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Infusion of Job Training Money Coming to Community College in all 50 States



Secretary Perez speaks with students at Front Range Community College, where he announced the grant program.

Jennifer Jordan,
Opportunity Nation Senior Writer

Opportunity Nation is pleased that community colleges and other higher education institutions around the country will receive \$474.5 million to expand job skills training programs that are in high demand and to strengthen partnerships with local employers. Both of these goals are essential to help more Americans gain the skills they need to get good jobs in the 21st economy and achieve upward mobility. These goals are highlighted in our Shared Plan to Restore Opportunity to Young Adults.

The U.S. Department of Labor and the Department of Education will both play a role in administering the grants, which seek to support programs in advanced manufacturing, transportation and healthcare, among other

industries, and bolster relationships with businesses through 190 different programs.

Colleges must show they are able to ramp up career training programs for good-paying skilled jobs and can speed up the time it takes to complete a program and earn some sort of credential in order to be awarded the grants.

“Community colleges play a vital role in training Americans to meet the needs of employers today,” said U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan on Wednesday. “As our economy continues to rebuild, businesses are looking for employees with the skills their company needs to stay competitive, and America’s students and adult workers want to be equipped to fill those roles. These grants help to meet those demands, providing critical

investments in education and supporting key partnerships.”

Every state plus Washington D.C. will receive a portion of the competitive funds, which are the third installment of a \$2 billion federal initiative to direct more resources to the country’s strained community college system.

Already, these increased federal investments appear to be paying off. In Massachusetts, for example, \$20 million from the initiative is enabling community colleges to offer more robust career guidance; counseling to cope with challenges that disadvantaged students face such as transportation issues, childcare and financial planning; and job placement activities.

Labor Secretary Tom Perez said this latest round of investments “bring together education, labor, business and community leaders to meet the

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BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES

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Sub-Bids Requested From Qualified DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers
For Construction of Magnolia Avenue/BNSF Railway Grade Separation

**In the City of Riverside and Home Gardens area For the
 County of Riverside Transportation Department**

Project No.: B7-0784

DBE Goal: 2.9%

REVISED Bid Date: October 23, 2013 – 2:00 PM

Plans and Specifications are available for view at our main office in Riverside or May be purchased from the Transportation Department at: 3525 14th Street, Riverside, California 92501, (951) 955-6780.

Quotes requested for 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, Flashing Arrow Sign, Type III Barricade, Water Pollution Control, Temporary Pavement Marking, Temporary Traffic Stripe, Channelizer, Temporary Railing, Portable Changeable Message Signs, Temporary Crash Cushion Module, Metal Beam Guard Railing, Roadside Signs, Abandon Culvert, Cold Plane Asphalt Concrete Pavement, Remove Concrete, Bridge Removal, Clearing and Grubbing, Remove Tree, Roadway Excavation, Lead Compliance Plan, Imported Borrow, MSE Walls, Temporary Shoring, Develop Water Supply, Structure Excavation, Structure Excavation (Bridge), Structure Excavation (Retaining Wall), Structure Backfill, Sand Backfill, Fiber Rolls, Class 2 Aggregate Base, Hot Mix Asphalt, Slurry Seal, Place Hot Mix Asphalt Dike, Tack Coat, Concrete Pavement, Furnish & Drive Steel Pile, Noise Monitoring, CIDH Concrete Piling, Prestressing, Structural Concrete (Bridge), Structural Concrete (Retaining Wall), Structural Concrete (Approach Slab), Structural Concrete (Barrier Slab), Architectural Treatment, Anti-Graffiti Coating, Decorative Tile, Minor Concrete, PTFE Bearing, Joint Seal Assembly, Bar Reinforcing Steel (Bridge), Bar Reinforcing Steel (Retaining Wall), Masonry Walls, Structural Steel, Painting Structural Steel, Roadside Sign, Install Sign, Reinforced Concrete Pipe, Welded Steel Pipe Casing, RCP Flared End Section, Rock Slope Protection, Slope Paving, Minor Concrete(Structure), Rock Slope Protection Fabric, Isolation Casing, Miscellaneous Metal (Bridge), Miscellaneous Iron and Steel, Bridge Deck Drainage System, Chain Link Fence, Wrought Iron Fence, Chain Link Railing, Metal Railing, Tubular Handrail, Concrete Barrier, Cable Railing, Transition Railing, Terminal System, Crash Cushion, Pavement Marking, Traffic Stripe, Pavement Marker, Landscaping, Irrigation, Signal & Lighting, Lighting & Sign Illumination, Ductile Iron Pipe, Waterline, Fire Hydrant, Sewer Pipe

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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Skanska Estimating Dept:

1995 Agua Mansa Rd, Riverside, CA 92509 – Ph: (951) 684-5360, Fax: (951) 788-2449

Email: jerome.dipadova@skanska.com

Requesting Sub-bids from Qualified SBE/DVBE/
 MBE/WBE/OBE Subcontractors for:

PRIMARY COLLECTION AGENCY SERVICES

**Los Angeles Department of Water & Power
 Deadline: October 29, 2013**

For information on the availability of plans and specifications and the bidder's policy concerning assistance to subcontractors in obtaining bonds, lines of credit, and/or insurance, please contact our office.

