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Experts Weigh In on Bilingual Best Practices for Jobsites



Several studies have found significantly higher occupational-injury rates among Hispanic and immigrant workers. PHOTO COURTESY OF GETTY IMAGES

By Jim Parsons,

It's the rare construction firm that doesn't cite people as its most important resource. And over the past two decades, that asset has become increasingly bilingual. Indeed, more than 27% of workers in construction are Hispanic or of Latino ethnicity, according to the most recent available data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

For many contractors, particularly larger firms and those in the Southwest, where worksite banter has long been a mix of Spanish and English, conducting jobsite tasks in both languages is largely second nature.

But as the population of Hispanic construction workers has grown and expanded to other parts of the country, contractors appear to have minimal guidance for ensuring that otherwise capable members of their workforce fully understand what's expected of them, how work can be performed safely and how they can refine and enhance key skills.

"It used to be that a worker had to be proficient in English to step on a jobsite," observes Paul Goodrum, a professor in construction engineering and management at the University of Colorado and a specialist in researching industry demographics. Some companies have formulated their own policies as those barriers have fallen, he adds, "but there's really no formal set of best practices for managing a bilingual workforce."

Instinct and experience may be sufficient for some aspects of managing employees who speak English as a second language, but those methods may not be enough in critical areas such as safety. Numerous studies have found significantly higher occupational-injury rates among Hispanic and immigrant workers. And of the 991 U.S. private-sector construction-related fatalities recorded in 2016, 29% involved Hispanic workers.

Research by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has uncovered several contributing factors to this statistic, with both employers and workers citing language difficulties as the biggest obstacle to conveying safety information.

The inherent risks of construction work can also be compounded by immigrant workers' unfamiliarity with certain tasks and standard safety procedures as well as work styles that differ from what their employer requires. But the challenge works both ways, according to NIOSH. Immigrant workers frequently report receiving little or no on-the-job safety training at all.

Goodrum notes that not all barriers to understanding may be readily obvious. "Trainees may speak Spanish but have little formal education," he explains. "Their ability to read and comprehend Spanish in written form may be limited."

Cirse Ruiz, a project manager with the Hispanic American Construction Industry Association (HACIA), says in urban areas that problem can affect small and midsize contractors who cannot afford union dues, and therefore aren't bound by the organizations' safety-training requirements.

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Robert Rosas

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The 7 Deadly Sins of **Construction Business Owners**

By Aubrey Barlow,

Here's a quick fact. Nearly 70% of contractors fail in first 7 years of doing business. Studies show that the reason contractor business owners fail is not from a lack of skill, but from a lack of good business management practices. The following "7 deadly sins" include the biggest mistakes contractors make in business.

1. Failure to Plan. Too many contractors go to work just planning the next week, month, or job. In order to grow your business to the level you want, you're going to need a plan. It doesn't have to be too complicated, but it needs to hit some basic points about what your business does. Such as:

- What services do you offer?
- Who is your ideal customer?
- How will your business bring value to your customers?
- How much do you charge?
- How will your customers pay you?
- When will your customer pay you?
- How will customers learn about your services?
- How will you get referrals?
- What's your annual net income goal?

Don't feel overwhelmed by these questions. Even if you take out a piece of scratch paper and write a 3-4 sentence paragraph for each question, you are off to a great start!

2. Improper Accounting.

Having an accountant who knows the ins-and-outs of the construction industry can make or break your business. In order to make a profit, you have to track your expenses meticulously, budget bids accurately and calculate insurance premiums correctly. Some basics you should be keeping track of include:

- Time card accuracy
- Work accomplished on jobs
- Time spent on different aspects of a project (i.e. framing, drywall, electrical, etc.)

Proper accounting improves the bidding process and increases your ability to get the next job. Transferring that information from the field to the office is also critical. Estimators and accountants are counterproductive if they don't have accurate information to do their jobs. To find a qualified construction accountant in your area check out CICPAC, they have a directory of accountants that specialize in construction.

3. Getting into Bidding Wars.

How are you creating your bids... shooting from the hip? Are they based on a rough estimate from past jobs?

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- REBAR
- CONCRETE
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DBE Goal 13%

BID DATE: February 28, 2018 @ 2:00 p.m.

