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Help save the oldest Black bookstore in the country

By Matt Nelson

Marcus Books in San Francisco is the oldest Black bookstore in the country. For over fifty years, Marcus Books has served as a literary and cultural center for books "by and about Black people everywhere." It has hosted thousands of authors and celebrities including Rosa Parks, James Baldwin, B.B. King, Toni Morrison, Malcolm X, and Harry Belafonte. On Tuesday, June 18th, this community institution will face eviction unless we convince real estate investors to sell the property back.

The eviction of Marcus Books would mean an end to a historical legacy longer than the bookstore itself. Can you make a call to and urge Nishan and Suhaila Sweis — the real estate investors—to sell back the property?

San Francisco's Fillmore district used to be a Black neighborhood. After urban renewal gutted the heart of the Fillmore's Black community, one Victorian was spared. Before the Marcus Books family moved into the property in 1981, the storefront was Jimbo's Bop City, a jazz club where Billie Holiday, John Coltrane, and Ella Fitzgerald performed. Bop City — which gave Fillmore district the name "Harlem of the West" is the same space where Marcus Books hosted the first Black Panther Party meetings, children's reading groups, and local author signings.

The real estate boom in 2006, plus a predatory loan, pushed the building into foreclosure. Nishan and Suhaila Sweis — real estate investors who flip distressed properties and own a taxicab service — then purchased the property. Westside Community Services, a San Franciscobased nonprofit, has offered to buy the property back for \$40,000 more than the purchasing price. The Sweises say they will sell the property back for no less than double the amount they

Unless real estate investors Nishan and Suhaila Sweis sell the property to Westside Community Services, we will lose one of San Francisco's oldest and most treasured Black cultural landmarks — an institution after which Mayor Diane Feinstein signed a proclamation naming October 3rd "Marcus Books Day" in San Francisco.

Please call on the Sweises to sell back the property and keep the oldest Black bookstore in operation. Let's support Black-owned businesses and keep this piece of our history alive.

See more at: http://www.colorofchange.org/

History of Marcus Bookstores

In 1960, in the thriving Black business district known as the Fillmore, Julian and Raye Richardson were co-owners of The Success Printing Co. and avid readers. When friends didn't return their books, they realized the need for a Black bookstore. It was named Success Book Store. After reading Marcus Garvey's Philosophy and Opinions, they decided to change the names of their 30 year-old printshop and ten year-old bookstore to Marcus Books Printing and Marcus Bookstores, opening another store in Oakland, California.

As Black people learned the legacy of consciousness, strength and creativity inherent in their history, many civic groups were sparked and nurtured. Black people and other progressives could feel at home at Marcus Books, They didn't have to apologize for their difference, their intellect or their pain from racism. For example, a small group of Black parents sought advise from Julian and Raye about their frustrations with the school district's mis-education of their children. In the large meeting room of the stores' Civic Center location, the Malcolm X School was established. At another time, the Richardsons put up their family home as collateral to pay bail for over one hundred students arrested for their participation in the strike at San Francisco State University. They printed the student newspaper, The Organ, for free after SFSU refused to continue publishing during the strike. They printed many pamphlets, posters, flyers and newsletters for free, if they believed the individual events would have a beneficial effect upon Black people. Their community contributions were so vast, that we will have to devote ongoing chapters to describe their

Within the fifty years of supplying Black literature, Marcus Books has hosted many fledgling authors as well as most best selling Black authors in America. Actually, more Black writers have been to Marcus Bookstores than those published during the entire Harlem Renaissance. Some of the patrons, writers and speakers include:

James Baldwin, Huey Newton, Nancy Wilson, Earth Wind & Fire, Les Nubians, The Last Poets, Ruby Dee, Ossie Davis, Dorothy

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REQUESTS FOR BIDS & SUB-BIDS

Requests sub-bids from qualified California Department of General Services (DGS) certified Small Businesses and Micro Businesses and all other Business Enterprise Subcontractor and/or Supplier Quotes.

http://www.dgs.ca.gov/dgs/home.aspx Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following project:

Rinconada Water Treatment Plant Residuals
Management and Treated Water Valves Upgrade Project
Project #: 93294051 & 93294056
Owner: Santa Clara Valley Water District
Bid Date: July 24, 2013 @ 2:00 P.M.
Subcontractor and Supplier Quotes are due
NO LATER THAN July 19, 2013 at 5 PM.

