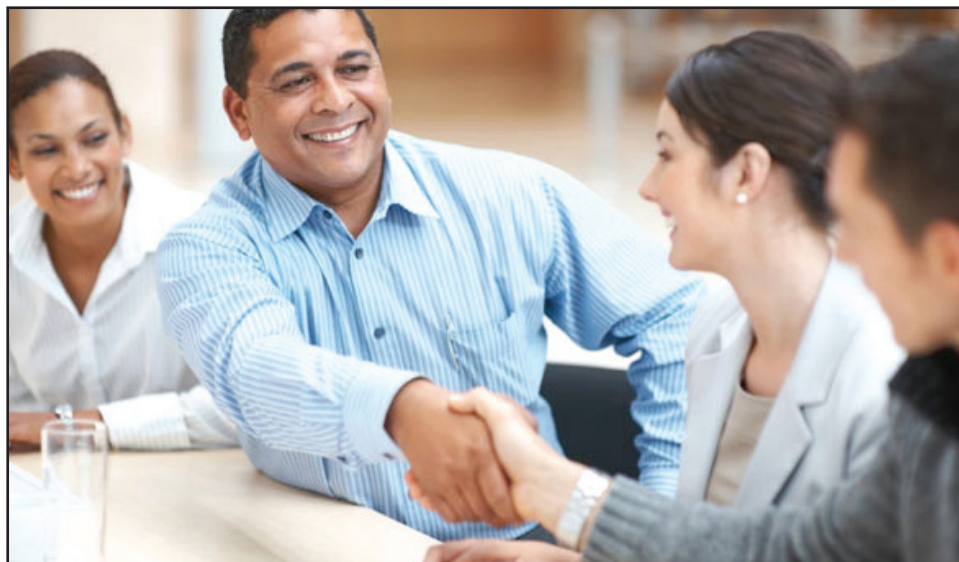


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SBA Announces New Online Tool To Match Lenders to Entrepreneurs



Administrator Maria Contreras-Sweet announced that the Small Business Administration (SBA) would launch a first of its kind tool on the federal agency's website that will allow entrepreneurs looking for a small business loan to get matched with a SBA lender. This new tool, called LINC (Leveraging Information and Networks to access Capital) will have small business owners fill out a simple online form of 20 questions and connect them with lenders within 48 hours. By directly connecting with prospective borrowers, the agency will be able to provide more guidance and ensure more capital is reaching our nation's entrepreneurs.

"Effective today, LINC will bring entrepreneurs and SBA lenders together. There's a hunger among entrepreneurs to find financing to get their business off the ground or take the next big step in their expansion plan. The SBA stands there ready to help them, now with a few simple clicks," said Contreras-Sweet. "Across the country, thousands of small business owners pound the pavement ev-

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Maria Contreras-Sweet

ery day looking for term loans, equipment financing, lines of credit, invoice financing, and real estate loans to help them hire and grow. If you have a bankable business idea backed by good credit and sound financial planning, the SBA wants to streamline the process for you to get the capital you need."

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WGA & Congressman Cardenas Oppose Comcast-Time Warner Cable Merger

Congressman Tony Cardenas (CA-29) added his voice to the growing list of public officials, consumer groups and businesses that are opposed to allowing Comcast's acquisition of Time Warner Cable. During a briefing held at the headquarters of the Writers Guild of America, West (WGAW) and attended by representatives of legislative offices from across the L.A. region, Cardenas officially stated his opposition to the deal.

"Today I announce my strong opposition to the Comcast-Time Warner Cable merger. I ask the FCC, the DOJ, and the California Public Utilities Commission to deny this merger because it is bad for consumers, will harm competition, will lead to less diverse content, more expensive cable and internet access, and will eliminate good jobs in

California. If approved, the Comcast-Time Warner Cable merger will drastically change the landscape for media and broadband internet service in America. The pending merger between Comcast and Time Warner Cable will enable an increased market dominance that will have a particularly negative impact on diversity of content and minority communities," said Cardenas.

"Mergers that increase the power of content gatekeepers do not serve the interests of consumers or creators. Comcast has already stated that if the merger is allowed it will save money by paying less for content. This means that programmers will have less money to invest in content, which means less creativity, less innovation and less product. This could translate into fewer jobs, including

right here in Los Angeles. While approval of this deal once seemed an inevitable outcome, the issues raised here today and over the last year make clear that the appropriate action for state and federal regulators is to say no to the merger," added WGAW president Chris Keyser.

Presentations given by the WGAW, The Greenlining Institute, Entravision Communications Corporation, Sports Fans Coalition, and Presente.org detailed the far-reaching effects the merger will have on consumers, independent programmers and content creators, diverse communities, sports fans, and businesses throughout the Southland. New research conducted by the WGAW concludes that should the merger take place, Comcast's increased buyer power as a distributor of television and the Internet will lead to higher prices for consumers, fewer content choices and less diverse and innovative content. Virtually no one in the L.A. region will be left untouched by this mega-merger.

L.A. Consumers are almost certain to face higher prices for cable and Internet service, more restrictions on how they can access the content they want and worse customer service. Local consumers will have little choice but to accept this new reality because for 72 per cent of Los Angeles County residents living in Comcast's proposed footprint, Comcast will be the only choice for high-speed broadband.

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Survey of California Small Businesses 2015



The Center for Economic Development at CSU, Chico and the Northeastern California SBDC network is seeking your help. Each year we work with Small Business California to conduct the largest annual survey of California Small Businesses.

If you are a small business, would you please take 3 minutes complete the survey at the link below.

If you are are regional business association, chamber or other group, could you please forward this survey to your members. The more members who participate, the greater your voice will be heard!

Your input will be used to shape policies and resources to grow a strong California Economy!

Link to the survey:
www.surveymonkey.com/s/SBCAL2015

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Heroes in the Fight: Meet Rick



Rick Andrews

Rick Andrews is the coordinator for the Positive Reinforcement Opportunity Project (PROP), a substance use treatment and counseling program for gay, bi, and trans men and other men who have sex with men who wish to stop or reduce their use of crystal meth or cocaine. In the five years since Andrews started coordinating the program, he's brought increasing numbers of men into the program — and in some cases, helped to keep them on afterwards as volunteers or paid staff.

"There have been a lot of success stories from PROP," Andrews says. "Many people have made lasting and positive changes — not always total abstinence — bringing them to a safer and healthier place in their lives."

Andrews has been able to start — and expand — the PROP program over the years to meet the varied and extensive needs of his clients. With over 70 men enrolled since July of this year, and over 400 since the program's inception, he's obviously doing something right.

His impact on PROP even extends to his transform concept. It's so satisfying to see guys who come in for our services start to take better care of themselves," he says. Four years ago, he started the Healing Arts drop-in group at the

foundation. The group weekly group holds acupuncture and massage sessions on a regular basis. For two years, Andrews even taught yoga to the group one night a week.

Visit link below for the full article:

www.sbeinc.com/resources/cms.cfm?fuseaction=news_detail&articleID=1082&pageID=25

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST AD

Balfour Beatty Construction

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(510) 903-2054

Contact: Chet Brians • cbrians@balfourbeattyus.com

PROJECT: Transbay Block 9

LOCATION: San Francisco, CA

BID DUE DATE: March 26, 2015 at 2:00 PM

OCII project and 50% SBE / LBE goal

SCOPE OF WORK: Bid Package Group 1:

- Mechanical Systems – Design/Build
- Electrical – Design/Build
- Curtainwall Systems – Design/Build
- Shoring Systems – Design/Build
- Dewatering Systems
- Plumbing – Design/Build
- Fire Protection – Design/Build
- Elevators – Design/Build
- Excavation, Remediation and Demolition

Proposing Subcontractor/Supplier

You are hereby invited to submit a bid proposal to provide labor, material and equipment as necessary to perform the Work according to the your respective discipline per the corresponding Bid Package(s) listed above for the **Transbay Block 9** located in San Francisco, California. Your bid is to be in based on the Contract Documents, as prepared by SOM, and other Bid Instructions, Contract Appendices, and Attachments.

KEY DATES/INFORMATION

- PRE-BID MEETING:** March 5, 2015 at 2:00PM
- LOCATION:** San Francisco Branch Library
Park Meeting Room
1833 Page Street, San Francisco, California
- LAST DAY FOR RFI'S:** March 18, 2015 at 4:00PM
- FINAL ADDENDA:** March 20, 2015 at 4:00PM
- BID PROPOSALS DUE:** March 26, 2015 at 2:00PM

Bid Documents and other pertinent information can also be downloaded directly from Balfour Beatty Construction's **Egnyte** site at the following link:

Link to bid documents:
<https://bbcus.egnyte.com/fl/3wucv14z2>

Link to prequalification site:
www.balfourbeattyus.com

Plans and Specs. are also available at Balfour Beatty Construction office.

