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Launching the Small Business Health Option Program Marketplace

HHS ramps up outreach and education efforts to small employers



The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is ramping up its education and outreach efforts for America's small businesses on the Affordable Care Act. In coordination with U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), the Small Business Majority, Main Street Alliance, Business Forward, and the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the campaign will help small employers learn more about how to take advantage of the Small Business Health Option Program (SHOP), part of the Health Insurance Marketplace that opens October 1.

SHOP is designed for small employers with 50 or fewer full-time employees. On their own or with the help of an agent, broker, or other assister, small employers will be able to compare price, coverage, and quality of plans in a way that is easy to understand.

"In recent years, the number one concern for many small businesses has been the increasing cost of health insurance premiums," said HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius. "Many who would like to offer insurance to their employees have faced few choices, high administrative costs, and skyrocketing premiums when an employee gets sick."

"Since the passage of the health care law, Small Business Majority has been committed to working with policymakers, local chambers of commerce, business organizations and oth-

ers to educate small business owners about the Affordable Care Act," said Founder & CEO of Small Business Majority John Arensmeyer.

"With open enrollment and full implementation right around the corner, we've upped our efforts to get entrepreneurs the information they need to best take advantage of the law's small business provisions. Small business owners have been waiting for decades for something to rein in premium costs. This is our chance to help get them some relief."

Employers buying health insurance through the SHOP Marketplace may also qualify for a Small Business Health Care Tax Credit to help defray their premium costs. Hundreds of thousands of small businesses with fewer than 25 full-time-equivalent employees have already received a tax credit of up to 35 percent of their contribution to employees' health insurance premiums. Beginning in 2014, this tax credit will be worth as much as 50 percent of the employer's contribution to premiums and will be available only to those purchasing coverage through the SHOP.

The SHOP offers small employers quality brand name health insurance plans and lets them make side-by-side comparisons when choosing a coverage option that is right for their business. In addition, starting in 2014,

small employers have additional protections in the insurance market, including that no one can be denied coverage because of a pre-existing condition.

Unlike individuals purchasing through the Marketplace, small employers can enroll in insurance plans through the SHOP on a monthly basis throughout the year. As such, some states are phasing in SHOP application and enrollment periods. The SHOP Marketplace for Federally-facilitated Marketplace states opens Oct. 1, 2013, when small employers can start the application process and get an overview of available plans and premiums in their area. All functions for SHOP will be available in November and if employers and employees enroll by Dec. 15, 2013, coverage will begin Jan. 1, 2014. Detailed information on the SHOP application and enrollment process are available at HealthCare.gov.

As part of the expanded education and outreach campaign, HHS will work with SBA to make additional resources available for small employers. Beginning Oct. 1, 2013 the dedicated SHOP small employer call center at 1-800-706-7893 will offer extended hours Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.

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REQUESTS FOR BIDS & SUB-BIDS

RGW Construction Inc. is seeking all qualified Disabled Veterans Business Enterprises (DVBE's) and Local Business Enterprises (LBE's) for the following project:

*****Bid Date Change*****

**Pinole Valley High School Detention Basin, Utilities and Paving
West Contra Costa Unified School District
Bid #3621377-01**

DVBE Goal: 3% LBE Goal: 24%

Bids Date: October 3rd, 2013 at 2:00pm

Requesting Supplier and Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to): CIDH Piles, Reinforcing Steel, Fencing, Electrical and Trucking

Scope of Work: Installation of an underground storm water detention basin system. Work also included underground work associated with future interim campus including, but not limited to, the installation of underground domestic water, fire water, storm water, sewage piping, electrical power, telecommunication, gas utilities and asphalt paving.

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

Plans and Specs are available to view and copy at our office or from BPXpress, 4903 Central Ave., Richmond, CA (510) 559-8299. Contact **Terry McIntyre 925-606-2400** for any questions, including bonding, lines of credit, insurance, equipment or material suppliers. Subcontractors should be prepared to submit payment and performance bonds equal to 100% of their quotation.

RGW Construction, Inc.

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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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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

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Contact: **Monica Jimenez (626) 304-1190**
199 S. Los Robles, Suite 300 • Pasadena, CA. 91101

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

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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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REQUESTS FOR BIDS & SUB-BIDS

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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%**

Bid Date: October 16, 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



Current and On-going procurement opportunities for the Expo II Project are Available through the project procurement website:

<https://partners.myskanska.com/usa/clients/buildexpo/Expo2/Outreach/Lists/Bidding%20Opportunities/Bids%20Due.aspx>

Bid Packages Currently available are:
 Signage & graphics,
 Flatwork – City of LA, AC Paving,
 Floor & Wall tile,
 Bike Racks/Lockers,
 Permanent Striping & signs

Bid packages will be posted to the site on a continual basis. Plans, Specs and additional information are also available on the site.

If you need assistance, please contact **Christine Burton at 310-500-1466.** SBE and DBE certified firms are encouraged to participate.

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DL Falk Construction is requesting subcontractor / supplier bids from certified DVBE Companies for the above project:

**New Academic Campus, Project No. 11556
 300 Seneca Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94112
 Bid Date: October 01, 2013 at 2:00 PM**

Scope includes hazmat abatement, selective demo, underground utilities, concrete patching, structural steel, metal fabrication, rough carpentry, case-works, 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



Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Design-Build

Contract DB1102F

Silicon Valley Berryessa Extension Project C700

Procurement opportunities through Skanska-Shimmick-Herzog will be diverse and ongoing. Please visit: www.sshjv-c700.com

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

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

RFP No – 90146

Consulting and Quality Assurance Oversight Services for Financial and Human Resources Management Systems Replacement Los Angeles Department of Water & Power

Bid Deadline: October 3, 2013 by 2:00pm

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.