Sub & Vendor Scopes and Bids Due Prior

Sukut Construction, LLC

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Research old jobs to identify the cost of each portion of the job. For example, if you're an excavator, how much did it cost you to dig a deep trench cost versus a shallow trench?

4. Not Keeping a Steady Flow of Clients.

No customers means no business. Its extremely important to generate new business in order for your construction business to thrive. The construction business relies on referrals. Many contractors don't even advertise, and survive simply off their reputation and the referrals they get from past clients.

Customers love to know the progress on their construction projects. For some clients it will be their own custom house and for others it will be the commercial building they're going to build their business empire in.

An easy way to keep customers updated on the progress of their project is to take mobile photos as work is completed, and email them.

5. Making Too Many Mistakes.

You know having to redo work sucks. It is very costly and adds time to the job. Mistakes like this can be avoided with proper communication. How are your crew members getting directions from the office?

Do you have a system that is simple to track and use? Instead of relying on the old form of communication, use a simple task manager. This will keep your employees accountable and you organized.

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6. Not being unique.

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What's your competitive edge? The most successful companies are always looking for something that makes them stand out.

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7. Using Paper Time Cards

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Skanska, an equal opportunity employer, is interested in soliciting in Good Faith all subcontractors and suppliers as well as certified Disadvantage Business Enterprises (DBE) companies for this project. All interested subcontractors, supliers, please indicate all lower tier DBE participation offered on your quotation as it will be evaluated with your price. Please call if we can assist you in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies. Skanska will also review breaking out scope packages and adjusting schedules to help permit maximum participation. Plans and Specifications are available for view at our main office in Riverside (Please call or email for appointment) or on the Orange County Transportation Authority Webpage; https://cammnet.octa.net, Procurements, Construction of the OC Streetcar Project, Solicitation Number #71904

Quotes requested for Subcontractors, suppliers and service providers include but are not limited to the following work categories:

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PROJECT NAME: 1950 Mission Street BID DATE: March 9th, 2018 at 2:00 PM Swinerton

Contact: Dolores Aguirre Tel: (415) 421-2980 Fax: (415) 984-1304 EMAIL TO: Daguirre@swinerton.com

Swinerton is requesting quotations from certified Small Businesses. The project has a 20% SBE goal, which will be monitored by CMD (contract monitoring division). Provide "Local Hiring and Business Program Requirements". Building Construction Estimate is: \$71.5M

Scopes: Fire Suppression (Design Build), Abatement, Deep

<u>Scopes:</u> Fire Suppression (Design Build), Abatement, Deep Foundation (Design Build)

Project Description:

The 1950 Mission street project is a 157 BMR unit rental project. The project consists of 2 buildings, 1-9 story building and 1-5 story building connected by an open air bridge on levels 2 through 5. The ground floor has a plaza connecting the buildings and the buildings contain a mixture of future retail spaces, a future café, property management offices and support areas, artists' studios and a mixture of community non-profit providers. The upper levels are dedicated to residential units. The building frame consists of CIP concrete structure on deep foundations in the BART zone of influence. Assume project starts on October of 2018.

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Bids: 2/27/2018 at 2:00 PM

DBE sub-bids requested for: Traffic Control, Saw-cutting, Trucking Paving and Concrete sidewalk

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8am every morning and clock them out at 5pm every day. While the standard work week is typically 40 hours, the typical employee does not put in 40 hours of work per week.

Here's an example to put it in perspective:

After every week crew members have to rack their brain to fill out their time cards. More often than not a team member will simply put he was on the job at 8 am. When he really showed up at 8:17. Then when lunch rolls around he puts a 30 minute lunch break on his time card, not remembering the actual time he took for lunch. Then he puts 5:00 pm for clock out time, weather he left at 4:45 or not.

On average this adds up an extra 42 minutes per day of rounding and padding time cards.

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With little financial flexibility and minimal profit margins, Ruiz adds, human resources services are secondary to getting the job done.

"They have to get by with what they have, and sometimes that means tools with bad electrical cords and no proper safety equipment," she says. "Their excuse is that it's a very small job and no OSHA inspectors will show up.

However, Christine M. Branche, director of NIOSH's Office of Construction Safety and Health, notes that focusing on language alone may lead contractors to overlook cultural differences that can affect how non-Englishspeaking workers understand, adapt to and address work-related safety concerns. Examples include "showing off" their productivity to secure or retain a job and being reluctant to speak up about potential safety risks for fear of attracting unwanted attention.

