

SBE NEWS ALERT

The need for contractors, giving them bonding assistance

By Cheryl Hentz



Bernida Reagan, director of community and client relations Merriwether & Williams Insurance Services

There once was a time when the number of minority- and women-owned contractors vying for government contracts was somewhat increasing; and one would think, that with the global recession now in its sixth year, small business owners would be champing at the bit for extra business and good-paying contracts to help keep them afloat. But such is not the case.

Bernida Reagan, director of community and client relations Merriwether & Williams Insurance Services, oversees the company's bonding assistance program throughout the state of California (they have offices in four cities). She says the number of minority contractors participating in bidding opportunities has declined in the last decade or so, and that the overall need for minority contractors, in general, is today very great.

"In 1996 Proposition 209 was passed by the voters, prohibiting entities from targeting resources and programs and contracts based on ethnicity or gender," she says. "Since passage of the legislation there has been a huge decrease in the number of contracts and employment opportunities that women and minorities are able to avail themselves of."

Proposition 209 (also known as the California Civil Rights Initiative or CCRI) is a California ballot proposition which, upon voter approval in November 1996, amended the state constitution to prohibit state governmental institutions from considering race, sex, or ethnicity, specifically in the areas of public employment, public contracting, and public education.

"With Affirmative Action employers, public entities, educational institutions and the like, could enact policies that would allow them to specifically target women and people of color for opportunities," she says. "But after Prop 209 there was a significant decrease in the number of students enrolling in colleges, people getting employment opportunities and contractors getting contracts with the government. Prop 209 doesn't necessarily impact private companies, but it directly prohibits public entities from specifically targeting woman and people of color."

Contracting opportunities still exist, but the talent pool to draw from has decreased since the passage of Prop 209, Reagan says.

"A number of businesses have gone out of business because they couldn't get the level of contracting opportunities that they had before and that they needed to survive. So because they couldn't get work or contracting opportunities, or admission into schools there are fewer of them being represented," she explains. "It prevented them from being 'preferred,' if you will, or having goals set so that the institutions, agencies, schools, prime contractors, what have you, would need to do outreach to them and set goals so that their numbers would be commensurate with the population."

As one might imagine, overcoming these kinds of problems and challenges can be challenging and often difficult, but she says that there are a few things that many people in the public interest community try to do to somewhat level the playing field – even if just a little bit.

"First, we try to help them be super qualified so that they can compete for public contracting opportunities. We do that through training and education, seminars, mentor-protégé programs. We teach them how to get access to capital; how to do bidding and estimating; bookkeeping; employer-employee relationships; and a whole range of training and education that will make them bet-

ter business people; things that will complement the technical trade skills they're already proficient in," she says. "So even though there aren't goals set for their participation, we try to help them be as competitive as possible so they have a fighting chance to get jobs or contracting opportunities."

"Another thing we do is focus on small businesses, because women-owned and minority-owned businesses tend to be smaller businesses. You will see in Washington state or other places where they have initiatives similar to Prop 209, there has been a lot more emphasis on small business programs because it is not illegal to try to help small businesses," she continues. "In fact,

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California Sub-Bid Request Ads

RGW Construction Inc. is seeking all qualified DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprises) for the following project:

State Highway in Contra Costa County at Various Locations on Rte 4 West of Alhambra Avenue to East of Loveridge Rte D and on Rte 242 From Rte 680 to Rte 4
Contract No. 04-152724 Federal Aid Project CML-6204(114)

Engineer Estimate: 15,500,000 - 250 Working Days

Goal: DBE 14%

Bids: June 17, 2014 @ 2:00 PM

Requesting Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to): Fabric and Oils, Electrical Material, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control, Cold Plane, Demolition/Bridge Removal, Clear & Grub, Structure Excavation/backfill, Erosion Control, Irrigation, Aggregate Base, Asphalt Paving, Grinding, Structural Concrete, Reinforcing Steel, Sign Structure, Signs Roadside, Rock Slope Protection, MBGR, Metal Railing, Concrete Barrier, Thermoplastic and Painted Traffic Stripe & Marking, Pavement Marking, Signal and Lighting, Message Signs, Lighting & Sign Illumination, Ramp Metering System, SWPPP Planning, Water Truck, Sweeper, Trucker and Storm Drain (Underground).