DGS Certified Small Businesses and Micro Businesses wanted for the following items, including, but not limited to: Aggregate Supply, Aggregate Surfacing, Asphalt Paving, Barrier Rail (MBGR), Expansion Joints, Concrete & Cement Supply, Concrete (Structural), Concrete Curb & Gutter, Concrete Pumping, CIDH Subcontractor, Concrete Reinforcement Supply & Install, Concrete Work, Demolition, Dewatering, Drainage, Drainage Culverts, Clear & Grub, Drug Testing, Electrical, Erosion Control, False Work/Scaffolding, Fencing & Gates, Fuel Supply, Geotechnical Services, Hazardous Mat Management/Remediation, Hydro Seeding, Landscaping, Lumber/Form Supply, HVAC, Materials Testing (Laboratory) /Quality Control, Mechanical Equipment, Misc. Metal Supply, Misc. Metal Installation, Noise/Vibration Monitoring, Office Equipment, Office Supplies, Pipe Supply, Precast, Quality Assurance, Safety Professionals, Safety Supplies, Sanitation Facilities, Signage, Site Security, Street Sweeping, Striping, Support of Excavation, Surveying, SWPPP, Temporary Power, Trash Service/Waste Disposal, Tree Removal, Trucking & Hauling, Utility Relocations and Water Truck.

Bonding, insurance, lines of credit and any technical assistance or information related to the plans or specification and requirements for the work will be made available to interested DGS certified small and micro business suppliers and subcontractors. Assistance with obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services for this project will also be offered to interested DGS certified small and micro business suppliers and subcontractors.

Plans are available for viewing at our office and on our subcontractor/supplier website, SmartBidNet. All subcontractors that are registered in our database and have a valid trade code that reflects the type of work you perform 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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100% Performance Bond and Payment Bonds are required for this project.

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Is requesting sub-bids/supplier quotes from qualified DBE/MBE/DVBE Subcontractors, Suppliers, Manufacturers, & Truckers for the following (but not limited to) work:

SWPPP-BMP Installation & Maintenance, Temp. Power and Fence, Office Trailer, QC & Testing, Traffic Control, Trucking, Blasting, Minor Concrete Structures, AC Paving, Masonry Retaining Wall, Fencing, Landscape & Irrigation, Aggregates, Concrete, Asphalt, Rip Rap, PVC Pipe.

San Diego Gas & Electric
Los Coches Substation Modification Phase 1
Site Development Project
San Diego, California
BID DATE July 11, 2013 @ 12:00 p.m.
Sub & Vendor Bids Due Prior



Sukut Construction, Inc.

4010 W. Chandler Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92704
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Plans and Specifications are available on Sukut's FTP site – please email estimating@sukut.com for access and logon information. Plans/specs are also available for viewing at our office – please call for an appointment. Subcontractors must be prepared to furnish 100% performance and payment bonds and possess current insurance and workers' comp coverage. Sukut Construction will assist Qualified Subcontractors in obtaining bonds, insurance, and/or lines of credit. Please contact Sukut Construction for assistance in responding to this solicitation. Subcontractors/Vendors will be required to sign Sukut's Standard Subcontract/Purchase Order. Copies are available for examination.

Sukut Construction's listing of a Subcontractor in its bid to the agency is not to be construed as an acceptance of all of the Subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with Subcontractor's price quotes. Quotations must be valid for the same duration as specified by Owner for contract award.

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Sub Bids Requested From Qualified DVBE Subcontractors & Suppliers for

Hensel Phelps - Santa Clara Family Justice Center BP 1.01 - Earthwork (Bid date is 7/2/13) Bid Time: 2:00PM Location: San Jose, CA

McGuire and Hester is seeking qualified subs for the above referenced project in the following trades: trucking; surveying; temporary shoring; dewatering; clearing & demolition; storm drain/sanitary sewer/domestic & fire water suppliers; and aggregate materials.

We will pay up to and including one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) of your bonding cost. Certification assistance is available, as well as viewing plans & specs.

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Contact: Robert Herrera / Matt Daley

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Sub Bids Requested From Qualified MBE, WBE, DBE, DVBE Subcontractors & Suppliers for

EBMUD - Lafayette Water Treatment Plant Clearwell & Washwater Pipeline Improvements Project No. 2061A · Location: Lafayette, CA · <u>Bid Date: July 3, 2013 @ 1:30 PM</u>

McGuire and Hester is seeking qualified subcontractors for the referenced project in the following trades: traffic control; electrical; demolition (concrete); rebar; bolted steel tank; and welding.

