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Online Payment Services - Are They a Good Fit for Your Small Business?

by **Caron Beesley**

Credit cards are a common online payment option for small businesses, but what about other services like PayPal, Bill Me Later and Google Wallet?

These now ubiquitous tools make it easier than ever for anyone - not just e-tailers - to buy and sell goods online and via mobile devices. However, as with all business tools, they have their pros and cons. Here's what you need to know.

What Are Online Payment Services?

Online payment services allow businesses to receive payment from any customer with an existing PayPal, Bill Me Later or Google Wallet account. As a seller, you set up a business or merchant account, follow a few steps to add code to your website - and off you go. Once you're set up, customers' payments can be directly deposited into your account. You can also issue invoices, swipe credit cards on mobile devices (with a special widget) and accept payments on the go.

Here's a quick breakdown of how each service works:

PayPal - Still the world's largest online payment option, PayPal offers numerous multi-channel options for business owners to accept payments. With a PayPal account, businesses can accept payments online without a merchant account, process major credit cards, scan checks via smart phones, and process payments via mobile devices by using a card swiper.

PayPal fees are 2.9 percent plus 30 cents per transaction (2.7 percent for PayPal Here mobile services), and a basic PayPal account is free to set up, with no monthly fee. You can lower the cost per transaction with volume discounts - the more you transact the less you pay. Funds are credited to your PayPal account as soon as payments are processed.

Additional value-add services are available for a fee (such as payment processing without the customer leaving your website).

Bill Me Later - Owned by PayPal, Bill Me Later offers instant credit to consumers for online purchases without using a credit card. Unlike PayPal, consumers aren't required to set up an account in advance. Instead, a company called WebBank makes a real-time credit decision each time at the point of purchase. Here's the crux for small businesses: Bill Me Later

targets larger retailers with annual sales well into the millions. Read more in this article from MultiChannel Merchant: Alternative Payment Methods Gain Acceptance.

Google Wallet - Formerly Google Checkout, Google Wallet (like PayPal) serves both online and mobile payments. Registered Google Wallet users can pay for goods with their phone anywhere MasterCard PayPass is accepted. Customers can also make one-click online purchases on an enabled merchant website using credit card information stored in a secure cloud platform. Google hasn't yet embarked on a targeted campaign for a share of the small business market and most merchants tend to be larger retailers and known brands.

Rates vary depending on your sales volume but can be as low as 1.9 percent plus 30 cents per transaction. Google is competitive too - there are no monthly, set-up or gateway fees. Google's website doesn't publicly state the cost of the in-store Mastercard PayPass reader, so it's not clear what upfront investment business owners can expect.

Read more about whether Google Wallet is the right fit for small businesses in this article from SmallBizTrends.

The Pros and Cons

You might well ask, "Why would I opt for an online payment service?" One of the biggest reasons is, quite simply, your customers are using these services. There are more than 100 million active PayPal accounts in the U.S. and the proliferation of secure online technology and mobile apps means wallet-less transactions are here to stay.

Other pros to these services are ease of use and low cost. Opening an online payment services account is often faster, easier and less expensive than setting up a merchant account for credit and debit card transactions.

Cons?

For customers, one of the biggest drawbacks of online payment processing sites like PayPal and Bill Me Later is that they often have to leave your website to complete a transaction (although you can pay an additional fee to avoid this). Many customers might be familiar with this experience, while others may find it confusing and abandon the purchase.

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Rt. 99 Ashlan Ave.

Contract # 06-442624

Fresno and Madera Counties

Bids: September 7, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

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San Diego County Decks/Slabs

Contract #11-238604

California Department of Transportation

Bids: September 6, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.