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Sub-bids from All Qualified & Certified DBE Subcontractors/Suppliers
for:

San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) IFB No. 5007000

SR 15 Mid-City Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project in Mid-City San Diego along SR 15 at El Cajon Blvd & University Ave

Bids Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 2:00 PM

(Bid Date Extended per Addendum 4 issued 02/12/2015)

Description of Work: (Please note: Bid item list has changed per Addendum 4) Aggregate Supply, Anti-Graffiti Coating, Architectural Surfacing, Asphalt Paving, Bridge/Road Joint Seals, Canopies, Cast-in-Drill Holes, Clear and Grub, Concrete Barrier, Concrete Supply, Construction Area Signs, Demolition, Dowels, Earthwork, Electrical (Roadway & Building), Elevator Work, Erosion Control, Fencing, Handrailing, HVAC, Landscaping, Metal Beam Guard Rail, Minor Concrete, Misc. Iron and Steel, Pavement Grinding, Pavement Markings, Ornamental Fencing, Potholing, Rebar, Roofing, Sawcutting, Signs, Sign Structures, Soundwalls, Station Platform Improvements, Storm Drain System, Striping, SWPPP, Tie Bars, Traffic Control, Trucking, Wet Utilities, Windows.

Atkinson/Clark a Joint Venture

27422 Portola Parkway, Suite 250, Foothill Ranch, CA 92610

Phone: 949-855-9755 / 949-382-7145 • Fax: 949-855-9923

Contact: Curt Waggoner (curt.waggoner@atkn.com)

Atkinson/Clark a Joint Venture is a union contractor and an Equal Opportunity Employer. Atkinson/Clark will assist in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials and/or related services. We will split items of work (refer to project specs for full list of bid items) and provide assistance for bonding, LOC and insurance where needed. 100% Performance & Payment Bonds will be required from an approved surety company. Atkinson/Clark will pay the cost of bonds up to 1.5%. Subcontractors will be expected to sign Atkinson/Clark's standard subcontract and to comply with our company's standard insurance requirements which include a waiver of subrogation.

TO DOWNLOAD BID DOCUMENTS, PLANS SPECS AND ADDENDA:

Please go to the SanDAG Contracts web site: <http://www.sandag.org/contracts>.

Register in SanDAG's online database to access documents and receive updates.

Plans and specs are available for viewing in our Foothill Ranch office.

Please call to make an appointment.

REQUESTING BIDS FROM DBE/MBE/WBE/OBE Subcontractors and Vendors

Project: County Water Consolidation-Pipeline & Appurtenances (Contract 75904)

Owner: Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

Bid Date: 3/31/2015

Please provide scope letters to Blois Construction 2 days prior to bid date

Please submit quotes at least one day prior to bid

Blois Construction is bidding this project as a Prime Contractor and is requesting bids from the following trades and suppliers:

PAVING - SURVEYING - AGGREGATES - CONCRETE - WATER WORKS MATERIALS - SHORING - EQUIPMENT RENTAL - TRAFFIC CONTROL - STRIPING

For questions regarding the project, contact Crissy Gonzales at 805.656.1432, FAX 805.485.0338 or email deliagonzales@bloisconstruction.com. If interested in bidding this project, Blois Construction is willing to assist all qualified subcontractors/suppliers in obtaining bonding, required insurance, materials, supplies or lines of credit if requested.

Plans and specifications are available for viewing at the Office of Blois Construction Inc. at no charge; or for assistance, contact Crissy Gonzales.

Blois Construction is committed to working with qualified DBE/MBE/WBE/OBE subcontractors and suppliers who respond. Delivery schedules will be accommodated and categories of work broken down to facilitate maximum participation. Please include any certification you may have when submitting bids. Self Certification is not acceptable.

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Beijing Ready to Start Building \$8B Universal Studios Theme Park

By Gene Marks

Construction on a Universal Studios theme park will begin in Beijing's east suburban district of Tongzhou this year, district director Yue Peng said in a work report.

The Beijing Universal Studios was approved by the National Development and Reform Commission in September 2014 and is expected to be completed in 2019.

The park, which covers 2.02 million square meters of floor space, is set to attract a total investment of 50 billion yuan (\$7.98 billion).

The upcoming Universal Studios, the sixth of its kind in the world, will feature a Universal CityWalk retail-entertainment complex and the world's first Universal-themed resort hotel.

Chinese elements have been incorporated in the planning to boost the city's tourist appeal to foreign visitors, according to the culture and tourism administration bureau of the district.

World's oldest and most famous Universal Studios theme park in Los Angeles offers a collection of rides, shows, food and beverage and merchandise shops all at one place. The latest attraction - Despicable Me: Minion Mayhem - features a family friendly simulator adventure through the Minion training facility, which opened on April 12, 2014.

The giant theme park, operated by US cable company NBCUniversal, was the first to allow the public to experience action-packed entertainment and take a behind-the-scenes look at movie making.



Beijing Universal Studio concept art

Universal Studios operates four theme parks - in Los Angeles, Orlando, Osaka and Singapore, with the fifth scheduled to open in Beijing in 2019.

Besides similar movie-themed attractions in other counties, the Beijing location will also feature traditional and modern Chinese culture, according to Beijing Daily.

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Source: China Daily: Hong Kong Edition;
<http://enr.construction.com>

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SolarCity Corporation

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(i.e. certified SBE, DBE, UDBE, WBE, etc.) for
East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)

Type of Work soliciting for:

General Earthwork
(grading, leveling, trenching, dust and runoff
control, etc.), PV Installation, & Electrical

Contact

Wes Bennion at wbennion@solarcity.com



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LBE and ALL QUALIFIED
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ALL TRADES FOR THE FOLLOWING
PROJECT:

VISITACION VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SFUSD PROJECT NO. 11524 SAN FRANCISCO, CA

BID DATE: March 3, 2015 at 2:00PM
ESTIMATE: \$7,000,000

Trades needed but not limited to: Site Demolition, Earthwork, Site Concrete, Structural Concrete, Shotcrete, Rebar, Patching Brick Paving, Structural Steel, Steel Deck, Metal Fabrications, Misc Metals, Finish Carpentry, Gyp Board, Architectural Woodwork, Waterproofing, Insulation, Below Grade Vapor Retarder, Vapor Emission Control System, Built up Roofing, Flashing and Sheetmetal, Roof Hatches, Joint Sealants, Doors Frames and Hardware, Overhead Coiling Doors, Glass, Glazing and Aluminum, Skylights, Drywall and Metal Framing, Plaster, Ceramic Tiling, Refinishing Wood Flooring, Acoustical Ceilings, Epoxy Flooring, FRP Wall Panels, Acoustical Insulation, Painting, Visual Display Surfaces, Signage, Toilet Compartments and Accessories, Wall Louvers, Corner Guards, Evacuation Chairs, Steel Lockers, Fire Protection, Building Specialties, Basketball Goals, Projection Screens, Window Drapes and Valance, Stainless Steel Countertops, Window Shades, Covered Walkway Assembly, Fire Alarm and Fire Sprinkler Systems, Plumbing, HVAC and Hazmat

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**11th Street East Tracy Overhead Bridge Replacement Project
(N. MacArthur Drive to Cabe Road), City of Tracy
CIP No. 73063, Federal Aid Project No. BHLS-5192(020)
BID DATE: March 3, 2015 @ 2:00 PM**

O. C. Jones & Sons, Inc. is soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to):

Trucking, Track Settlement Monitoring, Ballast Tamping, Construction Staking, Field Office, Lead Compliance Plan, Project Funding Sign, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Flashing Arrow Sign, Type III Barricade, Portable Changeable Message Sign, SWPPP, Storm Water Annual Report, Hydroseed, Sweeping, Abandon Culvert, Adjust Utilities, Cold Plane AC, Sand Backfill, Tree Removal, Clearing & Grubbing, Roadway Excavation Type Z-2 Aerially Deposited Lead, Lean Concrete Backfill, Imported Borrow, Landscaping, Cobble Paving, Boulders, Decomposed Granite, Irrigation System, Erosion Control, AC Dike, Geosynthetic Pavement Interlayer, Mechanically Stabilized Embankment, Temporary Retaining Wall, Minor Concrete, Cast-In-Place Concrete Collar, Minor Structures, Roadside Signs, Underground Storm, Drainage Wick, Rock Slope Protection, Detectable Warning Surface, Minor Concrete Misc., Sewer Line Modifications, Water Line Modifications, Fencing, Object Marker, Metal Railing, Crash Cushion, Collapsible Bollard, Striping & Marking, Electrical, Porcelain Enamel Sign, Bronze Plaque, and Construction Materials

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**Hwy 12 Repair Pavement/Overlay, Terminous - Caltrans #10-0W5604
BID DATE: February 25, 2015 @ 2:00 PM**

We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to): Trucking, Progress Schedule, Lead Compliance Plan, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Portable Changeable Message Sign, Water Pollution Control Program, Sweeping, Temp. Fencing, Treated Wood Waste, Adjust Monument to Grade, Cold Plane AC, Dust Suppressant, Shoulder Backing, Crack Treatment, Prepaving Inertial Profiler, Grinding, AC Dike, Rumble Strip, Data Core, Tack Coat, Jointed Plane Concrete Pavement (RSC), Midwest Guardrail System, Alt. Flared Terminal System, Striping & Marking, Pavement Marker, Channelizers, Crash Cushions, Remove Guard Rail, Prepave Grind, Modify Vehicle Classification System, Electrical and Construction Materials

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Sub Bids Requested From Qualified
DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers for

**City of Woodland
Downtown Streetscape (Third to Sixth)
CIP# 08-58 / STPL-5046 (40)**

Location: Woodland, CA

Bid Date: March 5, 2015 @ 2:30 PM

McGuire and Hester is seeking qualified subcontractors in the following trades: trucking; landscape; concrete; electrical; sawcutting; striping; SWPPP; and micro-surfacing.

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 and specs.