National Recovery Agency

2491 Paxton Street, Harrisburg, PA 17111

(800) 360-9953 option 1, extension 3071

(800) 360-9954

ksummerlot@nragegroup.com

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WE ARE REQUESTING QUOTES FROM ALL CERTIFIED DVBE/MBE/DBE/WBE CONTRACTORS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

**Monroe Elementary School, Project No. 11501
 260 Madrid Street, San Francisco, CA 94112**

BID DATE/TIME:

Tuesday, October 15, 2013 @ 2:00 PM

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Extensive modernization and voluntary partial seismic strengthening: Modernize existing building including but not limited to construction of accessible restrooms, new finishes throughout, remodel all classrooms, provide new casework, provide new warming kitchen, modernize and expand multipurpose room, modernize library, braced frame modifications and footing upgrades, fire sprinkler & fire alarm systems, and hazmat abatement. Disconnect and demolish (e) portable classroom & toilet buildings. Site work including but not limited to replacement of fence & gates, play structure modifications and new safety mats, ADA ramps & door landings, Hazmat abatement, and resurfacing and striping of yard.

PREVAILING WAGE RATES

EST. \$6,500,000.00

PLA/PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT

Plans are available to view at the Fine Line Construction office or you can contact us in writing and request that we send them electronically to you. You may also purchase or view them at the following locations: ARC Northern California; Asian Inc; Most all Northern CA Builder Exchanges; EBidboard; El Dorado Builder Exchange; Marin Builders Association; McGraw-Hill/Dodge-Daily Pacific Builder; Reed Construction Data; Sub-Hub.

Trades Needed (but not limited to): SITE CONSTRUCTION, CONCRETE, METALS, WOOD AND PLASTICS, THERMAL AND MOISTURE PROTECTION, DOORS AND WINDOWS, FINISHES, SPECIALTIES, EQUIPMENT, FURNISHINGS, SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION, MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL, AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.

PLEASE SEND BIDS TO (415) 512-7688 NO LATER THAN 1:00 PM ON THE DATE OF BID

Fine Line Construction is signatory to the Carpenter's and Laborer's Agreements. Successful Subcontractors will be expected to execute a standard Fine Line Construction Subcontract Agreement.

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BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES

Sukut Construction, LLC

Is requesting sub-bids/supplier quotes from qualified SBE, VSBE, MBE, WBE, DVBE, LBE, and OBE Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Manufacturers for the following (but not limited to) work:

Subcontractors

Electrical, Electrical Trenching, Rail Installation, Asphalt Paving, Concrete Paving, Concrete Curb & Gutter, Demolition, Structural Steel Erection, Fence and Barriers, Painting, Striping, Hazardous Material Removal, Reinforcing Steel, Survey

Vendors

Reinforced Concrete Pipe, PVC Pipe, Ductile Iron Pipe & Fittings, Ready Mix Concrete, Aggregates, K Rail, Misc. Metal, Pre-Fab Buildings, Pre-Fab Canopy, Signs, Trucking, Temporary Offices, Geotextiles, Pre-Cast Concrete Vaults, CPM Scheduling, SWPPP

HARBOR DEPARTMENT of the CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Port of Los Angeles
Berths 142-143 Backland Improvements
San Pedro, CA
Specification No. 2756

BID DATE October 15, 2013 @ 2:45 p.m.

Sub & Vendor Bids Due Prior



Sukut Construction, LLC

4010 W. Chandler Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92704

Contact: Steve Reiser

Phone: (714) 540-5351 • Fax: (714) 545-2003 • Email: estimating@sukut.com

Plans/specs are available from owner and 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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DL Falk Construction is requesting subcontractor / supplier bids from certified DVBE, DBE, WBE, SBE & MBE Companies for the above project:

Monroe Elementary School Modernization
260 Madrid Street, San Francisco, CA 94112
Bid Date: October 15, 2013 at 1:00 PM

Scope includes hazmat abatement, selective demo, underground utilities, concrete patching, structural steel, metal fabrication, rough carpentry, caseworks, insulation, roofing, floor/wall/ceiling finishes, metal doors & hardware, specialties, equipments, HVAC, plumbing, electrical and etc...

D.L Falk Construction, Inc.