Scope of Work: Install ramp metering & TOS elements.

RGW is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage DBE participation. Contact us for a specific item list.

Plans and Specs are available to view and copy at our office or the Caltrans website www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/. Contact David Aboujudom 925-606-2400 david@rgwconstruction.com for any questions, including bonding, lines of credit, or insurance or equipment or material suppliers. Subcontractors should be prepared to submit payment and performance bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. For bonding and other assistance, please call.

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REQUEST FOR MBE/WBE/DBE SUB-CONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS FOR:

Breuner Marsh Restoration & Public Access Improvement
Project Phase 1

East Bay Regional Park District

REVISED BID DATE: June 2, 2014 @ 2:00 PM

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- "Minority Media Cornerstone Award" - US Department of Commerce MBDA Minority Business Development Agency
- "Outstanding Achievement as Vendor" - City of Los Angeles
- "Minority Advocate" - NAMCS

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MEET & GREET OUTREACH EVENT

Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. /FCC Construction S.A./Impregilo S.p.A., Joint Venture (SFI) is an equal opportunity Prime Contractor seeking quotes from subcontractors/suppliers for the following project:

GERALD DESMOND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Construction of a new 2000 ft cable stay main span bridge with approximately 3 miles of approach bridge structures for the Port of Long Beach. For more information about subcontracting please go to: www.sfigdb.com

Shimmick, FCC, Impregilo a JV will be hosting an outreach event to seek qualified sub-contractors/suppliers and encourage participation of certified, Underutilized Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (UDBE) to help attain the project goal of 11% UDBE in the following scopes:

\$6.5M Lightweight Cellular Concrete Embankment Bid package - RFP52: The scope of work for the installation of Lightweight Cellular Concrete Embankments for the Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement shall include the following: The cost of all necessary labor, material, equipment, supplies, supervision, safety, and quality control required to complete the work in accordance with the contract documents and as noted below. Each Contract scope shall be bid and accepted as a complete package. All material and equipment must be approved by SFI prior to purchase and installation.

The scope of this bid package is comprised of: Furnish and installation of lightweight cellular concrete embankment fills to the lines, grades, and slopes shown in the project plans and specifications. Scope also includes coordinating with project design to answer technical and constructability related inquiries. Subcontractor shall bid all items based on the specifications and drawings provided. The unit prices provided shall be applied to agreed upon quantities when substantial drawings become available. Final quantities will be measured based on approved plans and adjusted via change order(s).

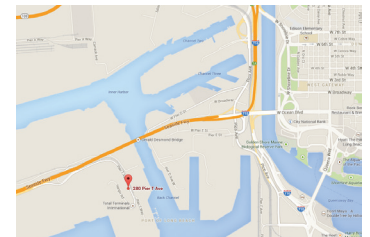
*Bid Proposal Due Date: June 19th 2014

This event will be held on:

June 5th, 2014
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

at:

280 Pier T Lane /SFI Office Trailer
Long Beach, CA 90802



*Parking is Free

Please email Nancy @ nancy.nguyen@sfigdb.com to register for the event and receive full bid package(s) prior to the event.

SFI, A Joint Venture is an Equal Opportunity Employer and actively requests bids from Underutilized Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (UDBE). The Project has an 11% UDBE goal. Items of work may be broken down into economically feasible packages to encourage participation. SFI, A Joint Venture intends to conduct itself in good faith with all firms for participation on this project. 100% Performance and Payment bonds with a surety company subject to approval of SFI, A Joint Venture, are required of subcontractors for this project. SFI, A Joint Venture will pay bond premium up to 1.0%. Subcontractors will be required to abide by terms and conditions of the Project Labor Agreement (PLA) and to execute an agreement utilizing the latest SFI, A Joint Venture Standard Long Form Subcontract incorporating prime contract terms and conditions, including payment provisions.