McGuire and Hester

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Contact: Dave Koerber

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Sub Bids Requested From Qualified
DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers for

**City of Citrus Heights - Sunrise Blvd.
Complete Street Improvements - Phase 3
Location: Citrus Heights, CA**

Bid Date: March 5, 2015 @ 2:00 PM

McGuire and Hester is seeking qualified subcontractors in the following trades: masonry; landscape; striping; concrete; rebar; asphalt grinding; asphalt color & stamping; electrical; clearing & grubbing; demolition; traffic control; trucking; surveying; pavement fabric oil; construction area signs; and fencing.

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**LBEs for the following project:
11TH STREET EAST TRACY OVERHEAD BRIDGE
REPLACEMENT (N. MACARTHUR DRIVE TO
CABE ROAD) CIP 73063,
FEDERAL PROJECT NI. BHLS-5192(020)**

**OWNER: CITY OF TRACY
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT
333 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, TRACY, CA 95376
BID DATE: MARCH 3, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.**

We hereby encourage responsible participation of local Business Enterprises, and solicit their subcontractor or materials and/or suppliers quotation for the following types of work including but not limited to: AC Dike, Adjust Iron, Bridge, Clearing and Grubbing/Demolition, Construction Area Sign, Crash Cushion, Drainage Wick, Electrical, Erosion Control, Fencing, Landscaping, Minor Concrete, Minor Concrete Structure, Paving Fabric, Roadside Signs, Striping, Survey/Staking, Temporary Erosion Control, Haul (Type Z-2) ADL's, Underground, Prepare WPPP, Vibration Monitoring, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping, Imported Borrow, Class 2 Aggregate Base Material, Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) Material

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DeSilva Gates Construction

11555 Dublin Boulevard

P.O. Box 2909

Dublin, CA 94568-2909

(925) 829-9220 / FAX (925) 803-4263

Estimator: Victor Le

Website: www.desilvagates.com

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DeSilva Gates Construction, L.P. is soliciting

**for LBEs for the following project:
CONSTRUCTION ADJACENT TO STATE HIGHWAY
IN MENDOCINO COUNTY IN AND NEAR WILLITS AT
VARIOUS LOCATIONS, CONTRACT NO. 01-262054,
FEDERAL AID PROJECT ACNHP-Q101(263)E**

**OWNER: STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
1727 30th Street, Bidder's Exchange, MS 26,
Sacramento, CA 95816**

BID DATE: March 03, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.

We hereby encourage responsible participation of local Business Enterprises, and solicit their subcontractor or materials and/or suppliers quotation for the following types of work including but not limited to: Biologist Consultant, Clearing and Grubbing/Demolition, Permanent Erosion Control, Temporary Erosion Control, Fencing, Landscaping, SWPPP Preparation, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping

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11555 Dublin Boulevard

P.O. Box 2909

Dublin, CA 94568-2909

(925) 829-9220 / FAX (925) 803-4263

Estimator: Steve Lippis

Website: www.desilvagates.com

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**C730 (DB 14062F) Parking Structures at Milpitas and Berryessa Stations
Milpitas & San Jose, CA**

Requesting Bids: Bid Package #1 – Berryessa Structure – March 3, 2015 --- 2:00PM

Scope of work: The Silicon Valley Rapid Transit Authority is planning to construct two new parking structures, one at the proposed Milpitas Station in Milpitas, California and one at the proposed Berryessa Station in San Jose, California. The proposed 6-story Milpitas Station parking structure shall provide at least 1,200 parking spaces and the proposed 7-story Berryessa Station parking structure shall provide at least 1,150 parking spaces.

Bid Package #1 includes the following trades for the Berryessa Site Only: Masonry, Cable Rail Systems, Waterproofing, Signage, Underground Utilities, and Testing & Inspection

Bid Package #2 is tentatively bidding March 19, 2015. This package includes for the Berryessa Site Only: Early Works Steel, Drywall, Plaster, Applied Fireproofing, Acoustical Ceilings, Parking Control Revenue & Collection Systems (for both structures).

Bid Package #3 is tentatively bidding April 30, 2015. This package includes for the Berryessa Site Only: Remaining Steel Work, Expansion Joints, Traffic Coatings & Sealants, Roofing, Flashings & Sheet Metals, Doors, Frames, & Hardware, Overhead Coiling Grilles, Tile, Flooring, Painting, Fire Extinguishers & Cabinets, Pavement Markings, Automated External Defibrillator Devices, Truncated Domes, and Fire Safing at CMU Walls.

Applicable Contractor NAICS Codes are: 221310 - Water, Sewage and Other Systems; 237110 - Water and Sewer Line and Related Structures Construction; 238120 - Structural Steel and Precast Concrete Contractors; 238130 - Framing Carpentry Contractors; 238140 - Masonry Contractors; 238160 - Roofing Contractors; 238290 - Other Building Equipment Contractors; 238310 - Drywall and Insulation Contractors; 238320 - Painting and Wall Covering Contractors; 238330 - Flooring Contractors; 238340 - Tile and Terrazzo Contractors; 238350 - Finish Carpentry Contractors; 238390 - Other Building Finishing Contractors; 238910 - Site Preparation Contractors; 238990 - All Other Specialty Trade Contractors; 532411 - Construction, Transportation, Mining and Forestry Machinery and Equipment Rental; 561990 - All other Support Services

Applicable Supplier NAICS Codes are: 423320 - Brick, Stone, and Related Construction Material Merchant Wholesalers; 423390-Other Construction Material Merchant Wholesalers; 423510 - Metal Service Centers and Other Metal Merchant Wholesalers; 423990 - Other Miscellaneous Durable Goods Merchant Wholesalers; 444110 - Building Material and Supplies Dealer; 444120 - Paint and Wallpaper Stores; 444190 - Other Building Material Dealers

Applicable Professional NAICS Codes are: 541380 - Testing Laboratories; 541990 - All Other Professional, Scientific and Technical Services; 541620 - Environmental Consulting Services

Contact: 916-786-3833 or rcoibion@mccarthy.com

This is a partially Federally funded project and is subject to a Project Labor Agreement.

100% Performance and Payment Bonds will be required from an approved surety for contracts over \$250,000.00.

Actual bond cost up to 1.5% of bid amount will be paid by McCarthy. Upon request, subcontractors will be required to provide evidence of their ability to provide the same within twenty-four (24) hours of bid.

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer.

All Bidders must be signatory to applicable trade union(s): Carpenters, Laborers and Cement Masons.

Brosamer & Wall Inc and Bay Cities Paving and Grading A Joint Venture




An Equal Opportunity Employer
is requesting quotations from all qualified DBE sub-contractors and/or material suppliers
for the following project:

**11th Street East Tracy Overhead Bridge Replacement, Tracy CA
N. MacArthur Drive to Cabe Road
Located in San Joaquin County, CA**

Owner: City Of Tracy Development Services Department

Bid Date: Mar 03, 2015 @ 02:00 PM

We Are Requesting Bids For The Following Subcontractors And/Or Material Suppliers: Track Settlement Monitoring, Ballast Tamping, Construction Staking, Lead Compliance Plan, Project Funding Signs, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Flashing Arrow Sign, Type III Barricade, Temporary Pavement Markings, Temporary Traffic Stripe, Channelizers, Portable Changeable Message Boards, Temporary Railing, Temporary Access Road, Temporary Crash Cushion, Prepare Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, Storm Water Annual Report, Temporary Hydro-Seed, Temporary Drainage Inlet Protection, Temporary Fiber Roll, Temporary Silt Fence, Temporary Construction Entrance, Street Sweeping, Temporary Concrete Washout Facility, Temporary Fence, Abandon Culvert, Remove Chain Link Fence, Remove MBGR, Remove Irrigation Facility, Remove Painted Pavement Markings, Remove Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe, Remove Pavement Markers, Remove Roadside Sign, Remove Post, Remove Asphalt Concrete Dike, Remove Pipe, Remove Inlet, Remove Concrete Headwall, Remove Storm Drain Manhole, Remove Asphalt Concrete Over-Side Drains, Remove Base And Surfacing, Remove Temporary Detour, Reconstruct Chain Link Fence, Reconstruct Railing, Reconstruct Sign, Relocate Survey Monument, Reset Roadside Sign, Relocate Mailbox, Relocate Roadside Sign, Adjust Survey Monument To Grade, Adjust Gas Valve To Grade, Adjust Storm Drain Manhole To Grade, Adjust Pull Box, Cold Plane Asphalt Concrete Pavement, Remove Concrete, Sand Backfill, Remove RCB Culvert, Remove Railing, Remove Crash Cushion Module, Sand-Filled, Concrete Bridge Removal, Timber Bridge Removal, Remove Bollard, Bridge Removal, Clearing And Grubbing, Remove Tree, Roadway Excavation, Structure Excavation, Structure Backfill, Lean Concrete Backfill, Imported Borrow, Landscaping Planting, Cobble Paving, Boulders, Decomposed Granite, Irrigation System, Fiber Roll, Erosion Control, Class 2 Aggregate, Hot Mix Asphalt, Geo-Synthetic Pavement Interlayer, Place Hot Mix Asphalt Dike, Mechanically Stabilized Embankment, Temporary Retaining Wall, Furnish And Erect Temporary Prefabricated Modular Steel Truss Bridge, Permanent Steel Casing, CIDH Concrete Piling, Pre-Stressing, Structural Concrete, Minor Concrete, Lateral Side Connection, CIP Concrete Collar, Storm Drain Junction Structure, Architectural Treatment, Furnish And Erect Precast Pre-Stressed Concrete Girder, Joint Seal, Rebar, Headed Bar Reinforcement, Highway Historic Signs, Roadside Signs, Reinforced Concrete Pipe, Drainage Work, Storm Drain Manhole, Drop Inlet, Area Drain, Temporary Detour Drainage, Rock Slope Protection, Minor Concrete, Slope Paving, Detachable Warning Surface, Isolation Casing, Misc. Metal, Bridge Deck Drainage System, Sewer Line Modifications, Water Line Modification, Temporary Fence, Chain Link Fence Object Marker, Metal Railing, Chain Link Railing, Crash Cushion, Cable Railing, Concrete Barrier, Removable Railing, Pedestrian Railing, Protective Railing, Collapsible Bollard, Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe, Paint Traffic Stripe, Pavement Marker, Traffic Signal Stage Construction, Traffic Signal And Lighting, Underpass Lighting System, Street And Bridge Lighting System, Signal Interconnect, Porcelain Enamel Sign, Bronze Plaque, Entry Monument Structure, Ready Mix Furnish And Install, Modular Trailers, Trucking/Hauling.