McGuire and Hester will pay up to and including one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) of your bonding cost. Certification assistance is available, as well as viewing plans and specs.

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Contact: Don Crivello
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Sub-Bids Requested From Qualified DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers

Rehabilitate Pavement and Widen Median Shoulders on Route 62 in Riverside County near Desert
Hot Springs from Route 10/62 Separation to North Indian Canyon Drive
District 08 on Route 62 · Contract No.: 08-491804 · DBE Goal: 7%
Bid Date: July 18, 2013 – 2:00PM

Plans and Specifications are available for view at our main office in Riverside or on the Caltrans website: http://dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/weekly_ads/all_adv_projects.php

Quotes requested from Contractors, Suppliers and Service Providers include, but are not limited to:

Construction Site Management, Storm Water Pollution Plan, Street Sweeping, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Erosion Control, Temporary Pavement Marking, Temporary Traffic Stripe, Temporary Railing, Portable Changeable Message Signs, Temporary Crash Cushion Module, Metal Beam Guard Railing, Roadside Signs, Cold Place Concrete Pavement, Clearing and Grubbing, Roadway Excavation, Develop Water Supply, Erosion Control, Fiber Rolls, Class 2 Aggregate Base, Lean Concrete Base, Hot Mix Asphalt, Place Hot Mix Asphalt Dike, Tack Coat, Concrete Pavement, Seal Pavement Joint, Bar Reinforcing Steel (epoxy coated), Furnish Single Sheet Aluminum Sign, Rock Slope Protection, Transition Railing, Terminal System, Crash Cushion, Thermoplastic Pavement Marking, Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe, Paint Traffic Stripe, Pavement Marker, Furnish & Place Polyester Concrete Overlay, Rumble Strip, Maintain Existing Traffic Management System, Inductive Loop Detector, Piezo-Electric Axle Sensors, Street Sweeping, Water Trucks

Skanska is interested in soliciting in Good Faith all subcontractors as well as certified DBE companies for this project. All interested subcontractors, 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.

Subcontracting Requirements: Skanska's insurance requirements are Commercial General Liability (GL): \$1M ea. occ., \$1M personal injury, \$2M products & completed operations agg. and general agg.; \$1M Auto Liability; \$5M Excess/Umbrella and \$1M Workers Comp. Endorsements and waivers required are the Additional Insured End., Primary Wording End., and a Waiver of Subrogation (GL & WC). Other insurance requirements may be necessary per scope. Subcontractors may be required to furnish performance and payment bonds in the full amount of their subcontract by an admitted surety and subject to approval by Skanska. Skanska will pay bond premium up to 1%. Quotations must be valid for the same duration as specified by the Owner for contract award. Conditions or exceptions in Subcontractor's quote are expressly rejected unless accepted in writing. Skanska is signatory to the Operating Engineers, Laborers, Cement Masons, Carpenters Unions and Teamsters. Subcontractors must provide weekly, one original and one copy of all certified payrolls, including non-performance and fringe benefit statements if required by law or by the Prime Contract. Subcontractor scope (including any conditions or exceptions) is required 24 hours prior to bid deadline to allow proper evaluation.

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Sub-Bids Requested From Qualified DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers

Regional Connector Transit Corridor Design-Build Project Owner: LACMTA RFP No.: C09080

DBE Goal: 20% Design & 18% Construction Subcontractor Proposal Due Date: July 18, 2013, 2:00PM

Website: www.teamrcc.com

Team RCC (Skanska Traylor Kiewit JV) is interested in soliciting in Good Faith all subcontractors as well as certified DBE companies for the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project. Quotes will be requested from Subcontractors, Vendors, Professional Service and Trucking companies. A list of available scopes of work will be available on our website listed above as well as RFP documents, Subcontracting Requirements, Sample Contracting Documents, Project Announcements, Outreach and Contact Information. If you are interested in joining our team for this project, please visit our website, fill out and return the Invitation to Bid form.