Mutual Understanding

Still, no contractor can hope to ensure a productive and safe workplace for a bilingual workforce without the ability to communicate.

Branche identifies several possible best practices for overcoming language barriers, beginning with choosing the best English speaker among non-English-speaking employees to serve as a translator for other workers.

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- Christine M. Branche, Director, Office of Construction Safety and Health, NIOSH

"If possible, safety professionals should consider having someone translate for them in real time," she adds. Similarly, conducting daily and on-the-spot safety training in both English and Spanish "will prevent 'lost-in-translation' occurrences."

A frequently cited example of bilingual construction safety training is a 40-hour course created for a major expansion program at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport in the early 2000s. Prime contractors Hensel Phelps and Austin Commercial worked with a local training and development consultant to incorporate elements that helped overcome many common barriers. Those elements included bilingual instructors and curriculum developers; understanding and addressing cultural barriers, including those among different Hispanic communities; and verifying learning by having students replicate specific practices multiple times.

Contractors may want to consider going a step further, Branche says, by providing language classes in both English and Spanish. "All workers will have the opportunity to improve their communication skills and even their economic situation if proficiency with a second language is rewarded by a salary increase or a promotion," she says.



Pictograms and images with simple sentences or no words at all also can help convey important safety information. Mike Pappas, associate director for funded studies at the Construction Industry Institute, cites Shell Oil's "12 Life-Saving Rules" as a highly effective example of a useful way to reach all workers, including native-English speakers who may have limited formal education.

Goodrum believes that many successful construction safety-culture tactics transcend all languages.

"Love of family is a universal concept," he says. "Encouraging workers to get to know each other better and put family photos in helmets and badges is a powerful reminder to help each other get home safely."

The Center for Construction Research and Training (CPWR) has likewise collected several recent studies and programs to address safety and health risks among Hispanic and Latino workers. Techniques for providing safety information ranged from on-site training to incorporating a plotline about fall protection into a popular Spanish-language telenovela, or soap opera.

CPWR also cites a Philadelphia study on the use of social media to convey safety messages that found that text messages sent during work hours were more effective than a specially developed Facebook page. Both were most effective when augmented with face-to-face interaction and training related to the message. The study also found that workers wanted information on how to report hazardous worksites without jeopardizing their jobs, on safe tools and equipment and on workers' compensation rights and responsibilities.

Bilingual Management Toolbox

While there are some established strategies for making construction sites safer for workers of all languages, other areas—such as developing skills and training, project delivery, etc.—will almost certainly require creating a set of best practices as the presence of Hispanics in the workforce continues to grow. A 2015 study by Lexington, Mass.-based research organization HIS predicts that Hispanics will account for 75% of U.S. job growth between 2020 and 2034.

How the nation's immigration policies unfold may alter those trends somewhat, but it's "certainly an issue that contractors need to be aware of," Pappas says. He adds that Hispanic demographics in construction also are poised for change. "Language may be less of an issue for the children and grandchildren of immigrants who were raised in the U.S. and are more integrated with our culture," he says.

Indeed, Ruiz says a younger generation of Hispanic workers are already starting to take over the small construction businesses started by their parents. "They are more open to training their employees to avoid human casualties and stiff penalties," he says.

But Goodrum would like to see greater investment in secondary education and overall training so that all students—Hispanic and non-Hispanic alike—are better equipped to learn and acquire skills that will be more in demand in the coming years.

"That," he says, "is where success in the industry begins."

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Requests sub-bids from qualified Subcontractor, Consultants, and/or Suppliers seeking to participate in the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District of Sacramento County, Tertiary Treatment Facilities Project (TTF) Project in Elk Grove, CA.

> http://www.epa.gov / http://www.sba.gov / www.californiaucp.org

Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following project: Tertiary Treatment Facilities Project Contract No. 4283

> Owner: Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District

Bid Date: February 28, 2018 @ 1:00 P.M.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Women Business Enterprise (WBE), Small Business Enterprise (SBE), Small Business in a Rural Area (SBRA), Labor Surplus Area Firm (LSAF), or Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Zone Businesses wanted for the following scopes, including, but not limited to:

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Subcontractor and Supplier Scopes are due February 16, 2018 and Quotes NO LATER THAN February 27, 2018 at 4 PM.