California Sub-Bid Request Ads

REQUESTING BIDS FROM QUALIFIED DBE SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

Route 101/280 - Replace Barrier Railings
San Francisco County, Caltrans Project #04-1A5514, Bid Date: June 10, 2014 at 2:00 pm

We hereby encourage responsible participation of local Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (8% Goal), and solicit their subcontractor or material quotation for the following types of work. This is a highway project with the typical items of work associated, but not limited to: Lead Compliance Plan, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Remove Striping & Pavement Markers, Striping & Pavement Markers, PCMS Boards, Remove Guardrail, Remove Roadside Sign, Carbon Fiber Reinforced Polymer Strip, Core Concrete, Clean Bridge Deck Drainage System, Salvage Metal Bridge Railing, Reconstruct Deck drain Grate, Remove Unsound Concrete, Refinish Bridge Deck, Construction/Equipment Rentals, Traffic Control, Furnish Single Sheet Aluminum Sign, Metal (Barrier Mounted Sign), Misc. Metal (Bridge), Midwest Guardrail System (7' Wood Post), Crash Cushion, Bridge Removal (Portion), Temporary Railing (Type K), Temp. Crash Cushion, Temp. Traffic Screen, Structural Concrete (Bridge and Barrier Slab), Paving Notch Extension, Clean Expansion Joint, Joint Seal, Joint Seal Assembly, Bar Reinforcing Steel (Bridge), Job Site Management, Prepare Water Pollution Control Plan, Temp. Drainage Inlet Protection, Temp. Concrete Washout, Concrete Barrier, Transition Railing, End Cap (Type A), Crash Cushion (Sand Filled), Maintain Existing Traffic Management System, Lighting, Lighting and Sign Illumination, Misc. Construction Supplies, Trucking, etc.

C.C. Myers, Inc. is willing to break down items of work into economically feasible units to encourage DBE participation. If you are interested in any of this work, please provide us with a scope letter or contact us immediately. Plans and Specifications are available from Caltrans at: www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe.

Conditions or exceptions in Subcontractor's quote are expressly rejected unless expressly accepted in writing. Subcontractor and Supplier quotes are required 24 hours prior to the bid date to enable thorough evaluation.

C.C. Myers, Inc.



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Each Subcontractor shall be prepared to submit faithful performance and payment bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. The Contractor will pay standard industry rates for these bonds.

Contact C. C. Myers, Inc. for assistance with bonds, insurance, lines of credit, equipment, supplies or project plans and specifications. C. C. Myers, Inc., is a Union Contractor.

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Sub-Bids Requested from qualified MBE/WBE/DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers For:

**WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY NO. 2 TERTIARY
FILTRATION PROJECT**
**PROJECT NO. NIB DWP 14-115CA • Owner: City of
Corona • Location: Corona, CA**
Bid Date: June 25, 2014 @ 2:00 P.M.

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc.

667 Brea Canyon Road, Suite 30 • Walnut, CA 91788-0489

• Phone: (909) 595-4397, Fax: (909) 444-4268

Contact: Lori Olivas, lori.olivas@jfshea.com

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. is soliciting your participation in the preparation of this bid. We are particularly interested in bids from subcontractors/suppliers for the following work items: Demolition, Shoring, AC Paving, Ready-Mix Concrete, Reinforcing Steel, Precast Concrete Structures, Structural Steel, Miscellaneous Metals, FRP Fabrications, Access Hatches, Painting & Coatings, Signage, Pre-Fabricated Structures, Electrical & Instrumentation

Plans and Specifications are available: Free of charge from the City of Corona's website at <http://discovercoronadwp.com/bids/index.shtml>. Plans may also be viewed at www.dodge.construction.com or at our Walnut Office.

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer and intends to negotiate in good faith with interested MBE/WBE/DBE firms and intends to utilize the lowest responsive bidder. J.F. Shea expects potential subcontractors to be bondable. J.F. Shea will pay for up to 1% for subcontractor bond costs. Subcontractors and Suppliers are expected to bid per plans and specifications, including requirements for warranties. Standard manufacturer's warranties, if not in conformance with owner's specifications, will not be accepted.

Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. requests quotes from subcontractors and suppliers including Small and Very Small Business Enterprises (SBE/VSBE) certified in POLB's Planet Bid System, for the following project:

CITY OF LONG BEACH - HARBOR DEPARTMENT
FIREBOAT 15 DOCK UPGRADE AT PIER F, BERTH F202
As Described in SPECIFICATION HD-S2495

BID DATE: JUNE 3, 2014 PRIOR TO 10:00AM

We are accepting quotes for the following Subcontract Work Scopes, Services and Supplies: Demolition/Disposal of existing Floating Dock, New Floating Dock & Hardware, Furnish Steel Pipe Piling, Site Inspection, Marine Survey, Diving, Miscellaneous Metal Fabrications (Steel Float Connections, Bolts & UHMW Pads), Furnish (5) 'Donut' Fenders & Bollard Crowns (Including UHMW Bearing pads, steel pipe core, foam core, polyethylene skin, structural steel), Trucking, Tug Service, Fuel and other work.



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Subcontractors and suppliers can access Contract Documents (plans and specifications) by calling Kiewit Staff (below) or in DVD format at No Cost from Port of Long Beach, 4th Floor, Plans and Specifications, IOA Building, 4801 Airport Plaza Drive - Long Beach, CA 90815 during business hours 7:30 am to 4:30 pm except noon to 1 pm, Monday through Friday. For Contract Documents Phone POLB @ (562) 283-7353; General project info found at: <http://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=19236>

Inquires - Contact Bill Hoodenpyle (253) 943-4200 or Todd Wille (253) 943-4200; or Dennis Ahl - Small & Disadvantaged Business Liaison (253) 943-4070 (dennis.ahl@kiewit.com)

In order to assist certified SBE/VSBE Contractors and Suppliers, we will divide scopes of work into economically feasible units, and will assist firms with delivery schedules, putting SBE's in touch with professionals regarding bonding and lines of credit; and will answer questions regarding marine insurances and equipment in support of Small Businesses in order to maximize participation.

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SUPPLIERS**

FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

Pier 35 Building & Roof Repair Project -

Contract No. 2765

BID DATE & TIME:

Due on or prior to 1:30 PM, June 25, 2014

Above project consists of the modernization and repair of two existing elevators, removal of existing roofing materials, hazardous material abatement, paint, sheet metal flashing and trim, plumbing, selective dry rot repair to the roof deck, refurbishment of existing historic features including windows and provision for tenant protection. Bids shall be made in accordance with the prevailing wages for the work in San Francisco County. **LBE (small/mico)/MBE/DBE/WBE/OBE/ SBE/ DVBE Goals.**

(The Specifications and Plans will be available in our office 8:30AM - 5PM or at ARC Northern California - Bid Services - 945 Bryant Street, San Francisco, CA 94103.

Contact Priyantha De Pinto: 415-537-2235 Fax: 415-348-0684, email: sf@e-arc.com).

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MISSION BAY DCI, PHASE 2 - REBID
Project No.: **M3622 / Contract No.: SL0274**

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

Scope of work includes build out and changes to existing Data Center at 654 Minnesota Street. Provide a complete cold aisle containment system with security partitions and doors, new server cabinets, key access control cabinet, and relocate lighting as shown on documents.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS: To be eligible for consideration of award, bidders must have the minimum experience set forth in the Supplementary Instructions To Bidders. Bidders must submit qualification documents as via the online Supplier Registration and Sourcing (SRS) system with the Bid Form.

PROCEDURES: Bidding Documents will be available beginning **May 29, 2014** at **12NN** by requesting via e-mail to RFx@ucsf.edu with the following information: Company name, address, phone and fax nos. Please reference Project No. M3622-REBID in the subject line. You will be sent an email with a link to register with the UC Supplier Registration and Sourcing (SRS) system in order to obtain the bidding document.

Bidders must attend a **mandatory** pre-bid conference at **10AM, June 2, 2014**. For details, see <http://contracts.ucsf.edu/contractors/>

(Use the same website above to view complete Advertisement for Bids - Project Bidding Information).

(NOTE: Contractors interested in bidding this project must have attended either the 1st pre-bid which occurred on 5/7/14 or the 2nd pre-bid on 6/2/14).

Sealed bids must be received on or before **3:00 PM, June 16, 2014** using the UC SRS system accessible through <https://suppliers.sciquest.com/UCOP/>. Bids will be opened at **3:05 PM** at Minnesota St. Finance Service Center, University of California, San Francisco, 654 Minnesota Street, 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94107. Phone: (415) 476-5343.