Team RCC will assist qualified subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies. If you are a DBE Company, please provide your certification letter with your proposal. If you are a non-DBE, please indicate all lower-tier participation on your quotation as it will be evaluated with your price. In order to assist DBE subcontractors and suppliers, we will divide total requirements into smaller packages, tasks or quantities and establish delivery and construction schedules which will permit maximum participation when feasible. Please visit our website listed above for detailed contracting requirements

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INVITATION TO BID

Request for Notice of Interest from certified DBE Subcontractors. Material and/or Suppliers, and professional services for:

Regional Connector Transit Corridor OWNER: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA COUNTY: Los Angeles BID DEADLINE: July 29, 2013

DBE Anticipated Level of Participation (DALP): 20%

Quotes for Services & Supplies requested for the following items for bid including, but not limited to:

Civil

Fencing

• Fire Protection

· Landscape/ Irrigation

Masonry

Painting

· Photography

Plumbing

Structural

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• CADD Suppor

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BIDDING OPPORTUNITY

Transit Authority's DBE requirements, we are inviting qualified contractors, specifically DBE's certified by the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) to contact us regarding subcontracting opportunities

in connection with the following project.

Regional Connector Transit Corridor Design/Build Project Contract C0980

Construction of the underground stations, guideways and tunnels from Alameda and First Streets in Little Tokyo to the existing Metro Center Station located at 7th and South Flower Streets in Los Angeles.

BID DATE: JULY 29, 2013 AT 2:00 PM

Sperosturities to: participate revist excabatifollowing ing, excavation support systems, structural steel, engineering, survey, instrumentation and monitoring services, materials testing, demolition and site preparation, environmental investigation, utility relocation, paving, curb and sidewalk, fencing, landscaping, geotechnical and structural instrumentation, asbestos and hazardous materials handling and disposal, secant piles, soldier piles, shoring, traffic decking, traffic control, cast-in-place concrete structures, reinforcing steel, ground stabilization, tunnel construction, crosspassage construction, directional grout hole drilling, soil-nails, rock-bolts, steel dowels, steel arch support, shotcrete fiber and non-fiber, concrete pumping, placing and finishing, concrete sealants, masonry, waterproofing, service utilities, grouting, electrical services, mechanical, plumbing and fire protection, architectural finishes, doors and hardware, track works, signals, pest control, IT Services, waste disposal and cleaning services.

Any business seeking to participate as a DBE for this Contract must be DBE certified by the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) or by a certifying agency in the CUCP in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26-Subpart D Certification Standards as followed by the CUCP. DBE certification status of listed DBE may be verified by contacting Metro Certification Unit via email at CertificationUnit@ Metro.net or by calling the DEOD hotline at (213) 922-2600. A copy of the current active DBE certification letter must be provided for each DBE firm listed in the Proposal. All DBE bids/proposals should be sent to Shea/Walsh/PTG Joint Venture

to receive instructions on accessing the FTP Site.

no later than July 10, 2013. The Joint Venture has established an FTP site where interested firms can view all plans and specifications for their convenience. Please contact Candice Gill at (909) 594-0990 or Jim Honeycutt at (909) 444-4260

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Opportunities for quotations will be needed throughout the life of the project. Terms and conditions should be made part of the quotations. 100% performance and payment bonds may be required for the full amount of the subcontract price. DSS JV will assist with obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance by encouraging the SBE/DBE to work with state supportive services programs. All responsive subcontractors must possess a current contractor's license, insurance, and worker's compensation coverage complying with DSS JV requirements and will be required to sign the standard DSS JV Subcontract Agreement. A Worker's compensation Waiver of Subrogation will also be required.

The DSS JV will analyze and consider each DBE quote received, including those that are broken down into economically feasible units to facilitate bidding. Quotes must be valid for the same period of time as specified by Owner for contract award. Any conditions or exceptions in Subcontractor's quote are expressly rejected unless accepted in writing. Subcontractor scope (including any conditions or exceptions) is required by July 15, 2013 to allow proper evaluation. Proposals are required by July 22, 2013. Send DBE certification (CUCP) with quote. Non DBE- Subs/Suppliers: Indicate 2nd tier SBE/DBE participation offered on your quotation as it will be evaluated with your price.

DSS JV is committed to ensuring that DBE has the maximum opportunity to successfully perform on this project, and to making good faith efforts to achieve the DBE goal.

Please register on our website www.dss-jv.com and send your scopes and quotes by fax to: (657) 549-6547 or email to regional@dragados-USA.com. DBE firms must be certified by the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP). Please include a copy of your DBE Certification with your scopes and quotes.



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frequently to see procurement opportunities and project contacts in the Bid Packages folder. Plans, specs, drawings, etc. can be found on the procurement web site.

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