Please contact Robert Rosas @ rrosas@brosamerwall.com to view plans and specifications or they can be downloaded at <http://www.ci.tracy.ca.us> at no charge.

Requirements: Brosamer & Wall Inc and Bay Cities Paving and Grading A Joint Venture will work with interested subcontractors/suppliers to identify opportunities to break down items into economically feasible packages to facilitate DBE Participation. Brosamer & Wall, Inc. is a union signatory contractor. Subcontractors must possess a current contractor's license, insurance coverage and worker's compensation for the entire length of the contract.

All subcontractors will be required to sign our standard Subcontract Agreement. 100% payment and performance bonds may be required. If you have any questions regarding this project or need assistance in obtaining insurance, bonding, equipment, materials and/or supplies please call (925) 932-7900.

Plans and specifications can be viewed online or at our office located at 1777 Oakland Blvd Suite 110, Walnut Creek, Ca. 94596. Brosamer & Wall Inc and Bay Cities Paving and Grading A Joint Venture, intends to work cooperatively with all qualified firms seeking work on this project. We are an equal opportunity employer and will work with any interested subcontractor to identify opportunities to break items into economically feasible packages. AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

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

11th Street East Tracy Overhead Bridge Replacement

City of Tracy - CIP 73063

Federal Project No. BHLS-5192(020)

Schedule: 540 Working Days

Goal: DBE 7.1%

Bids: March 3, 2015 @ 2:00 PM

Requesting Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to): Fabric and Oils, Electrical Material, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control, Raise Iron-Utilities, cold Plane, Demolition/Bridge Removal, Landscaping, Hydroseeding, Erosion Control, Irrigation, AC Dike, CIDH Piles, Prestressing Concrete Cast-in-Place, Precast Concrete Girders, Joint Seal, Reinforcing Steel, Steel Structure, Signs Roadside, Concrete Curb & Sidewalk-Misc., Fencing, Survey & Historical Monument, Object Marker, Metal Railing, Thermoplastic & Painted Traffic Stripe & Marking, Pavement Marking, Signal and Lighting, Detector, Surveyor, SWPPP, Water Truck, Sweeper, Hazardous Substance Removal, Trucker, Storm Drain (Underground), Wick Drains, Temporary Rail (Type K), MSE Panel Walls, Temporary Walls.

Scope of Work: Replacement of the existing 11th Street OH Bridge with a shorter bridge in combination with retaining walls and embankment fill at approaches. Construction of temporary on-site detour bridge to allow existing bridge to be removed and new bridge to be constructed in one stage aligned with existing structure, reconstruction and widening of 11th Street and MacArthur Drive.

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 online at the City Website at www.ci.tracy.ca.us. Contact Dave Czech 925-606-2400 david.czech@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.

RGW Construction, Inc.

Contractors License A/B 591940

550 Greenville Road • Livermore, CA 94550 • Phone: 925-606-2400 • Fax: 925-961-1925

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Bid Requests from Certified SBE Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following Trades:
Mass Excavation/Rough Grading and Shoring

HUNTER'S VIEW BLOCK 10 (SELECT TRADES)

This is a OCII project with construction workforce and prevailing wage requirements.

**Hunter's View Block 10
146 West Point Road, San Francisco, CA 94124
Bid Date: 2/26/15 @ 2 PM**

Voluntary Job Walk/Pre-bid Meeting on 2/10/15 at 11:00 AM at the jobsite, 146 West Point Road, San Francisco, CA 94124.

Drawings will be issued on January 30.

CAHILL CONTRACTORS, INC.

Contact: Julie Park

estimating@cahill-sf.com, (415) 986-0600

WGA & Congressman Cardenas

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Latinos across the country and here in Los Angeles will be harmed if this merger is approved. Comcast's acquisition of Time Warner Cable would allow it to reach more than 90 per cent of Latino households nationally and become the dominant pay TV provider in LA, the largest Latino media market. Comcast will have make or break power over programmers trying to reach this audience. In addition, the company's higher prices will hit local Latino consumers even harder, because with a median income of \$21,314, compared with \$44,929 for Anglo-Americans, they make significantly less than their white counterparts.

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Chinese New Year 2015: 6 things you need to know about the Year of the Goat (or Sheep)

By Francesca Washtell

When is it?

Thursday February 19, 2015 marks Chinese New Year, the longest and most important holiday in the Chinese calendar.

The world's largest annual human migration is now well underway as 2.8 billion trips are made across China in what is known as chun yun, when students, migrant workers and office employees living away from home will make the journey back to celebrate with their families.

It is China's most important holiday

Chinese New Year is the longest national holiday in China, spanning a total of fifteen days, and New Year's Day is the most important date in the Chinese calendar.

The first three days of the new year are a statutory holiday but usually most people will have the time from New Year's Eve to the sixth day of the new year off from work.

Although China has used the Gregorian calendar since 1912, Chinese New Year is based on the ancient Chinese lunar calendar, and it falls on the second new moon after winter solstice - somewhere between 21 January and 19 February, meaning it changes from year to year.

It is pronounced "Gong Xi Fa Cai" in Mandarin and "Gong Hey Fat Choy" in Cantonese, although both are written the same way.

Roughly a sixth of the world will celebrate it

As well as being celebrated in China itself, celebrations occur in Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia and all countries where there are significant Chinese populations.

London and San Francisco both claim to host the largest celebrations outside of Asia, and smaller celebrations occur in most Western countries. This year London's celebrations will take place on 22 February from 10am to 6pm in Trafalgar Square and include a parade through the West End.

Wish people a happy new year by saying "Xin Nian Kuai Le" in Mandarin or "San Nin Faa Lok" in Cantonese.

Goat or sheep?

2015 is the year of the goat, but you may see it referred to as the "Year of the Sheep" too.

The confusion stems from the Chinese character "yang", which can translate in colloquial Chinese as either sheep or goat.

Those born in 1919, 1931, 1943, 1967, 1979, 1991 or 2003 are goats, who can count their lucky colours as brown, red and purple.

Their characters are supposedly kind and peaceable, while their best months are supposedly August and November and their lucky flowers are primroses and carnations.

Children will sleep with money under their pillow

Children will be given red envelopes filled with money to bring happiness and good fortune.

The envelopes themselves are good luck, as well as the contents, and some children will sleep with their envelopes under their pillow for up to seven days to increase their luck.

A common misconception is that everyone receives money from everyone else as part of Chinese New Year celebrations.

In fact, only people who are not married receive the red packets of money (hong bak) and only those who are married give them out.

How is it celebrated?

Dinners, parades, dragon dances, reunions and gift exchanges are all part of Chinese New Year celebrations.

Red clothing and elements are essential for Chinese New Year, as the mythical monster at the centre of the New Year, Nian, was supposedly scared of the colour red and fireworks, which have also become a key part of New Year celebrations.

Cleaning the house on the twentieth day of the second lunar month before the New Year, and subsequent house decorating, are both major rituals in the run up to New Year.

Each day has its own celebration: while on Day 2 it is traditional to visit friends and relatives, on Day 3 people tend to stay at home as it is not seen as auspicious to socialise.

The final day, Day 15, sees the Lantern Festival, where red Chinese lanterns are released into the sky.

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Fireworks explode at the River Hongbao Lunar New Year Celebrations along Marina Bay in Singapore (Reuters)



A performer takes part in the opening of the Temple Fair, part of Chinese New Year celebrations at Ditan Park, also known as the Temple of Earth, in Beijing (Reuters)



Filipino dancers perform a Dragon Dance on the eve of the Chinese New Year (EPA)



Paper money, called spirit money, is burnt in a bucket by an ethnic-Chinese Thai family in a traditional Chinese New Year ritual, believing that they will be passed onto their ancestors, at the front entrance of their shop-house home in Bangkok, Thailand (EPA)

Business Toolkit

You Might Want To Take Another Pass At Your Passwords

By Yuki Noguchi

Compromises of private corporate or consumer data are all too common. This month, health insurer Anthem announced its customer data was hacked.

Yet even President Obama last week poked fun at our common line of defense: the lazy password.

"It's just too easy for hackers to figure out usernames and passwords like 'password' or '123457.' Those are some of my previous passwords," he said.