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 Bidder may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy. The successful Bidder and its subcontractors will be required to follow the nondiscrimination requirements set forth in the Bidding Documents and to pay prevailing wage at the location of the work.

The work described in the contract is a public work subject to section 1771 of the California Labor Code.

The successful Bidder will be required to have the following California current and active contractor's license at the time of submission of the Bid:

LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: General Building Contractor

LICENSE CODE: B

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST: \$400,000

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR PREQUALIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS

PROJECT NOTICE

McCarthy Building Companies, Incorporated, herein-after called MBC, intends to award lump sum subcontracts to subcontractors by competitive bidding for the following project:

UCSF CLINICAL SCIENCES BUILDING AND OPTIONAL UC HALL SEISMIC RENOVATION PROGRAM

UCSF Project No.: **M3602 CSB DECANT - RENOVATIONS FOR TEMP OCCUPANCY OF UCH U76-U80**

M3623 CSB DECANT - RENOVATIONS FOR TEMP OCCUPANCY OF UCH FLRS 1, 2, 3, 4

M2670 CSB DECANT - INTERIM MEASURES FOR UCH TEMP OCCUPANCY (Interior Measures & Façade Stabilization)

MBC Project No.: **CM-0021**

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,
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PREQUALIFICATION OF PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS:

The University and MBC have determined that subcontractors who plan to participate in the bidding process for this project must be prequalified in order to submit bids. Subcontractors who are prequalified for this solicitation of May 14, 2014 will be invited to participate in a competitive bid for their appropriate trade(s) for projects issued for M3602, M3623 and M2670 through June 30, 2016. If the University determines that a Prequalified Subcontractor is performing unsatisfactory work, the contractor shall be removed from the prequalification list for the remainder of the prequalification period. MBC and University reserves the right to continue to solicit bidders during this 2 year period should a necessity arise to include additional bidders to the pool.

Prequalified Subcontractors for listed trades in this solicitation will not be required to re-submit prequalification information when new Advertisements are issued. Also, should MBC and University find the need to discontinue using the Prequalified Subcontractors from this solicitation, MBC and University will give notice to the Prequalified Subcontractors. The intent is to solicit bids for the three listed projects at one time but the University and MBC reserve the right to solicit bids individual for each project or any combination of project numbers.

Prequalified subcontractors are required to have California licenses for the work they plan to perform.

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 1:
General Works-Site Logistics | B

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 2:
Demolition-Hazmat | B and C-21

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 3:
Rough Carpentry | C-5

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 4:
Finish Carpentry | C-6

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 5:
Miscellaneous Metals | C-51

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 6:
Framing-Drywall-Insulation-Plaster | B or (C-2, C-9 and C-35)

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 7:
Doors-Frames-Hardware | B or (D-16 and D-28)

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 8:
Paint | C-33

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 9:
Flooring | C-15

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 10:
ACT Ceilings | D-50

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 11:
Window/Glazing | C-17

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 12:
Mechanical-Plumbing and Controls | B, C-20 and C-36

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 13:
Electrical-Low Voltage-Security-Tel Data-Fire Alarm,
AV | B and C-10

M3602/M3623/M2670 Interior-WC 14:
Fire Protection | C-16

M2670 (Façade Stabilization)-WC 4:
General Works | B

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

M3602: Scope of work includes Ground Floor, Suite U76-U80 Tenant Improvement, activity based workplace based interior office remodel, including fire protection, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, and telecom work.

M3623: Scope of work includes office remodel of approximately 5000 sf of various Suites on the 3rd floor, including Suite 367. Light Tenant Improvements on Basement, Ground Levels 1 to 5.

M2670 (Interior Measures): This project consists of architectural, mechanical, electrical and minor structural components. Architectural scope of work includes replacing doors and hardware at exit stairs and minor finish repair relating to mechanical and electrical updates. In addition, wall/floor patch after removal of lockers on the ground floor and path work at existing stair stringer. Structural scope of work includes replacement of existing light fixtures on the first floor. Mechanical scope of work includes replacement of existing low pressure steam piping and replacement/repair of various existing fan units and related accessories. Perform balancing work on the existing HVAC units. Provide new sprinkler heads at selected areas. Electrical scope of work includes modification of power connection to emergency light fixtures at corridors and exit path. Adding fire alarm devices as required, modifying existing fire alarm system for mechanical units and fire sprinklers and re-connecting and providing power connection/reconnection for new/existing mechanical units.