This is a highway project with the typical items of work associated, but not limited to: Aggregate, CIDH Pile, Clear and Grubbing, Concrete Barrier, Concrete Crack Sealing, Construction Area Signs, Consult - Enviro Compliance, Core and Saw, Demo Bridge, Demo Minor, Earthwork and Base, Imported Borrow, Electrical H'Way, Fence & MBGR, Minor Flat Concrete, Joint Seals, K-Rail, Landscape, Erosion Control, Metal Bridge Rail, Minor Concrete Structure, Pavement Grinding, Paving PCC, Plane A C, Paving ASPH Concrete, A C Dike and Misc, Pile Drive, Pipe - Coor Steel, Precast Concrete Pipe, Prestress Concrete, Ready Mix Concrete, Rebar, Rock Slope Protect, Sign Structures, Signs Roadside, Stripe and Mark, Structure Excavate Bridge, Structure Excavate Site, Traffic Control, Trucking.

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Rt. 101 - Petaluma River Bridge

Contract # 04-2640U4

Sonoma County

Bids: September 5, 2012 at 2:00pm

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**Rt. 99 – Yosemite Avenue
Contract #10-0E6134
San Joaquin County**

Bids: September 12, 2012 at 2:00pm

This is a highway project with the typical items of work associated, but not limited to: Aggregate, Rip Rap Material, Bridge Deck Overlay, CIDH Pile, Clear and Grubbing, Concrete Barrier, Concrete Crack Sealing, Construction Area Signs, Consult - Enviro Compliance, Core and Saw, Demo Bridge, Demo Minor, Earthwork and Base, Imported Borrow, Electrical H'Way, Fence & MBGR, Minor Flat Concrete, Joint Seals, K-Rail, Landscape, Erosion Control, Metal Bridge Rail, Minor Concrete Structure, Pavement Grinding, Paving PCC, Plane A C, Paving ASPH Concrete, A C Dike and Misc, Pile Drive, Pipe - Coor Steel, Precast Concrete Pipe, Prestress Concrete, Ready Mix Concrete, Rebar, Rock Slope Protect, Sign Structures, Signs Roadside, Stripe and Mark, Structure Excavate Bridge, Structure Excavate Site, Traffic Control, Trucking.

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**Rt. 99 – Adelbert Ave.
Contract #10-3A1004
San Joaquin County**

Bids: September 18, 2012 at 2:00pm

This is a highway project with the typical items of work associated, but not limited to: Aggregate, Rip Rap Material, Bridge Deck Overlay, CIDH Pile, Clear and Grubbing, Concrete Barrier, Concrete Crack Sealing, Construction Area Signs, Consult - Enviro Compliance, Core and Saw, Demo Bridge, Demo Minor, Earthwork and Base, Imported Borrow, Electrical H'Way, Fence & MBGR, Minor Flat Concrete, Joint Seals, K-Rail, Landscape, Erosion Control, Metal Bridge Rail, Minor Concrete Structure, Pavement Grinding, Paving PCC, Plane A C, Paving ASPH Concrete, A C Dike and Misc, Pile Drive, Pipe - Coor Steel, Precast Concrete Pipe, Prestress Concrete, Ready Mix Concrete, Rebar, Rock Slope Protect, Sign Structures, Signs Roadside, Stripe and Mark, Structure Excavate Bridge, Structure Excavate Site, Traffic Control, Trucking.

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GRANITE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY is seeking WBE, MBE, and DVBE Qualified Sub-Contractors on the following Project

**Project Owner: California American Water Company
Estimate # 2518**

**Project: Carmel River Reroute and San Clemente Dam
Removal Design-Build Project**

**Lead Estimator: Alber Youssef Phone 831-728-7516
Bid Date: 9/21/12 @ 3:00P.M.**

**Please Fax Quotes to 408-327-7090 by 9/5/12
Additional Forms Will be Required from
All Bidding Sub Contractors**

Scope of Work: Rerouting the Carmel River into San Clemente Creek at a location upstream of the San Clemente Dam. The new combined flow reach will be restored with a focus on steel-head passage. The accumulated sediment in San Clemente Creek arm and Reservoir will be excavated and relocated to the abandoned Carmel River arm. The accumulated sediment in Carmel River arm will be stabilized in place to form the sediment stockpile. A diversion dike will be constructed to divert the Carmel River flow into the San Clemente Creek drainage through the reroute channel. A stabilized sediment slope will be constructed at the downstream end of the abandoned Carmel River arm. Work also includes the removal of San Clemente Dam, removal of Old Carmel River Dam "deductive work" and post construction monitoring by DB of 5 years.