3256 Investment Blvd. • Hayward, CA 94545

Phone 510-887-6500 • Fax 510-887-6501

Bid Documents are available for viewing at our office, or at local Builders Exchanges

We are requesting bid quotations from all DVBE, SBE, CBE, WBE, & MBE Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following:

Project: Monroe Community Wellness Center 9119 Haskell Avenue, North Hills, CA 91343

Description: Design-Build, New 1-story building. Wood frame structure. Approximately 13,600 SF.

- Prevailing Wage
- Local hiring requirements

Bid Due Date: October 18, 2013 at 2pm



Contact: Monica Jimenez (626) 304-1190

199 S. Los Robles, Suite 300 • Pasadena, CA. 91101

BLOCKA CONSTRUCTION, INC.

REQUESTS QUOTATIONS FROM ALL QUALIFIED SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS, INCLUDING CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO SMALL AND MICRO LBE FIRMS, FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

Broadway Tunnel Ventilation Upgrade (DPW Contract No. 2143J)

OWNER: City and County of San Francisco – Department of Public Works

BID DATE/TIME: October 16, 2013 – 2:30 PM

Qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers, including City and County of San Francisco Small and Micro LBE firms, wanted for the following items, including, but not limited to: Concrete, Demolition (including concrete and equipment), Sheet Metal Fabrication, Painting, Duct Cleaning, Electrical, Traffic Control, HVAC Testing & Balancing, HVAC Controls, CO2 Monitoring

Bonding, insurance, lines of credit and any technical assistance or information related to the plans or specifications and requirements for the work will be made available to all interested firms.

Plans available for viewing at:

Blocka Construction, Inc.

4455 Enterprise Street, Fremont, CA 94538

Contact: Lori Magruder – lmagruder@blockainc.com

P: 510-657-3686; F: 510-657-3688

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Arntz Builders, Inc.

19 Pamaron Way • Novato, CA 94949

415-382-1188 • Fax: 415-883-7529

Contact: Kathy Rowen or Adrienne Lewis
 bid@arntzbuilders.com

REQUESTS QUOTATIONS FROM ALL CERTIFIED DVBE/SBE/DBE/WBE/MBE/LBE and ALL QUALIFIED SUBCONTRACTORS & SUPPLIERS FOR ALL TRADES FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

MODERNIZATION AT MONROE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SAN FRANCISCO, CA

BID DATE: OCTOBER 15, 2013 at 2:00pm

ESTIMATE: \$6,500,000.00

Bonding, Insurance, Technical Assistance available. Plans available in GC's Plan room. Successful subcontractors will be required to sign Arntz Builders inc standard subcontract agreement which includes the right for Arntz Builders inc to require subcontractors to provide a 100% faithful performance and payment bonds of the subcontract price from a treasury listed surety company acceptable to Arntz Builders. Bond premium to be included in bid as a separate item. Subcontractors will be required to provide a waiver of subrogation endorsement to their workers compensation insurance.

We are signatory to the Carpenter's and Laborer's Collective Bargaining Agreements

This project has a Project Labor Agreement.

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Requesting sub-bids from qualified SBE/MBE/WBE/DVBE Subcontractors and Suppliers

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. is bidding this project and solicits your participation in preparation of this bid. We are particularly interested in bids from subcontractors/suppliers for the following work items: DEWATERING, STEEL LINER INSTALLATION, STEEL PIPE, STEEL LINER, DISINFECTION, FENCING, REVEGETATION, READY-MIX CONCRETE, REINFORCING STEEL, CEMENT MORTAR LINING, PAINTING AND COATING, ELECTRICAL, INSTRUMENTATION, AND CATHODIC PROTECTION.

Pipeline 3 Desal Relining San Marcos to Twin Oaks

Location: San Marcos, CA

Owner: San Diego County Water Authority

Estimated Cost: \$30,000,000 - \$35,000,000

Bid Date: October 15, 2013 @ 2:00 PM

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc.

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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

Plans are available from: Free download available from San Diego County Water Authority's website at: <http://www.sdcwa.org/contracting-opportunities>, which has links to the contract documents via The Network.

Plans may also be viewed at the Dodge News Plan Rooms and at

J.F. Shea Construction office, 667 Brea Canyon Road, Suite 30 • Walnut, CA 91788

Bidders are required to read and understand owner's requirements including warranty requirements. Bidder's or manufacturer's standard warranties will not be accepted unless they comply fully with owner's requirements.

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer and intends to negotiate in good faith with interested MBE/WBE/SBE/DVBE firms and intends to utilize the lowest responsive bidder.

**McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.
IS SEEKING BIDS FROM QUALIFIED DVBE SUBCONTRACTORS & SUPPLIERS:**

**JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE 1A
INTERIM HOUSING / PARKING LOT / TENNIS COURTS
6500 Atlantic Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90805**

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. is the General Contractor on the above referenced project and is requesting a proposal from you for labor and/or material in your specialty of work.

SUBCONTRACTOR BIDS ARE DUE Thursday, Oct. 24th, 2013 at 2:00 PM.

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. as the General Contractor invites your prequalified firm to propose on the PHASE 1A INTERIM HOUSING at the JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL project for the construction of a 53-unit Interim Housing Village, a 29-stall Parking Lot, 6 post-tensioned Tennis Courts, a new Main Service Electrical Yard, and Underground Infrastructure for future phases of Site Utilities and Conduit Ductbanks for power & communications. Interior building trades include new & relocated cabinetry, signs, new sinks, Communications & Fire Alarm. Sitework includes earthwork, underground utilities, site concrete, AC paving, pavement markings/signs/bumpers, fencing, tennis courts, landscaping & site electrical. The approximate construction value is \$4.0 million with an 8-month duration.

Work categories include: Survey, Erosion Control, Demolition, Earthwork, Site Utilities, Fences and Gates, AC Paving, Pavement Markings, Site Concrete, Post-tensioned Tennis Courts, Landscaping, Rough Carpentry, Finish Carpentry, Painting, Signage, Screens & Mounts, Window Coverings, Plumbing, Electrical/Fire Alarm/Low Voltage Communication Systems, and Final Cleanup.

This is a prevailing wage project with an OCIP requirement.

Prequalification - All subcontractor bidders must be prequalified to participate in this bid. Contact Kevin Helgevold at McCarthy Building Companies for Prequalification Form & instructions. Suppliers: A list of prequalified subcontractors is available upon request.

Bid Documents - An electronic CD of the bid documents is available upon request.

Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE)

The District has adopted a Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Participation Program (DVBE), which includes businesses owned by Disabled Veterans. The District has established participation goals to attain 3 percent going to DVBE.

McCarthy is an equal opportunity employer and encourages DVBE participation.

A 100% Performance & Payment Bond will be required from an admitted surety for subcontracts over \$100,000. Upon request, subcontractors will be required to provide evidence of their ability to provide same within twenty-four (24) hours.

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.

Kevin Helgevold x73392, Preconstruction Director

20401 SW Birch Street, Suite 300, Newport Beach, CA 92660

Phone: (949) 851-8383 • Fax: (949) 756-6841



**REQUEST FOR DBE SUBCONTRACTORS
AND SUPPLIERS FOR:**

Hwy 128 Roadway and Slope, Booneville

Caltrans #01-476604

BID DATE: October 8, 2013 @ 2:00 PM

We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to): Trucking, Lead Compliance Plan, Construction Area Signs, Portable Changeable Message Sign, SWPPP, Rain Event Action Plan, Storm Water Sampling & Analysis, Storm Water Annual Report, Temporary Erosion Control, Sweeping, Water Quality Sampling & Analysis, Biologist, Natural Resource Protection Plan, Destroy Well, Adjust Utilities to Grade, Cold Plane AC, Clearing & Grubbing, Develop Water Supply, Structure Excavation, Structure Backfill, Planting, Erosion Control, Hydroseed, Rumble Strip, AC Dike, Tack Coat, Ground Anchor, Minor Concrete, Bar Reinforcing Steel, Structural Shotcrete, Roadside Signs, Rock Slope Protection, Misc. Iron & Steel, Fencing, Delineator, Marker, Striping & Marking, Temporary Active Treatment System and Construction Materials

O.C. Jones & Sons, Inc.

1520 Fourth Street • Berkeley, CA 94710

Phone: 510-526-3424 • FAX: 510-526-0990

Contact: Dan Palmer

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100% Performance & Payment Bonds may be required. Worker's Compensation Waiver of Subrogation required. Please call OCJ for assistance with bonding, insurance, necessary equipment, material and/or supplies. OCJ is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage DBE Participation. Plans & Specs are available for viewing at our office or through the Caltrans Website at www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/weekly_ads/index.php.

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real-world needs of the changing global marketplace. These partnerships strengthen not only the American workforce, but the American economy as well."

The increased support for community colleges and job skills training falls short of the ambitious \$10 billion effort President Obama laid out during his first term, but represents a significant investment in these vitally important but often marginalized institutions.

President Obama has said that every American needs at least one year of postsecondary education, and he set as a goal the U.S. regaining its position as the country with the highest proportion of college graduates in the world by 2020.

Research indicates that by that time, fully two-thirds of all jobs in the United States will require at least an associate's degree. Unless we significantly invest in post-secondary education for more Americans, we are on target to fall short by five million skilled workers.

Source: Opportunity Nation