In short, passwords have, in some cases, undermined their own security intent.

You'd think a librarian might have a good system for keeping track of all her passwords. But Holly Sammons doesn't. She would have 1-2-3-4 if she could.

Many passwords require a combination of numbers, upper and lower case letters or special characters. And that goes for each of the dozens of accounts and Web sites at home and at work. It's impossible to remember, so Sammons says she cheats.

"I used to keep it on a little sheet of paper behind my ID badge that I wore around at work, but it just has gotten so big," she says.

Apparently, this problem is universal at the Syracuse library where she works: "In the department I work in, we have a whole cheat sheet of passwords that we have."

Sammons says she saves her passwords in an email to herself. Still, she occasionally gets stumped. Then come the security questions.

"My favorite is what was your first car, so then I think: OK, did I say Chevy, or did I say Chevrolet? Did I capitalize it? Or is it all lower case? Or, some

of them are subjective, like what's your favorite movie. So, at any given moment, what would've been the answer to that question?" Sammons asks.

Neal O'Farrell, a security and identity theft expert at Credit Sesame, a credit-monitoring site, says consumers are apathetic.

"It kind of explains why we're in this security pickle," he says. "A lot of it comes from a sense of helplessness: You know, why bother if these hackers are so good? If Home Depot and Target and JPMorgan and Anthem can't stop them, how can I?" he asks.

The core problem, security experts say, is that there's a trade-off between security and convenience. Simply making a password more complex can actually backfire because it becomes impossible to remember.

There is a whole sub-industry of services that offer to manage passwords for you. There are companies developing systems using biometric data like fingerprints or voice-recognition to verify identity. But O'Farrell estimates that fewer than 5 percent of people use those kinds of services.

Cormac Herley is in the 95 percent who don't. He's principal researcher with Microsoft Research, an arm of the software giant.

"Passwords are the worst system in the world — except for all the other systems," he says.

Herley recommends assigning different tiers to passwords. Using your best, most complex ones for work and banking, but devoting less effort to those that don't matter as much. But even that can be a lot to ask, even for him.

"I write the passwords down and have a photocopy at home and a photocopy in the office and a couple copies here and there."

But, could all that be compromising security?



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"Well, I mean, um, yes," he says.

Herley argues in his own defense that there is no perfect alternative. Free password management software, for example, saves your passwords to the Internet Cloud.

But, "as soon as you upload the passwords to the Cloud, you've now introduced another form of risk, so it's not that you've made security clearly and unarguably better," Herley explains.

He says, for every password system developed, hackers often find ways around it.

"There are guessing attacks that are both online and offline, there are phishing and spear-phishing,

and keylogging and malware attacks and server breaches, and we see evidence every day that these attacks succeed," he says.

O'Farrell says that should not discourage consumers.

"There is so much you can do to layer yourself in security, just to make it difficult enough for hackers not to bother with you," he says.

And he says there is still value in keeping your digital door locked with a good password.

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Lean In or Lean Together

The Resource We're Throwing Away: Entrepreneurial Immigrants

By Richard T. Herman



Sitting across a conference table, she stared at me with wide eyes and said, "No, it didn't cross my mind." I'm an immigration lawyer, and I had just asked Emma, a new university graduate with a master of fine arts degree, whether she had thought

about starting a business in America. The 25-year-old from Taiwan was facing the likelihood that she would soon have to leave the United States because her student visa was set to expire. But she saw her future in America, not Taiwan.

Work visas for professionals like Emma are in short supply. About 85,000 of them, called H-1Bs, are allocated each year. Last year the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services received about 175,000 H-1B applications, many of them filed on behalf of international students like Emma. With the demand so far outstripping the supply, so the federal government runs what amounts to a lottery. What a terrible way to attract and retain global talent.

Sitting next to her boyfriend, a green-card holder with an American MBA degree, Emma shared her story of how the U.S. had become her home over the past few years. She wanted to stay. But

how? The H-1B visa avenue seemed unlikely. I asked her if she had heard of the E-2 treaty investor visa, which is available to foreign nationals who acquire or launch a new business, often with an investment of as little as \$100,000. Her native Taiwan one of 80 countries whose nationals are eligible for the program.

Emma hadn't heard of the E-2 program, and I wasn't surprised. Colleges, city halls, and local economic-development organizations in cities across the country are strangely disconnected from this opportunity to launch new local startups and attract foreign investment. With a few exceptions, most cities and states don't view their international-student community as an asset and therefore do little to help them stay after graduation.

Perhaps local communities would react differently if they knew the treasure and talent that these students possess. For starters, this is not the poor

international-student population from decades past, living on ramen noodles and making do without a winter coat. This is an increasingly affluent crowd, often coming from families that have accumulated great wealth in their home countries.

There are nearly 900,000 international students studying in the U.S., and they pump \$27 billion into the U.S. economy each year, supporting 350,000 American jobs. It is not uncommon for an overseas family to budget \$100,000 or more per year for their child's college tuition and living expenses in America.

Visit the link below for the full article: www.sbeinc.com/resources/cms.cfm?fuseaction=news.detail&articleID=1083&pageID=25

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Public Legal Notices

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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INVITATION TO BID

1. Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the Oakland School District ("District" or "Owner") will receive sealed bids for the following: **Project No. 13133-1**

Tenant Improvements at Cole for PEC Relocation-Central Commissary 1011 Union Street, Oakland, CA 94607

2. Sealed Bids will be received until **2:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 10, 2015**, at the District Office, located at **900 High Street, Oakland, California**, at or after which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Any claim by a bidder of error in its bid must be made in compliance with section 5100 et seq. of the Public Contract Code. Any bid that is submitted after this time shall be non-responsive and returned to the bidder.

3. The Project consists of:

Metal Stud Framing, Drywall, painting, some abatement, demo, electrical, Fire Alarm, Flooring, paving parking lot stripping, mechanical, concrete and fencing.

4. **Engineer's Estimate: \$1,195,000.00**

5. **Project Manager for this project is Rocky Borton, he can be reached at (510) 333-2262.**

6. All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, the Instructions to Bidders.

7. To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to possess one or more of the following State of California Contractor Licenses:

B - General Building Contractor

The Bidder's license(s) must be active and in good standing at the time of the bid opening and must remain so throughout the term of the Contract.

8. To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to have been prequalified by the District. In addition,

all subcontractors with the following license classifications must also have been prequalified by the District: Subcontractors with an A, B, C-4, C-7, C-10, C-16, C-20, C-34, C-36, C-38, C-42, C-43, and/or C-46 license(s) that intend to bid as a first-tier subcontractor to a general contractor (prime contractor) that is bidding directly to the District. The Oakland Unified School District has adopted a Contractor Pre-Qualification Program pursuant to California Public Contract Code 20111.5 for all Public Works contracts with a value estimated at \$15,000 or more.

Pre-Qualification Process:

o **Bidders must be pre-qualified at least 10 business days prior to the bid opening date.**

o **List of certified subcontractors (MEP's) will be posted: March 3, 2015**

Pre-Qualification packages are available at the Buildings and Grounds offices located at 955 High Street, Oakland, CA 94601. You can also obtain a Pre-Qualification package from the Districts Website at: www.ousdk12.ca.us. Go to: Departments/Facilities Planning & Management/Bids & Request for Proposals/ Pre Qualification. Please contact Juanita White at (510) 535-7044 with any questions regarding the Contractors Pre-Qualification Program.

PLEASE NOTE THAT BIDS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED FROM PRE-QUALIFIED BIDDERS

BIDS SUBMITTED BY NON PRE-QUALIFIED FIRMS WILL BE REJECTED AS INVALID.

9. As security for its Bid, each bidder shall provide with its Bid form

- a bid bond issued by an admitted surety insurer on the form provided by the District,
- cash, or
- a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn to the order of the Oakland School District, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price. This bid security shall be a guarantee that the Bidder shall, within seven (7) calendar days after the

date of the Notice of Award, enter into a contract with the District for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid.

10. The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a 100 % Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if it is awarded the contract for the Project.

11. The successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall pay all workers on the Project not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to sections 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code. Prevailing wage rates are available from the District or on the Internet at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov>. Bidders and Bidders' subcontractors shall comply with the registration and qualification requirements pursuant to sections 1725.5 and 1771.1 of the California Labor Code.

12. The successful Bidder may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract, in accordance with the provisions of section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

13. Effective January 1, 2015: The Oakland Unified School District has the duty to notify Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) when awarding a contract for a public works project over one thousand dollars (\$1,000), using the online PWC-100 form. This requirement, found in Labor Code Section 1773.3, now applies to ALL public works projects.

Effective March 1, 2015: NO contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project unless registered with DIR.

Effective April 1, 2015: NO contractor or subcontractor may work on a public works project unless registered with DIR.

14. A **MANDATORY** pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on **Thursday, February 26, 2015,**

at 1:00 p.m. at Front Entrance, Cole School Site, 1011 Union Street, Oakland, California 94607.

All participants are required to sign in at the Site Visit meeting. The Site Visit is expected to take approximately 1 hour. Failure to attend or tardiness will render bid ineligible.

15. Contract Documents are available on **Tuesday, February 17, 2015**, for review at East Bay Blue Print, located at 1745 14th Avenue, Oakland, CA 94606. All requests should be addressed Attention: Sandy. Plans can be ordered by:

Ph: 510-261-2990 Fax: 510-261-6077 Email: ebbp@eastbayblueprint.com, Attn Sandy

Online using the Plan Command system at www.eastbayblueprint.com or plans can be delivered to a place of business, at requester's own expense. Payment for plan sets must be made with East Bay Blue Print and are NON-REFUNDALBE.