Schafer Consulting

34179 Golden Lantern #105, Dana Point, CA 92629 • Phone: 949-388-4577 • Fax: : 949-284-4008
 Contact Person: Nancy Schafer • Email address: nschafer@schaferconsult.com

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Subject to conditions prescribed by the University of California, San Francisco Medical Center, sealed bids for a Job Order Contract are invited for the following Work:

Firestop Work, Duct Cleaning, Sealing And Minor Repairs Contract No.: JC0007

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO MEDICAL CENTER

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

The University is seeking to hire a Contractor for renovation work that will be delivered by Job Order Contracting (JOC). As described in more detail in the bidding documents, work under the JOC will be limited to the following:

Fire Stop Work: Inspect areas of multiple UCSF Medical Center buildings. Repair minor non-conforming penetrations and joints discovered during the inspection using UL classified materials and fire stop systems.

Duct Cleaning: Remove visible surface contaminants and deposits from within the Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system.

Duct Sealing: Perform a complete Thermal Imaging Survey to identify all leakage points. Prepare and seal all identified leaks internally including points of connections, transitions and fire damper assemblies. Repair air handler access doors, seals, and pipe penetrations.

Infection Control: Provide Infection Control for 3rd Parties working at the UCSF Medical Center as requested.

Documentation & Reporting: Provide written reports and photo documentation of work scope as requested.

Work performed under this Job Order Contract will be stand alone; any similar work that is performed as part of another project will be integral to that project and not considered within the scope of this contract.

The Job Order Contract awarded under this solicitation will have a Maximum Job Order Contract amount of \$500,000.00 for the initial one (1) year term with two (2) one (1) year options for, \$500,000.00 each. Individual Job Order authorizations will range from \$2,500 to \$500,000.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS: To be eligible for consideration of award, bidders must have the minimum experience and certify their firm has not been

cited by the Medical Center for health, safety, infection control or interim life safety violations, set forth in the Supplementary Instructions To Bidders.

Bidders must submit qualification documents as an attachment to the Bid Form.

PROCEDURES:

Bidding Documents will be available to Bidders at 10:00 am Tuesday September 24, 2013 and will be issued only from:

UCSF Documents Media & Mail (UCSF-DMM)
1855 Folsom Street, Room 135
San Francisco CA 94103
Contact Persons: Ben La (415) 476-5030 (9AM – 5PM)
Lisa Gee (415) 502-4523
Fax No. (415) 476-8278

Bidding Documents can be viewed and may be ordered on line at the following website address: <http://www.ucsfplans.com/>
Click "UCSF Medical Center" link

Bidders must attend a mandatory pre-bid conference on **Tuesday October 1, 2013 at 10:00 AM**. For details, see above website address.

Bids will be received only at Office of Design and Construction, University of California, San Francisco, Medical Center, 3333 California Street, Suite 115, San Francisco, CA 94118. Phone: (415) 885-7257. Bid Deadline: Sealed bids must be received on or before 2:00 PM, on **Tuesday October 15, 2013**. And Bids will be opened after 2:05 P.M.

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

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

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

LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: General Building Contractor or Non Specialized Contractor (Duct Cleaning)

LICENSE CODE: B or D64

THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
University of California, San Francisco Medical Center
August 2013

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

State of California - Natural Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The Department of Parks and Recreation, Monterey District, is seeking bids for **CONTRACT C1364005 – HVAC System Upgrades - Monterey District Office (Boiler Project)**

Optional JOB SHOWING: Monday, October 7, 2013 TIME: 9:30 a.m.

Job Showing Location: 2211 Garden Road, Monterey, CA 93950

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR: Delane Hurley - delane.hurley@parks.ca.gov

PROJECT MANAGER: Mike Zuccaro - mike.zuccaro@parks.ca.gov

REQUIRED LICENCE(S): C4 - Boiler, Hot Water Heating and Steam Fitting Contractor

Budget/Engineer's Range Estimate:
\$200,000. - \$260,000.

Contractor Questions Due on Bid Sync by October 8, 2013 before 3:30 p.m.

State Answers will be posted to BidSync by 8:30 a.m. October 9, 2013

Public Bid Opening - October 9, 2013 2:30 p.m.

Project Completion: Within 60 days of Notice to Proceed

It is the expectation of the Department of Parks and Recreation that on premises, construct and deliver all materials and labor, tools, supplies, equipment, needed transportation, and all other items of expense necessary to complete the following:

Replace the existing original boiler and associated equipment and provide an energy management system (EMS). Additionally, a range hood and exhaust flue through roof to be installed in the District Office break room. Work will include but not be limited to: full air and water balancing of heating and ventilating system; clean and make various repairs to all existing supply volume dampers and covers at floor outlets; replace existing thermostats with new zone sensors; all affected finish surfaces to be patched and finished to match existing. Contractor responsible for any needed asbestos removal from boiler equipment or pipes being removed. Asbestos removal must meet State and Federal laws and regulations. See packet for full specifications and drawings on BidSync under contract number C1364005.

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to 7 p.m. EST. Employers may call the SHOP Small Employer call center for assistance when completing an application beginning October 1. This call center will also refer employers in states running their own SHOP Marketplace to the correct contact information for their state.

SBA and HHS will also offer a new schedule of educational webinars tailored to educate small business owners across the country about what the SHOP offers, and how it works. HHS has trained more than 40,000 agents and brokers, who will continue their traditional role of helping small businesses enroll in coverage, both inside

and outside the SHOP Marketplace.

HHS will also expand upon the collection of promotional and educational resources available on Marketplace.cms.gov. Resources are also available at Business.usa.gov/healthcare.

Source: <http://www.hhs.gov/>