Granite Construction Company (Granite) is requesting quotes from all qualified subcontractors and suppliers including certified WBE, MBE, and DVBE firms for the following items of work, including but not limited to, Field Investigation, Survey, Temporary Facilities, Diversion System "materials", Dewatering, Site Preparation, Reroute Channel, Diversion Dike, Erosion Control and SWPPP, Miscellaneous Site Restorations, Residential Demolition & Hazardous Material Removal, Roadway Improvements, Irrigation, Environmental Mitigation. Trucking and Hauling.

**GRANITE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
Estimating Assistant:**

Barbara Jacob 408-327-7013

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For submission of bids and information on the availability of plans and specifications and Intercare's policy concerning assistance to subcontractors in obtaining bonds, lines of credit, and/or insurance, please contact

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SBE/LSBE/DBE Bidding Opportunities
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- Traction Power Substation Ductbank
- Traction Power Substation Site Grounding
- Traction Power Substation Utility switchgear
- Furnish Communication Cable
- General Electrical Supply

Time Frame: Work is expected to begin in November 2012 and go through February 2014

Notice of Interest Response Deadline:
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Contact Information:
 Kyle Speck (972-505-4700)

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REQUESTS QUOTATIONS FROM
 CERTIFIED UDBE SUBCONTRACTORS,
 SUPPLIERS & TRUCKERS FOR
 THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

COTATI TRAIN DEPOT - CONTRACT #E12-01
FEDERAL PROJECT #CML 5383(009)
COTATI, SONOMA COUNTY, CA

OWNER: CITY OF COTATI
BID DATE: SEPTEMBER 13, 2012 AT 3:00 PM
ESTIMATE: \$1,600,000 - \$1,700,000
UDBE CONTRACT GOAL: 2.45%

Trades needed but not limited to: earthwork, site utilities, landscaping, irrigation, site furnishings, concrete, rebar, stone wall, masonry, structural steel, chain link fences and gates, rough carpentry, finish carpentry, laminated plastics, casework, insulation, roofing, composite wall panels, sheet metal, sealants and caulking, doors, frames and hardware, aluminum windows, glass & glazing, drywall, flooring, painting & coatings, louvers, signage, tensioned fabric structures, toilet accessories, fire alarm, HVAC, plumbing, fire sprinklers, electrical & communications

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

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General Contractor: Webcor/ Obayashi
TG06.0 Below Grade Structural Concrete
Substructure, Waterproofing, Mechanical,
Electrical and Plumbing Package
Construction Services
Bid Date: September 13, 2012 at 2:00 PM
Fax all quotes to 510-777-5099

Requesting qualified SBE/ DBE/ LBE certified Sub-contractor and Supplier Quotes on: Architectural, Barrier Rail, Concrete-Building, Coring, Crash Cushion, Dewatering, Drill-Bond, Electrical, Environmental, Erosion Control, Fence, Flatwork, Grinding-AC, Concrete, Grouting, Instrumentation, Joint Seal, Mechanical, Membrane-H2O, Paving, Rebar, Shoring, Signs, Steel-Erection, Stripes-Markers, Structural Steel, Survey, Traffic Control, Trucking, Utility Work, Waterproof, Welding, Aggregate, Architectural Items, Bearing Pads, Expansion Joints, Fabric, Falsework Material, Joint Seal, Lumber, Misc. Metal, Pipe-PVC, Pipe-Steel, Precast-Utility, Ready Mix, and Steel-Fabrication.

Bid Plans and Specifications may be purchased via Ford Graphic, 415-495-8700 or may be viewed by appointment only at Shimmick Construction's Office: 8201 Edgewater Drive, Suite 202, Oakland, CA 94621, Phone: 510-777-5050

Subcontractors and Suppliers interested in this project may contact Chris Wike by phone at (510) 777-5007.