In addition, Contract Documents are available for review at the following builders' exchanges:

Builder's Exchange of Alameda County
McGraw Hill Construction Data
San Francisco Builder's Exchange
Reed Construction Market Data
Contra Costa Builder's Exchange
Marin Builder's Exchange

16. The District's Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening.

17. **Project Labor Agreement:** The District has entered into a Project Labor Agreement with Building and Construction Trade Council of Alameda County, AFL-CIO.

18. The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible bidder based on: The base bid and Allowance amount only

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY STANISLAUS

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS LIBRARY II RE-ROOF PROJECT #9289 CSU STANISLAUS One University Circle, Turlock, CA 95382

The Trustees of the California State University will receive sealed bid proposals in room MSR290, at the above address, for furnishing all labor and materials for construction of the Library II Re-Roof Project Number 9289, for the CSU Stanislaus campus.

Proposals will be received in the above-mentioned room until 2:00 p.m. on March 19, 2015 in accordance with the contract documents, at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read.

In general, the work consists of the removal of existing 26,000 sq ft roof, provide and install roof insulation and 60 mil fully adhered PVC membrane with proper accessories in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by CRC Consulting Group, 1400 Easton Dr., Ste 138, Bakersfield, CA 93309 (661) 321-9578; e-mail: crbake1@crconconsult.com.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the University and Plan Rooms. Engineer's construction estimate is \$340,000.

Plans and specifications will be available for review and purchase after February 23, 2015 by requesting them from ARC by going to www.e-ARC.com/ca/modesto then clicking on "Public Planroom" or by calling the ARC Modesto location at (209) 524-2924 asking for the PlanWell Department. Plans and specifications cost approximately \$125 plus tax and shipping payable to ARC and are non-refundable.

Each bidder offering a proposal must comply with bidding provisions of Article 2.00 et seq. in the Contract General Conditions, and should be familiar with all the provisions of the Contract General Conditions and Supplementary General Conditions.

This project is a public works project and is subject to prevailing wage rate laws (see Contract General Conditions, Article 4.02-c). All contractors and all tiers of subcontractors bidding on this project shall register to bid public works projects with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), and maintain current this registration pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. Please go to <http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html> for more information and to register.

A mandatory pre-bid walkthrough has been scheduled for March 4, 2015 at 10:00 am. Interested bidders should assemble at Mary Stuart Rogers Building room MSR130 on the campus.

The Trustees require the successful bidder to achieve three percent (3%) DVBE participation in contracting construction projects as established in the bidding documents, and bidders shall identify the DVBEs to be used to satisfy this requirement in their bids. The Trustees are also granting a 1% DVBE bid incentive for DVBE participation of 4%. Bidders shall contact the University's DVBE Program Advocate at (209) 667-3243 or Debbie DaRosa at (209) 667-3987.

It will be the responsibility of each bidder to obtain a bid proposal package in sufficient time to fulfill requirements therein. Bid proposal packages are obtainable only by contractors, licensed in the State of California with a C-39 license, and registered with the DIR to bid public works projects. The bid packages must be requested from the Trustees, located at CSU Stanislaus, One University Circle, Turlock, CA 95382, Attention: Debbie DaRosa, (209) 667-3987.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY STANISLAUS

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CAFETERIA RE-ROOF PROJECT #9288 CSU STANISLAUS One University Circle, Turlock, CA 95382

The Trustees of the California State University will receive sealed bid proposals in room MSR290, at the above address, for furnishing all labor and materials for construction of the Cafeteria Re-Roof Project Number 9288, for the CSU Stanislaus campus.

Proposals will be received in the above-mentioned room until 2:00 p.m. on March 19, 2015 in accordance with the contract documents, at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read.

In general, the work consists of the removal of existing 28,200 sq ft roof, provide and install roof insulation and 60 mil fully adhered PVC membrane with proper accessories in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by CRC Consulting Group, 1400 Easton Dr., Ste 138, Bakersfield, CA 93309 (661) 321-9578; e-mail: crbake1@crconconsult.com.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the University and Plan Rooms. Engineer's construction estimate is \$370,000.

Plans and specifications will be available for review and purchase after February 23, 2015 by requesting them from ARC by going to www.e-ARC.com/ca/modesto then clicking on "Public Planroom" or by calling the ARC Modesto location at (209) 524-2924 asking for the PlanWell Department. Plans and specifications cost approximately \$125 plus tax and shipping payable to ARC and are non-refundable.

Each bidder offering a proposal must comply with bidding provisions of Article 2.00 et seq. in the Contract General Conditions, and should be familiar with all the provisions of the Contract General Conditions and Supplementary General Conditions.

This project is a public works project and is subject to prevailing wage rate laws (see Contract General Conditions, Article 4.02-c). All contractors and all tiers of subcontractors bidding on this project shall register to bid public works projects with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), and maintain current this registration pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. Please go to <http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html> for more information and to register.

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Public Legal Notices



CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Contract No. 2271J
(ID No. FCE15078)

PAVEMENT RENOVATION AND
SEWER REPLACEMENT

GRAFTON AVENUE AND GARFIELD STREET

Sealed bids will be received at 1155 Market Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco, California 94103 until **2:30 p.m. on March 25, 2015**, after which they will be publicly opened and read. Digital files of Bid Documents, Plan Holders Lists, and Addenda may be downloaded at no cost from the Department of Public Works (DPW) Electronic Bid Documents Download site at www.sfdpw.org/biddocs, or purchased on a CD format from 1155 Market Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco, California 94103, telephone 415-554-6229, for a non-refundable \$15.00 fee paid by cash or check to "Department of Public Works". Please visit the DPW's Contracts, Bid Opportunities and Payments webpage at www.sfdpw.org for more information. Notices regarding Addenda and other bid changes will be distributed by email to Plan Holders.

The Work is located along Garfield St, from Junipero Serra Blvd to Orizaba Ave, and Grafton Ave, from Orizaba Ave to Getz St/Mt. Vernon, and consists of pavement renovation, curb ramp construction, sewer replacement, drainage work, traffic routing, and all associated work. The time allowed for completion is 390 consecutive calendar days. The Engineer's estimate is approximately \$2,800,000. For more information, contact the Project Manager, Ramon Kong at 415-554-8280.

On July 1, 2014, the registration program under section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code went into effect. The program requires that all contractors and subcontractors who bid or work on a public works project register and pay an annual fee to the California Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR").

Effective March 1, 2015, no contractor or subcontractor may be listed in a bid for a public works project unless registered with the DIR as required by Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].

Effective April 1, 2015, no contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project unless registered with the DIR pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.

This Project shall incorporate the required partnering elements for **Partnering Level 1**. Refer to Section 01 31 33 for more details.

Pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code (SFAC) Section 6.25, "Clean Construction" is required for the performance of all work.

The Specifications include liquidated damages. Contract will be on a Lump Sum Bid Items With Unit Prices basis. Progressive payments will be made.

The Contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

A bid may be rejected if the City determines that any of the bid item prices are materially unbalanced to the potential detriment of the City.

Bid discounts may be applied as per SFAC Chapter 14B. Subcontracting goal is **25% LBE**. Call Romulus Asenloo at 415-581-2310 for details. In accordance with SFAC Chapter 14B requirements, all bidders, except those who meet the exception noted below, shall submit documented good faith efforts with their bids and must achieve 80 out of 100 points to be deemed responsive. Bidders will receive 15 points for attending the pre-bid conference. Refer to CMD Form 2B for more details. Exception: Bidders who demonstrate that their total LBE participation exceeds the above subcontracting goal by 35% will not be required to meet the good faith efforts requirements.

A pre-bid conference will be held on **February 24, 2015; 1:30 p.m.**, at 1680 Mission Street, 3rd Floor.

For information on the City's Surety Bond Program, call Jennifer Elmore at (415) 217-6578.

A corporate surety bond or certified check for ten percent (10%) of the amount bid must accompany each bid. SFAC Sec. 6.22(A) requires all construction greater than \$25,000 to include performance and payment bonds for 100% of the contract award.

Class "A" license required to bid.

In accordance with San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 6, no bid is accepted and no contract in excess of \$400,000 is awarded by the City and County of San Francisco until such time as the Mayor or the Mayor's designee approves the contract for award, and the Director of Public Works then issues an order of award. Pursuant to Charter Section 3.105, all contract awards are subject to certification by the Controller as to the availability of funds.

Minimum wage rates for this project must comply with the current General Prevailing Wage as determined by the State Department of Industrial Relations. Minimum wage rates other than applicable to General Prevailing Wage must comply with SFAC Chapter 12P, Minimum Compensation Ordinance.

This Project is subject to the requirements of the San Francisco Local Hiring Policy for Construction ("Policy") as set forth in Section 6.22(G) of the SFAC. Bidders are hereby advised that the requirements of the Policy will be incorporated as a material term of any contract awarded for the Project. Refer to Section 00 73 30 of the Project Manual for more information.

Bidders are hereby advised that the Contractor to whom the Contract is awarded must be certified by the Human Rights Commission as being in compliance with the Equal Benefits Provisions of Chapter 12B of the City's Administrative Code within two weeks after notification of award.