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M2670 (Façade Stabilization): This project consists of providing temporary protection to the exterior of UC HALL to mitigate debris hazards from deteriorating exterior stone and terracotta assemblies falling on adjacent public way and building rooftops, mechanical equipment & skylights. Selective construction and erection of protective assemblies in locations identified according to UC Hall Stabilization Report. Selective demolition to occur as required for installation of protective assemblies. Spot removal and patching of deteriorating exterior finishes at identified points.

UC Hall is located at the Parnassus Campus located at 533 Parnassus Avenue, San Francisco CA 94143.

The projects are not LEED. The construction process will be organized using Lean Construction methods, including pull scheduling, and Last Planner™ production management techniques.

The estimated construction costs will be established when each Bid Package is issued.

PREQUALIFICATION PROCESS:

PART 1 – Each prospective Bidder must complete Part 1 using McCarthy's Prequalification system and answer all questions and provide all requested information. Any prospective Bidder failing to do so will be deemed to be not responsive and not prequalified with respect to this Prequalification. Prior to starting the process, contact Judy Gee for Part I Instructions and General Requirements. Complete Part 1 by going to <https://prequalification.mccarthy.com/>. All Bidders that have responded to Part 1 will be notified in writing of whether or not they have successfully achieved Part 1 Prequalification status. Only those Bidders that have successfully achieved Part 1 Prequalification status will be permitted to participate in the Part 2 Prequalification process. Part 1 includes general questions on company information, type of services, business classifications, bonding limits, business and project references, license/claims history/disciplinary measures, safety and health status, and business construction revenue.

PART 2 –When deemed necessary by University and MBC, Bidders who have successfully prequalified for Part 1 will be notified to also complete Part 2 process. Part 2 process will utilize University's SRS system (Supplier Registration and Sourcing). Detailed instructions will be sent to Part 1 Prequalified Bidders when Part 2 process is applicable. Part 2 includes Project specific questions.

Only those Bidders that successfully achieve Part 1 and Part 2 (if applicable) Prequalification status will be determined to be prequalified and only those so prequalified will be eligible to submit a bid for this Project.

PREQUALIFICATION SCHEDULE:

Prequalification Documents will be available on MBC's prequalification system beginning **May 19, 2014 at 10AM PST**.

To start the prequalification process and if there are questions regarding access to or navigation of MBC's prequalification system or UCSF's SRS system, send an e-mail to Judy Gee: jgee@mccarthy.com with the following information in the email subject line:

UCSF Project No. M3602/M3623/M2670 MBC/SRS Prequalification

Any questions or requests for clarifications or interpretation of the Prequalification Documents must be submitted in writing to Kevin Lew, Project Manager, MBC Inc. by EMAIL to klew@mccarthy.com **5 PM PST, May 27, 2014**. Questions received after the above-noted deadline may be answered at the discretion of MBC and the University.

Prequalification via MBC's Prequalification system must be completed on or before **June 12, 2014 at 5 PM PST**. MBC will not accept completed questionnaires via FAX, US Mail or Email.

Any person or entity not satisfied with the outcome of the prequalification must file a writ challenging the outcome within 10 calendar days from the date of the MBC or University's written notice regarding prequalification determination. Any assertion that the outcome of the prequalification process was improper will not be a ground for a bid protest. However, MBC and the University reserve the right to accept late submissions and to request, receive, and evaluate supplemental information after the above time and date at its sole determination.

This project will be insured under a University Controlled Insurance Program ("UCIP") providing workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance coverage, commercial general liability insurance coverage, and excess liability insurance coverage for Work performed on or at the Project site ("UCIP Coverages"). All insurance policies required to be obtained by Sub-contractor shall be subject to approval by MBC and University for form and substance. All such policies shall be issued by a company rated by Best as A- or better with a financial classification of VIII or better, or have equivalent rating by Standard and Poor's or Moody's.

