activities. The CONTRACTOR shall instruct its associates to regard all information gained by each such person as a result of the services to be performed hereunder, as information which is proprietary to the AGENCY and not to be disclosed to any organization or individual without the prior written consent of the AGENCY.

14.02 The CONTRACTOR agrees to take appropriate action with respect to its associates to ensure that the obligations of non-use and nondisclosure of confidential information of this Contract can be fully satisfied.

# 15. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

15.01 The CONTRACTOR shall comply with, and shall require its associates to comply with, all (a) applicable Federal, state and local laws, ordinances, code(s), regulations and policies.

15.02 The CONTRACTOR shall hold the AGENCY harmless with respect to any damages arising from any violations of a Federal, state or local law, ordinance, code, regulation or policy by it or its associate(s). The CONTRACTOR shall commit no trespass on any public or private property in performing any of the Services encompassed by this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall require, as part of any subcontract, that SUBCONTRACTORS comply with all such laws and regulations.

# **16. AMENDMENTS**

16.01 The AGENCY may consider it in its best interest to change, modify or extend a term, condition or covenant of this Contract or require the CONTRACTOR to perform additional services that are not contained within the Scope of Services as set forth in Attachment A.

16.02 Any such change, addition, deletion, extension or modification of Services may require that the compensation paid to the CONTRACTOR by the AGENCY be proportionately adjusted, (increase or decrease), to reflect such modification in the Scope of Services. If the AGENCY and CONTRACTOR mutually agree to any change or modification of this Contract, the modification shall be incorporated by written amendments to this Contract.

- 16.04 Amendments incorporated hereafter shall not invalidate this Contract nor relieve or release the CONTRACTOR unless expressly stated therein.
- 16.05 No Amendment to this Contract shall be effective and binding upon the parties unless it expressly makes reference to this Contract, is in writing and is signed and acknowledged by duly authorized representatives of both parties, executed by the Contracting Officer and is approved and executed by the President.

16.06 The parties herein acknowledge that the Scope of Services provided for herein is exclusive and exhaustive as provided in Attachment A, Scope of Services. CONTRACTOR herein acknowledges that it has no authority to expand the Scope of Services or to work beyond the contractual completion date without the expressed written consent of the AGENCY. If prior to receipt of written approval, CONTRACTOR works beyond scope of services or works beyond the completion/expiration date, CONTRACTOR does so at its own risk and will have no right to compensation in law and/or in equity.

#### 17. FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

17.01 In accordance with the U.S. Constitution and all federal legislation and regulations governing fair employment practices and equal employment opportunity including, but not limited to Title VI and the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352, 78 STAT. 252), and the U.S. Department of Justice Regulations (28 C.F.R. Part 42) issued pursuant to that Title; and in accordance with the Pennsylvania Constitution and all state laws and regulations governing fair employment practices and equal employment opportunity, including but not limited to the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act the CONTRACTOR agrees that it shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, height, weight, marital status or handicap that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular assignment or position. The CONTRACTOR hereby recognizes the right of the United States and the State of Pennsylvania to seek judicial enforcement of the foregoing covenant against discrimination, against itself or its SUBCONTRACTORS connected directly or indirectly with the performance of this Contract.

17.02 The CONTRACTOR agrees that it shall notify any SUBCONTRACTOR(S) of the obligations relative to nondiscrimination under this Contract when soliciting a subcontractor, and shall include the provision of this Article 17 in any subcontract, as well as provide the AGENCY a copy of any subcontract upon request.

17.03 Breach of the terms and conditions of this Article 17 shall constitute a material breach of this Contract and may be governed by the provisions of Article 10 (DEFAULT AND TERMINATION).

17.04 The CONTRACTOR shall post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment the Notices to be provided by the Contracting Officer that explains this clause. The CONTRACTOR shall, in all solicitations or advertisements of employment placed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR, state that all qualified applicants shall receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

17.05 Where applicable, the CONTRACTOR shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, the Notice to be provided by the Contracting Officer advising the labor union or worker's representative of the CONTRACTOR'S commitments under this clause, and post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

17.06 The CONTRACTOR shall comply with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.

17.07 Where applicable, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246, as amended any rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto. The CONTRACTOR shall permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

17.08 In the event of a determination that the CONTRACTOR is not in compliance with this clause or any rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, this Contract may be canceled, terminated, deemed null and void, or suspended in whole or in part, and the CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts, or federally assisted construction contracts under the procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246, as amended. In addition, sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked against the CONTRACTOR as provided in Executive Order 11246, as amended, the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or otherwise provided by law.