If a bidder objects on any ground to any bid specification or legal requirement imposed by this Advertisement for Bids, the bidder shall, no later than the 10th working day prior to the date of Bid opening, provide written notice to the Contract Administration Division, Department of Public Works, setting forth with specificity the grounds for the objection.

Right reserved to reject any or all bids and waive any minor irregularities.

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SMALL BUSINESS EXCHANGE



CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Contract No. 2605J
(ID No. FCE15073)

AS-NEEDED CURB RAMP CONSTRUCTION
FOR PAVING PROGRAM NO. 2

Sealed bids will be received at 1155 Market Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco, California 94103 until **2:30 p.m. on March 18, 2015**, after which they will be publicly opened and read. Digital files of Bid Documents, Plan Holders Lists, and Addenda may be downloaded at no cost from the Department of Public Works (DPW) Electronic Bid Documents Download site at www.sfdpw.org/biddocs, or purchased on a CD format from 1155 Market Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco, California 94103, telephone 415-554-6229, for a non-refundable \$15.00 fee paid by cash or check to "Department of Public Works". Please visit the DPW's Contracts, Bid Opportunities and Payments webpage at www.sfdpw.org for more information. Notices regarding Addenda and other bid changes will be distributed by email to Plan Holders.

The Work is on an as-needed basis and located at various throughout San Francisco, California and consists of curb ramp construction, sewer and drainage work, traffic routing and all associated work. The time allowed for completion is 180 consecutive calendar days. The Engineer's estimate is approximately \$1,300,000. For more information, contact the Project Manager, Ramon Kong at 415-554-8280.

On July 1, 2014, the registration program under section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code went into effect. The program requires that all contractors and subcontractors who bid or work on a public works project register and pay an annual fee to the California Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR").

Effective March 1, 2015, no contractor or subcontractor may be listed in a bid for a public works project unless registered with the DIR as required by Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].

Effective April 1, 2015, no contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project unless registered with the DIR pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.

This Project shall incorporate the required partnering elements for **Partnering Level 1**. Refer to Section 01 31 33 for more details.

Pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code (SFAC) Section 6.25, "Clean Construction" is required for the performance of all work.

The Specifications include liquidated damages. Contract will be on a Lump Sum Bid Items With Unit Prices basis. Progressive payments will be made.

The Contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

A bid may be rejected if the City determines that any of the bid item prices are materially unbalanced to the potential detriment of the City.

Bid discounts may be applied as per SFAC Chapter 14B. Subcontracting goal is **25% LBE**. Call Selormey Dzikunu at 415-558-4059 for details. In accordance with SFAC Chapter 14B requirements, all bidders, except those who meet the exception noted below, shall submit documented good faith efforts with their bids and must achieve 80 out of 100 points to be deemed responsive. Bidders will receive 15 points for attending the pre-bid conference. Refer to CMD Form 2B for more details. Exception: Bidders who demonstrate that their total LBE participation exceeds the above subcontracting goal by 35% will not be required to meet the good faith efforts requirements.

A pre-bid conference will be held on **March 2, 2015; 1:00 p.m.** at 1680 Mission Street, 3rd Floor.

For information on the City's Surety Bond Program, call Jennifer Elmore at (415) 217-6578.

A corporate surety bond or certified check for ten percent (10%) of the amount bid must accompany each bid. SFAC Sec. 6.22(A) requires all construction greater than \$25,000 to include performance and payment bonds for 100% of the contract award.

Class "A" license required to bid.

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Minimum wage rates for this project must comply with the current General Prevailing Wage as determined by the State Department of Industrial Relations. Minimum wage rates other than applicable to General Prevailing Wage must comply with SFAC Chapter 12P, Minimum Compensation Ordinance.

This Project is subject to the requirements of the San Francisco Local Hiring Policy for Construction ("Policy") as set forth in Section 6.22(G) of the SFAC. Bidders are hereby advised that the requirements of the Policy will be incorporated as a material term of any contract awarded for the Project. Refer to Section 00 73 30 of the Project Manual for more information.

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Right reserved to reject any or all bids and waive any minor irregularities.

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SMALL BUSINESS EXCHANGE

Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 and Candlestick Point Marketing, Sales, & Other Related Consulting Services

Lennar Urban is soliciting Statements of Interest and Qualifications from qualified individuals and firms to provide services for creative marketing design, graphic work, branding, public relations, event management, and facility services at our sites: Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 and Candlestick Point. Lennar Urban aims to engage locally based, small businesses to join in the endeavor to create a thriving community within the Hunters Point Shipyard and Candlestick neighborhood. Small businesses are encouraged to submit qualifications. For more information, please visit: <http://mission.sfgov.org/OCABidPublication/BidDetail.aspx?K=9144>

Pre-Submission Conference:
March 12th at 3:30pm at Korat Auditorium,
100 Larkin Street, San Francisco
Proposals: Due by April 5th at 5:00pm to
Jackie Spear at Lennar Urban, Jackie.Spear@Lennar.com

WGA & Congressman Cardenas

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Moreover, 78 per cent of African American residents and 73 per cent of Asian residents living in Comcast's proposed LA County footprint will have no other choice for broadband service that offers speeds of 25 Mbps or faster.

Local sports fans can expect higher prices or less access to home team games if the merger is approved. Already, 70 per cent of Angelenos do not have access to the local Dodgers channel because of Time Warner Cable's anticompetitive pricing policies. The problem will only get worse if Comcast takes over Time Warner Cable and Charter sys-

tems locally because the bigger the cable provider gets, the more it charges competitors for access.

The Creative Community will see Comcast increase its ability to pay less for programming and strangle the growth of online video, threatening the new "golden age of programming" we are currently living in.

Visit the link below for the full article:
www.sbeinc.com/resources/cms.cfm?fuseaction=news.detail&articleID=1084&pageID=25

Source: The Greenlining Institute.

Fictitious Business Name

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. A-0362889-00	FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. A-0362687-00	FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. A-0362938-00	FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. A-0362231-00	FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. A-0362368-00	FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. A-0362733-00
<p>Fictitious Business Name(s): David Baker Architects Address 461 2nd Street C127 San Francisco, CA 94107 Full Name of Registrant #1 David Baker An Architectural Corporation (CA) Address of Registrant #1 461 2nd Street C127 San Francisco, CA 94107</p> <p>This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/1/2013</p> <p>Signed: David Baker</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Francisco County on 2/4/2015</p> <p>Notice: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to this date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the right of another under Federal, State or Common Law</p> <p>Filed: Jennifer Wong Deputy County Clerk 2/4/2015</p> <p>2/12/15 + 2/19/15 + 2/26/15 + 3/5/15</p>	<p>Fictitious Business Name(s): Espresso Bar Address 2299 Market Street, Unite A San Francisco, CA 94114 Full Name of Registrant #1 Espresso Bar LLC (CA) Address of Registrant #1 246 Ritch Street, #503 San Francisco, CA 94107</p> <p>This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Corporation. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/27/2015</p> <p>Signed: Theresa Beaumont</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Francisco County on 1/27/2015</p> <p>Notice: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to this date. 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<p>Fictitious Business Name(s): S & J Catering Address 1 Wood Street #6, San Francisco, CA 94118 Full Name of Registrant #1 Simone Swift-Langbehn Address of Registrant #1 1 Wood Street #6, San Francisco, CA 94118</p> <p>This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/26/2015</p> <p>Signed: Simone Swift-Langbehn</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Francisco County on 1/29/2015</p> <p>Notice: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to this date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the right of another under Federal, State or Common Law</p> <p>Filed: Sally Chung Deputy County Clerk 1/29/2015</p> <p>2/5/15 + 2/12/15 + 2/19/15 + 2/26/15</p>	<p>Fictitious Business Name(s): Vivian J Richardson Group Address 1479 Quesada Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94124 Full Name of Registrant #1 Vivian J Richardson Address of Registrant #1 1479 Quesada Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94124</p> <p>This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/5/2015</p> <p>Signed: Vivian J Richardson</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Francisco County on 2/3/2015</p> <p>Notice: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to this date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the right of another under Federal, State or Common Law</p> <p>Filed: Susanna Chin Deputy County Clerk 2/3/2015</p> <p>2/12/15 + 2/19/15 + 2/26/15 + 3/5/15</p>	<p>Fictitious Business Name(s): Alex Lexson Photography Address 274 Lexington Street, Unit A San Francisco, CA 94110 Full Name of Registrant #1 Alejandra Lexson Address of Registrant #1 274 Lexington Street, Unit A San Francisco, CA 94110</p> <p>This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 12/1/2014</p> <p>Signed: Alejandra Lexson</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Francisco County on 12/31/2014</p> <p>Notice: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to this date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the right of another under Federal, State or Common Law</p> <p>Filed: Morgan Jaldon Deputy County Clerk 12/31/2014</p> <p>1/8/2015 + 1/15/2015 + 1/22/2015 + 1/29/2015</p>	<div style="text-align: center; background-color: #4a7c9c; color: white; padding: 10px;"> <h2>ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS</h2> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. A-0359793-00</p> <p>The registrant(s) listed below have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s):</p> <p>1.) Gamelink LLC Located at 537 Stevenson Street, San Francisco, CA 94103</p> <p>This fictitious business name was filed in the County of San Francisco on 8/5/2014 under file #A-0359793-00.</p> <p>Name and address of Registrants (as shown on previous statement)</p> <p>Full Name of Registrant #1 Ilan Bunimovitz 537 Stevenson Street, San Francisco, CA 94103</p> <p>This business was conducted by a A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Signed: Ilan Bunimovitz</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Francisco County on 2/6/2015</p> <p>Filed: Maribel Jaldon Deputy County Clerk 2/6/2015</p> <p style="text-align: right;">2/12/15 + 2/19/15 + 2/26/15 + 3/5/15</p>		

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Wells Fargo Celebrates Year of the Ram with \$50K in College Scholarships

Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund receives \$50,000 grant to help college-bound students; Wells Fargo offers limited-edition ram coin banks and customized debit card designs

Wells Fargo & Company (NYSE: WFC) is ringing in the Lunar New Year with a \$50,000 grant to the Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) to support scholarships for Asian-American students who aspire to achieve their higher education goals. The company will participate in celebrations at New Year festivals throughout the country, including downtown San Francisco, Los Angeles, Houston, Seattle and New York's Chinatown.