Anticipated Bid Schedule: Documents Available **August, 2014** (Exact dates and times will be set forth in each Bid Package).

Bid Security in the amount of 10% of the Lump Sum Base Bid shall accompany each Bid. The surety issuing the Bid Bond shall be admitted surety insurer (as defined in California Code Civil Procedure Section 995.120).

The University and MBC reserves the right to reject any or all responses to Prequalification Questionnaires and to waive non-material irregularities in any response received.

If the University deems there is not a sufficient pool of a particular designated subcontractor for competitive bidding, the University reserves the right to withdraw the prequalification requirements for that particular designated subcontractor and to continue to prequalify the other designated subcontractors.

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 Bidder may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy.

The work described in the contract is a public work subject to section 1771 of the California Labor Code.

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ANNOUNCEMENT TO PREQUALIFIED PROPOSERS

UC Irvine Medical Center (UCIMC) invites prequalified Proposers to submit proposals for the **B1 Basement – Pulmonary Expansion, Project No. 999120. Maximum Acceptance Cost: \$356,000.**

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Relocate the Pulmonary Program to the Douglas Hospital basement including conversion of a storage room to a Bronchoscopy Room and installation of an isolated exhaust from the new Bronchoscopy Room to the Douglas Hospital roof. Work includes framing, electrical, structural support, medical gases and other work for a complete project in compliance with all applicable codes including Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) requirements. Project completion time: 240 Calendar Days

PROJECT DELIVERY: Design Build

PREQUALIFIED PROPOSERS: **Brascia Builders, Inc.**, Monrovia, CA 91016, (626) 737-0284; **BNBuilders**, San Diego, CA 92121, (858) 550-9433; and **DLS Builders**, Orange, CA 92865, (714) 998-3790.

PROCEDURES: RFP available **6/3/14, 2 PM**. Prequalified Proposers receive **2 sets** at UCIMC Planning Administration, Building 27, 101 The City Drive South, Orange, CA 92868. Purchase at American Reprographics Co., Costa Mesa, CA (949) 751-2680. Planrooms: F.W. Dodge (626) 932-6120 and Reed (800) 424-3996.

MANDATORY PREPROPOSAL CONFERENCE & SITE VISIT: 6/6/14, 10:00 AM, UCIMC, Building 22A, Rm. 2103, 101 the City Drive South, Orange, CA 92868.

PROPOSALS DUE: Technical Proposal, **7/15/14, 4 PM** and Lump Sum Base Price Proposal, **7/16/14, 4 PM** received only at UCIMC Planning Administration, Building 27, Rm. 136, 101 The City Drive South, Orange, CA 92868.

Required: **General Building Contractor – B**, California Contractors License and 10% bid bond from *admitted surety insurer (as defined in the California Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120)*. The successful GC and its subs are required to follow the nondiscrimination requirements set forth in the RFP and pay prevailing wage rates at the location of the Work.

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons shall have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University, regardless of: race; color; religion; sex; age; ancestry; national origin; sexual orientation; physical or mental disability; veteran's status; medical condition; genetic information; marital status; gender identity; pregnancy; service in the uniformed services; or citizenship within the limits imposed by law or University's policy.

David Donovan, Project Delivery Manager,
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Bid Board: www.designandconstruction.uci.edu

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The following is a summary of a full Advertisement for Bids posted on the UCLA Capital Programs Website (<http://www.capitalprograms.ucla.edu/Contracts/ProjectsCurrentlyBidding>). **All interested parties must go to the Website for complete information.**

Subject to conditions prescribed by the University of California, Los Angeles, sealed bids for a lump-sum contract are invited for the following work:

Project Name: PARKING STRUCTURE 2 – WAYFINDING SIGNAGE

Project Number: 4011104

Description of Work: Partially remove existing signage and provide new signage, monument signage, hanging signage and paint surfaces as described in the construction documents. Refer to website above for complete description.