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All subcontractors that are registered in our SBN database will receive an invitation to bid. Please visit http://www. kiewit.com/districts/northern-california/overview.aspx to register your company to be able to receive bidding information.

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Requests sub-bids from qualified California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), Subcontractors,

Consultants, and/or Suppliers seeking to participate in the City of Stockton, Woodward Island Bridge Project in San Joaquin County, CA.

http://www.dot.ca.gov/obeo/index.html

Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following project: Woodward Island Bridge Replacement Federal

Project No. BRNBIF-5929 (154) Owner: City of Stockton Bid Date: March 1, 2018 at 1:30 P.M.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs)

Wanted for the following scopes, including, but not limited to:

AC Paving, Aggregates, Biologist, Bridge Bearings, Cable Railing, Minor Concrete, CIDH/CISS, Concrete Supply, Concrete Reinforcement, Prestressing Concrete, Post Tensioning, Structural Concrete, Precast Concrete, Concrete Forming, Concrete Pumping, Concrete Washouts, Clear & Grub, Demolition, Earthwork, Electrical/Lighting System, Erosion Control, Fish Protection, Hydroseeding, Joint Sealant, K Rail, Marine Navigational Equipment , Metals, Painting & Coatings, Pavement Markings, Piling, Pipe Supply, Quality Control, Structural Steel, Street Sweeping, SWPPP, Signage, Surveying, Temp Facilities/Offices, Traffic Control, Trucking & Hauling, Underwater Acoustic Monitoring & Water Truck.

Bonding, insurance and any technical assistance or information related to the plans or specification and requirements for the work will be made available to interested certified, DBE suppliers and subcontractors.

Assistance with obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or services for this project will be offered to interested certified suppliers and subcontractors. Subcontractor and Supplier Scores are due

Subcontractor and Supplier Scopes are due February 23, 2018 and Quotes NO LATER THAN February 28, 2018 at 5 PM.

Plans are available for viewing at our office at our address below and through SmartBidNet (SBN).

All subcontractors that are registered in our SBN database will receive an invitation to bid. Please visit http://www. kiewit.com/districts/northern-california/overview.aspx to register your company and to be able to receive bidding information, view plans and specifications.

You can view the plans in our office during regular business hours by appointment.

Performance Bond and Payment Bonds may be required for subcontractors and a suppliers bond for suppliers.

Davis-Bacon Act Applies

Buy America Requirements Apply An Equal Opportunity Employer CA Lic. 433176 DIR # 1000001147





Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. (Kiewit) 10704 Shoemaker Ave., Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 Tel: (562) 946-1816, Fax: (562) 946-3823 Contact: Julien Jeannel at julien.jeannel@kiewit.com

Kiewit is seeking sub-quotes from Local Business Enterprise (LBE) firms; compliant with West Basin Municipal Water District's "Local Business Enterprise Policy Compliance" and all other business enterprises to perform as Subcontractors and Material Vendors/Suppliers.

Project Owner: West Basin Municipal Water District

Project Name: Juanita Millender-McDonald CRWRP Phase 2 Expansion Project

Project Location: 21029 South Wilmington Ave, Carson, CA

Bid Due Date: March 15, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. PST

The project consists of the following principal work items at the WEST BASIN JMMCRWRP TESORO EXPAN-SION PROJECT: a) Installation of a 2.0 MGD Tertiary Membrane Bioreactor system; b) Installation of a new 5.88 MGD custom engineered microfiltration system to replace the existing facilities; c) Tie-in to existing offsite potable water line for backup supplies; d) Installation of a 600 kW standby generator; e) Installation of a carbon dioxide storage and dosing system; f) Associated civil, structural, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, controls, system integration, and instrumentation upgrades; g) System performance testing and startup activities.

Note that the MBR scope of this project includes State Revolving Funding (SRF) and therefore requires the use of iron and steel products that are produced in the United States. See https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/state-revolvingfund-american-iron-and-steel-ais-requirement for more information on this requirement.