To commemorate the New Year, Wells Fargo is offering a limited edition Ram Coin Bank when customers open a new eligible consumer checking account at participating store locations from February 2 to March 6, 2015. New and current customers can personalize their debit cards with specially designed Lunar New Year art for the Year of the Ram. For more details, visit [wellsfargo.com/yearofram].

The Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship fund is the nation's largest nonprofit provider of college scholarships for Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) students. "Wells Fargo has been a huge supporter of APIASF and has invested more than \$5 million over the last eight years to support AAPI students. We are honored to have Wells Fargo's support to help increase opportunities for underserved students and build the skills needed to succeed after graduation," said

Neil Horikoshi, president and executive director of APIASF.

The donation is in addition to a multi-year \$3.15 million commitment from Wells Fargo to APIASF in 2014. As a founding sponsor of APIASF, the company has invested in APIASF's development programs, college tours and scholarship programs for college-bound students from underrepresented Asian and Pacific Islander communities. Since 2006, Wells Fargo has contributed more than \$5.4 million to APIASF, and the collaboration has helped more than 800 scholars throughout the country and in U.S. territories in the Pacific.

"Wells Fargo is excited to celebrate the Lunar New Year with the Asian-American community," said Arati Randolph, Wells Fargo senior vice president, corporate communications and APIASF board member. "We believe education and our collaboration with APIASF are among the many ways in which Wells Fargo invests in the growth of our communities. Wells Fargo is committed to working together alongside our communities because we value and understand that higher education is a pathway to a brighter future for many Asian-American families."

Wells Fargo is committed to the Asian-American community and works closely with nonprofit organizations to provide quality assistance to those

working to achieve their educational goals. In 2013, Wells Fargo invested a record \$275.5 million in 18,500 nonprofits, educational programs and schools, including \$10.5 million to organizations specifically serving the Asian community, including APIASF.

"The APIASF/Wells Fargo Scholarship has eased the financial burden of funding my education. This scholarship brings me one step closer to realizing my dreams, and for this opportunity, I am eternally grateful," said Jason Truong, 2014 APIASF/Wells Fargo Scholar. "It is truly life-changing to have received such an honor, and I hope to pay it forward in some way in the future."

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Based in Washington, D.C., the Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) is the nation's largest nonprofit provider of college scholarships for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI). APIASF works to create opportunities for students to access, complete, and succeed after post-secondary education; thereby developing future leaders who will excel in their career, serve as role models in their communities, and will ultimately contribute to a vibrant America. Since 2003, APIASF has distributed more than \$80 million in scholarships to AAPI students across the country and in the Pacific Islands. APIASF manages three scholarship programs: APIASF's general scholarship, the APIASF Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander - Serving Institution scholarship program, and the Gates Millennium Scholars/Asian Pacific Islander Americans funded by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Source: Wells Fargo

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST AD

RGW Construction Inc. is seeking all qualified DVBE (Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises) for the following project:

Construction on State Highway in Placer County Near Colfax at Illinoistown Overcrossing

Contract No. 03-4F7004

Engineers Estimate: \$880,000.00

Schedule: 45 Working Days

Goal: DVBE 5%

Bids: March 11, 2015 @ 2:00 PM

Requesting Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to): Fabric and Oils, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control, Cold Plane, Demolition/Bridge Removal, Clear & Grub, Hydroseeding, Erosion Control, Asphalt Paving (misc), AC Dike, Structural Concrete, Reinforcing Steel (minor), Signs Roadside, Rock Slope Protection, Minor Concrete (vegetation control), Metal Beam Guard Railing, Metal Railing, Thermoplastic Stripe & Marking, Message Signs, Lighting & Sign Illumination, Detector, SWPPP, Trucker, Storm Drain (Underground), Sawcut, Polyester Overlay.

Scope of Work: Increase on and off-ramp radius and lane width of Illinoistown OC.

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

Plans and Specs are available to view and copy at our office or Caltrans website www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/. Contact John Pitsch 925-606-2400 johnp@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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SBA Announces New Online Tool

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After filling out the form, a borrower's answers will be sent to every lender in that borrower's county, as well as to other lenders with a regional or national reach. Once lenders have reviewed the information that matters most to them, they'll respond within 48 hours, all this for no fees or commitment. This option will untether entrepreneurs from the one neighborhood bank, using technology to get their foot in the door at any number of institutions and improve their access to capital.

LINC will roll out in waves. It will begin by connecting small business owners with nonprofit lenders that offer free financial advice and specialize in [6]micro lending, loans in our [7]Community Advantage program, and [8]real estate financing. In the longer-term, SBA will look to add more traditional banks that offer an even wider array of financial products.

As of today's launch, 124 lenders across SBA's lending programs are participating in LINC, operating in all 50 states, DC, and Puerto Rico. Since 2009, these borrowers have made more than

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Source: U.S. SBA

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SUB-BID REQUEST AD

Taber Construction Inc. is requesting proposals from qualified DVEB, DBE, MBE, WBE, SBE, SLBE and all other subcontractors and suppliers for the above referenced project.

Visitacion Valley Elementary School
Location: San Francisco CA
Bid Date: March 3, 2015 @ 2:00 PM
(Sub bids due by 1:00 PM via fax)

In general the work includes general school modernization and reconstruction including but not limited to ADA access, fire/life safety upgrades, painting, interim housing, site work, hazardous materials removal, demolition, and interior renovation work.

The project is to be completed within 505 calendar days; liquidated damages are \$3,000 per day. Contact our office for assistance with bonding, lines of credit or insurance. Taber is willing to break out larger scopes of work into smaller contracts. Taber will assist subcontractors with material and equipment procurement. Contact Bret @ 925-682-6133 with questions.

All questions shall be submitted in writing, by fax or email. Hard copy sets of plans and specs can be viewed in our office during normal working hours. It is imperative that all prospective bidders carefully review and account for all safety, quality, and testing provisions; no additional compensation will be made for failure to include the aforementioned requirements in your proposal. All subcontractors will be required to execute a standard Taber Construction Inc subcontract agreement without modifications. A copy of the standard agreement will be furnished upon written request. Taber Construction Inc is an equal opportunity employer. Taber Construction Inc. is signatory to the Carpenters and Laborer's Collective Bargaining Agreements. Subcontractor performance and payment bonds will be required from all subcontractors.

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Longfellow Elementary School
Location: San Francisco CA
Bid Date: March 10, 2015 @ 2:00 PM
(Sub bids due by 1:00 PM via fax)

In general the work includes general school modernization and reconstruction including but not limited to ADA access, fire/life safety upgrades, painting, interim housing, site work, hazardous materials removal, demolition, and interior renovation work.

The project is to be completed within 511 calendar days; liquidated damages are \$2,500 per day.

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BID DATE: March 5, 2015 @ 2:00 PM

We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to): Trucking, Lead Compliance Plan, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Type III Barricade, Portable Changeable Message Sign, SWPPP, Rain Event Action Plan, Storm Water Sampling & Analysis, Water Quality Sampling & Analysis, Temporary Fence, Health & Safety Plan, ADL Burial Location Report, Treated Wood Waste, Abandon Culvert, Destroy Well, Adjust Utilities, Cold Plane AC, Cap Inlet, Culvert Slurry-Cement Backfill, Bridge Removal, Clearing & Grubbing, Develop Water Supply, Dust Palliative, Roadway Excavation (Type Y-1 Aerially Deposited Lead), Settlement and Monitoring, Shoulder Backing, Structure Excavation, Structure Backfill, Pervious Backfill Material, Rammed Aggregate Columns, Imported Biofiltration Soil, Underground, Erosion Control, Hydromulch, Hydroseed, Compost, Lean Concrete Base, Crack Treatment, Prime Coat, AC Dike, Data Core, Tack Coat, Steel Casing, CIDH Concrete Piling, Prestressing CIP Concrete, Structural Concrete, Minor Concrete, Steel Sheet Piling, Architectural Treatment, Joint Seal Assembly, Bar Reinforcing Steel, Sign Structure, Roadside Signs, Bat Habitat, Prepare & Paint Concrete, Temp. Access Pad, Rock Slope Protection, Detectable Warning Surface, Misc. Iron & Steel, Rigid Rail Fall Protection System, Isolation Casing, Bridge Deck Drainage System, Fencing, Delineator, Object Marker, Midwest Guardrail System, Double Thrie Beam Barrier, Cable Railing, End Anchor Assembly, Type SCI 100GM Crash Cushion, Concrete Barrier, Striping & Marking, Traffic Operations System and Construction Materials

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