17.09 The CONTRACTOR shall include the terms and conditions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued under Executive Order 11246, as amended, so that these terms and conditions shall be binding upon each SUBCONTRACTOR or vendor. The CONTRACTOR shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Secretary of HUD or the Secretary of Labor may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance; provided that if the CONTRACTOR becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation with a SUBCONTRACTOR or vendor as a result of such direction, the CONTRACTOR may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

## 18. NOTICES

18.01 All notices, consents, approvals, requests and other communications (herein collectively called Notices) required or permitted under this Contract shall be given in writing and mailed by first-class mail and addressed as follows:

If to the AGENCY:	
	Harrisburg Housing Authority 351 Chestnut Street Harrisburg PA 17101-2785
Attention:	Senghor A. Manns President/Agency Counsel
If to the CONTRACTOR:	

18.02 All Notices shall be deemed given on the day of mailing. Either party to this Contract may change its address for the receipt of Notices at any time by giving notice thereof to the other as herein provided. Any Notice given by a party hereunder must be signed by an authorized representative of such party.

18.03 Notwithstanding the requirement above as to the use of first-class mail, change of address notices, termination notices or other notices of a legal nature shall be sent by each party to this Contract by certified first-class mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested.

## 19. WAIVER

19.01 The AGENCY shall not be deemed to have waived any of its rights under this Contract unless such waiver is in writing and signed by the AGENCY.

19.02 No delay or omission on the part of the AGENCY in exercising any right shall operate as a waiver of such right or any other right. A waiver on any one (1) occasion shall not be construed as a waiver of any right on any future occasion.

19.03 No failure by the AGENCY to insist upon the strict performance of any covenant, agreement, term or condition of this Contract or to exercise any right, term or remedy upon a breach thereof shall constitute a waiver of any such breach or such covenant, agreement, term and condition.

# 20. MISCELLANEOUS

20.01 If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall to any extent be invalid or unenforceable it shall be stricken from this Contract and the remainder of this Contract or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is invalid or unenforceable shall not be affected thereby. Each provision of this Contract shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

20.02 This instrument, including all Attachments attached hereto, which are made a part of this Contract contains the entire agreement between the parties and all prior negotiations and agreements are merged herein. Neither the AGENCY nor the AGENCY's Agents have made any representation except those expressly set forth herein, and no rights or remedies are or shall be acquired by the CONTRACTOR by implication or otherwise unless expressly set forth herein. The CONTRACTOR hereby waives any defense it may have to the validity of the execution of this Contract.

20.03 In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1437j, the CONTRACTOR shall pay not less than wages prevailing in the locality, as determined or adopted (subsequent to a determination under applicable state or local law) by the Secretary of HUD, to all professional, technical, executive, supervisory and administrative employees. The CONTRACTOR shall furnish to the AGENCY, with each statement submitted for services entered, certifications to such compliance.

20.04 In the event that the AGENCY has notice of underpayment of wages required to be paid under the requirement above, the AGENCY may withhold from the CONTRACTOR, out of the payment due, any or all amounts until the appropriate wages have been paid to such employees by the CONTRACTOR.

20.05 The CONTRACTOR shall be prohibited from placing a lien on the AGENCY'S property. This prohibition shall apply to all SUBCONTRACTORS.

#### 21. CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM SELECTION

21.01 This agreement shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Pennsylvania and, for the purpose of resolving any issue pertaining to conflict of laws, this agreement shall be deemed to be fully and solely executed, performed and/or observed in the State of Pennsylvania. The parties hereto expressly consent to personal jurisdiction in the State of Pennsylvania in any action or proceeding brought in any court therein, state or federal, arising from alleging facts arising from the transaction contemplated herein.

# 22. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 3 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

22.01 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. 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. 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 worker's 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 the 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. 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 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 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. The CONTRACTOR will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the CONTRACTOR is selected but 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 135. 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. 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).



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# All of which is Agreed to by the undersigned on the dates indicated below

Harrisburg Housing Authority	Company
351 Chestnut Street	Address
Harrisburg Pennsylvania PA 17101	
Ву:	Ву:
Senghor A. Manns	
Title: President	
Date:	
Copy:	
Contract file	