Estimated Construction Cost: \$200,000.00

Bidding Documents Available at:

UCLA Online Planroom
Website: <http://www.uclaplanroom.com/>

Bid Submittal Location:

Contracts Administration
University of California, Los Angeles
1060 Veteran Avenue, Suite 125
Box 951365
Los Angeles, California 90095-1365
310-825-7015

Dates:

Bidding Document Availability: May 29, 2014

Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference/Job Walk:
June 5, 2014

Beginning promptly at 10:00 a.m.
(THERE IS NO GRACE PERIOD)

Bid Submittal Deadline: 2:00 p.m., July 8, 2014

License Requirement: C-45 License (Sign)

Prequalification: To be allowed to submit a bid, Bidders must have the minimum experience set forth in the Prequalification Questionnaire contained in the Bidding Documents and posted on the website.

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The need for contractors, giving them bonding assistance

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many people understand that small businesses provide most of the employment opportunities and really serve as the backbone of our economy. So creating a more intentional focus on small businesses (without making the women or minority reference or distinction) is a way to still help women and minorities. Granted there are a lot of small businesses owned by white men, as well, but creating programs that really strengthen small businesses has been another way to try to overcome that challenge.”

Another thing Reagan says various entities have done is to create small business set-asides, making it so only small businesses can compete amongst themselves as opposed to competing against larger and longer established businesses.

She said she finds that business owners do take advantage of these education and training opportunities, but they're especially well-attended if they're done in conjunction with an opportunity to meet prime contractors and hear about upcoming bidding opportunities, as well.

“It's sometimes difficult to get them to take advantage of these things if it's in the abstract, where there's no real opportunities that they see in the future. It's much more likely that they will participate if they know an entity has a lot of work coming up, particularly if that work is the kind of work that small businesses can do,” she says. “They also tend to be selective because there's a lot of training and education outreach that goes on, but it's more attractive and effective if it's linked to an actual opportunity or series of opportunities.”

Matchmaking events where the larger prime contractors can meet small businesses who can help

them reach their established goals is also a way of expanding opportunities for the smaller businesses.

One of the services Merriwether & Williams offers is to help get contractors pre-qualified for bonding. That, in turn, gives the prime contractor or the agency with whom they want to work a sense of what their capacity is.

“Through our bonding assistance program we help assess their capacity and their bondability, which then allows them to look for work commensurate with that capacity. We've been in existence for 17 years and have assisted more than 800 sub-contractors with more than \$700 million in bonds, and we're proud to say we've never had a default – not one,” says Reagan “With that kind of track record the primes or public entities can both appreciate and depend on the assessment that we give them about a sub-contractor. It give them more confidence that if they work with this small business contractor at the level they've been pre-qualified for, there's less concern about risks that the subcontractor won't be able to finish the project, or do it up to code, etc.”

“It's often a vicious cycle that a lot of small contractors go through, saying they can't get work because they can't get bonding, and they can't get bonding because their books aren't in order, or they don't have proper marketing materials, and so forth,” Reagan continues. “Because of those things they're unable to convince the surety companies that they should be bonded at a particular level. But by getting them pre-qualified, it gives them more opportunities.”

Reagan has some simple, straight-forward advice for small business owners who would like to do some public contracting.

- First, she urges contractors to start small and not bid on projects that might get them in over their head; or if they do want to try for a larger project consider the possibility of partnering with someone who offers the same services. Whatever work they do, it eventually will help build their capacity, thereby increasing their ability to take on bigger projects.
- Second, she stresses to small business owners, especially those which are women- and minority-owned, that “There are ways to address what seems to be the primary barrier to small and minority contractors getting work, and working with a bonding company gives them a huge advantage.”

In summary, Reagan says that by expanding the pool of contractors or sub-contractors who are able to work on projects, the entities doing the hiring actually save money.

“Because in a low-bid situation where a small contractor and a bigger contractor are bidding for the same work, the difference between one low bid and the next low bid is a savings to the agency,” she says. “When you have more people (small businesses) effectively able to compete and win contracts, the price goes down. It's a basic law of supply and demand. This also helps the total economy because as we are able to help smaller companies win contracts and grow their businesses they are also able to then bring more business to the banks, insurance companies, bonding companies, marketing companies, grocery stores, clothing stores, etc. It's a multiplicative effect in the local economy that creates more customers for existing businesses and more money in our communities.”