Kiewit is currently requesting subcontractor and/or supplier quotes for:

Stone pier subgrade enhancement ground modification system, ductile iron pipes, reinforced concrete pipes, plastic pipes, HDPE pipes, asphalt paving contractors, fences/gates/guardrails, landscaping contractors, ready mix suppliers, rebar contractors, precast concrete manholes, masonry contractors, metals, stainless steel and steel fabricated pipes, metal decks, damp proofing and waterproofing, sheet metal roofing, metal doors and frames, overhead doors, painting contractors, louvers and vents, supply and treatment pumps, mixers, water aeration equipment, chemical feed equipment, hydraulic gates & valves, aeration equipment, pre-engineered structures, FRP tanks, bridge cranes, pipe hangers and support, valves, HVAC contractors, electrical contractors and packaged engine generator systems.

All responsive subcontractors must possess a valid California Contractor's license, be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), and provide acceptable insurance. Responsible subcontractors and material contractors will be required to provide bonding for 100% of their contract value. Bond premium will be reimbursed by Kiewit. Subcontractors performing any on-site work must be signatory to the appropriate union labor agreements that govern its work. Subcontractors, Consultants, Professional Service Firms, and Material Vendors/Suppliers must be able to accept all terms and conditions of the project under its resultant agreement.

Kiewit intends to conduct itself in good faith with all firms regarding participation on this project. For further information, to discuss your specialty or scope of work, the requirements of the contract, licensing, project scheduling, insurance or bonding, please contact Julien Jeannel. Plans and specifications are available for review at the address listed herein and through SmartBidNet by contacting Kiewit.

Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage qualified women, minorities, veterans, individuals with disabilities, and other to apply.

Public Legal Notices

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE MEDICAL CENTER

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR INSPECTOR OF RECORD SERVICES FOR THE UC IRVINE MEDICAL CENTER PROJECTS

Prequalification Questionnaires will be received by the University of California, Irvine Medical Center (UCIMC) from general contractors wishing to submit bids for a lump sum contract for the:

Building 1A, 1st Floor, ED Renovation – Increment 2 Project No. 994641

PREQUALIFICATION: The University has determined that bidders must be prequalified for this project.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Enclose the previously abandoned canopy area on the north side of the Emergency Department and convert the new space into emergency exam rooms, exam bays, a nurse station, staff and patient restrooms, a staff lounge, outdoor patio area, clean supply room, and storage areas.

PROJECT COMPLETION TIME: 240 - 360 days.

ESTIMATED COST: \$1,700,000

PROCEDURES: Prequalification Questionnaires available Tuesday, February 20, 2018, 2:00 PM. Contact Elita Dao, (714) 456-8842, ecjohnso@uci. edu or Kim Kerwin, (714) 456-5735, khau@uci. edu **MANDATORY PREQUALIFICATION CON-FERENCE:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at UCIMC, Building 22A (Library Auditorium), Room 2107, 101 The City Drive South, Orange, CA 92868, beginning promptly at 9:30 AM.

QUESTIONNAIRE DUE DATE: Questionnaires must be received by Friday, March 9, 2018 at 4:00 PM only at UCIMC, Planning Administration, Building 27, Room 136, 101 The City Drive South, Orange, CA 92868.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS: Must meet license, insurance, bonding, safety, financial and claims history requirements. Must have completed a minimum of four projects in the last five years with a minimum construction cost of \$1,000,000 as follows: Two (2) projects requiring infection control constructed in a fully operational/occupied hospital or outpatient facility; and two (2) Interior renovation or facility expansion projects constructed in or adjacent to patient care areas of an OSHPD 1 facility. Bidders not meeting the requirements of the prequalification questionnaire will not be eligible to bid.

LICENSE REQUIREMENT: Current and active California CSLB "B" General Contractor's license.

Prequalification is solely for the purpose of determining bidders who are deemed capable of successful performance of the type of work included in this project. A contract will be awarded to the prequalified bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid.

The University reserves the right to reject any or all responses to this notice, to waive non-material irregularities, and to deem Contractors prequalified to submit proposals for the project. To prequalify, Contractors must agree to comply with all bid conditions including state prevailing wages, 10% bid bond, 100% payment and performance bonds, and insurance requirements. All information submitted for prequalification evaluation will be considered official information acquired in confidence, and the University will maintain its confidentiality to the extent permitted by law.

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law or University policy. Each Proposer may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy.

No contractor or subcontractor, regardless of tier, may be listed on a Bid for, or engage in the performance of, any portion of this project, unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 and 1771.1.

This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

The successful Bidder shall pay all persons providing construction services and/or any labor on site, including any University location, no less than the UC Fair Wage (defined as \$13 per hour as of 10/1/15, \$14 per hour as of 10/1/16, and \$15 per hour as of 10/1/17) and shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local working condition requirements.

For other opportunities, please visit http://www.ucirvinehealth.org/planning-administration

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS LEASE-LEASEBACK CONSTRUCTION SER-VICES RFO/P #007-17

Oakland Unified School District ("District") is seeking proposals from qualified persons, firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, or professional organizations to provide constructability review, value engineering, master scheduling, site logistic planning, cost estimating, budgeting and construction services for the development and construction for the Claremont Middle School Kitchen Repair and Synthetic Turf Field ("Project") in accordance with the lease-leaseback structure set forth in Education Code section 17406 et seq.

The Request for Qualifications and Proposals ("RFQ/P"), which includes instructions for its completion, is available at the District website (www.ousd.org) for your consideration. According to the specifications contained in this RFQ/P, Respondents to this RFQ/P shall submit a completed Statement of Qualifications ("SOQ") along with the Proposal (collectively "RFQ/P Packet").

Respondents must mail or deliver five (5) bound copies, one (1) unbound copy, and one (1) electronic copy on CD or USB flash drive of the RFQ/P Packet conforming to the requirements of this RFQ/P to:

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Cesar Monterrosa, Director Facilities Planning & Management 955 High Street, Oakland, CA 94601 Re: RFQ/P #007-17

ALL RESPONSES ARE DUE BY 1:00 PM, ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018. Oral, telegraphic,

facsimile, telephone or email RFQ/P Packets will not be accepted. RFQ/P Packets received after this date and time will not be accepted and returned unopened. The District reserves the right to waive any informalities or irregularities in the RFQ/P Packets. The District also reserves the right to reject any and all RFQ/P Packets and to negotiate contract terms with one or more Respondents.

A non-mandatory informational meeting will be conducted on **Thursday, February 22, 2018, at 10:30** AM. The meeting will be held at the District's Facilities Office, located at 955 High Street, Oakland CA 94601.

Questions regarding this RFQ/P may be directed to Tadashi Nakadegawa, Director of Facilities, at tadashi.nakadegawa@ousd.org with a copy ("cc:") to Cesar Monterrosa, Director of Facilities, at cesar.monterrosa@ousd.org, and Elena Comrie, Project Manager, at ecomrie@ccorpusa.com. All questions must be submitted on or before 1:00 P.M. ON Tuesday, February 27, 2018. See below, Link to upload full RFP Document.

https://www.ousd.org/cms/lib/CA01001176/Centricity/Domain/95/Claremont%20RFP%20for%20distribution%20%20-%202-9.pdf

In this RFQ/P, the term Respondent identifies the firm or partnership submitting as the entity to enter into the terms of the Agreements included in **EXHIBIT B.** All Respondents must have already been prequalified by the District in accordance with the Public Contract Code section 20111.6. The Respondent is not required to identify electrical, mechanical and plumbing subcontractors but if such subcontractors are identified, they are also subject to the prequalification requirements as required by Public Contract Code section 20111.6.



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE AIRPORT CONCIERGE SERVICE LEASE AT SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

The Airport Commission has commenced the Request for Proposals (RFP) process for the Airport Concierge Service Lease. This Lease is for the operation of VIP and conciergestyle services at San Francisco International Airport. The Minimum Annual Guarantee (MAG) for this Lease is \$10,000.00.

The term is three years with one two-year option to extend exercisable at the Airport Commission's discretion. Annual Rent shall be the higher of the Minimum Annual Guarantee or 8% of Gross Revenues.

An Informational Conference will be held on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. PST at the SFO Business Center, 575 N. McDonnell Road, Third Floor, Suite 3-313, Aviation Management's Conference Room, at San Francisco International Airport. Small, local and disadvantaged businesses are encouraged to participate.

Please see website <u>http://www.flysfo.com/business-at-sfo/</u> <u>current-opportunities</u> for additional information or call John M. Reeb, Sr. Principal Property Manager, Revenue Development and Management, (650) 821-4512.

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