100% Performance and Payment bonds with a surety company subject to approval of Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. are required of subcontractors for this project. Shimmick Construction will pay bond premium up to 1.5%. Subcontractors will be required to abide by terms and conditions of the AGC Master Labor Agreements and to execute an agreement utilizing the latest SCCI Long Form Standard Subcontract incorporating prime contract terms and conditions, including payment provisions. Shimmick Construction's listing of a Subcontractor is not to be construed as an acceptance of all of the Subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with the Subcontractor's price quote. Shimmick Construction requires that Subcontractors and Suppliers price quotes be provided at a reasonable time prior to the bid deadline to enable a complete evaluation. For assistance with bonding, insurance or lines of credit contact Scott Fairgrieve at (510) 777-5000.

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 FOR:

Hwy 580 Widening, Livermore
Caltrans # 04-2908C4

BID DATE: September 19, 2012 @ 2:00 PM

We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to): Trucking, Fencing, Temporary Creek Diversion System, Sweeping, Rain Event Action Plan, Storm Water Annual Report, Storm Water Sampling & Analysis, Water Quality Monitoring Report, Water Quality Sampling & Analysis, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Noise Monitoring, Abandon Culvert, Adjust Inlet, Cold Plane AC, Bridge Removal, Clearing & Grubbing, Develop Water Supply, Roadway Excavation (Type Y-1, ADL), Lead Compliance Plan, ADL Burial Location Report, Structure Excavation, Imported Biofiltration Soil, Erosion Control, Lime Stabilized Soil, Asphaltic Emulsion (Curing Seal), Lean Concrete Base, Geosynthetic Pavement Interlayer, Data Core, AC Dike, Tack Coat, Jointed Plain Concrete Pavement, Precast Prestressed Concrete Pavement, Seal Pavement Joint, Seal Isolation Joint, Ground Anchor, Soil Nail, Steel Piling, Structural Concrete, Minor Concrete, Paint Bridge Identification, Fractured Rib Texture, Drill and Bond Dowel, Clean Expansion Joint, Rapid Setting Concrete, Sound Wall (Precast), Joint Seal, Bar Reinforcing Steel, Shotcrete, Sign Structure, Roadside Signs, CIDH Concrete Pile, Underground, Misc. Iron & Steel, Misc. Metal, Delineator, Object Marker, MBGR, Thrie Beam Barrier, Crash Cushion, Concrete Barrier, Striping & Marking, Electrical, Crack Concrete Pavement, Inject Crack Epoxy and Construction Materials.

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is interested in soliciting in Good Faith all subcontractors as well as certified DBE companies for the following project

Construction on Route 395 in San Bernardino County from 7.9 miles North of State Route 18 to 10.4 miles South of State Route 58

**District 8 on Route 395
Contract No.: 08-0C1214**

DBE Goal: 7%

Bid Date: Sept 13, 2012 – 2:00PM

Plans and Specifications are available for view at our main office in Riverside, at the California Department of Transportation website or by calling 916/654-7028.

Quotes requested for supplies and services including, but not limited to:

Biological Monitor, Storm Water Pollution Plan, Street Sweeping, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Fencing, Erosion Control, Temporary Pavement Marking, Temporary Traffic Stripe, Channelizer, Portable Changeable Message Signs, Clearing and Grubbing, Roadway Excavation, Develop Water Supply, Erosion Control, Fiber Rolls, Class 2 Aggregate Base, Roadside Sign, Thermoplastic Pavement Marking, Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe, Traffic Stripe, Pavement Marker, Temporary Soil Binder, Temporary K-Rail, Cold Plane Asphalt, Erosion Control Bonded Fiber Matrix, Transplant Joshua Trees, Ground-in Rumble Strip

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. Plans and Specifications are available for view at our main office in Riverside, at the California Department of Transportation website or by calling 916/654-7028

Subcontracting Requirements: Skanska's insurance requirements are Commercial General Liability (GL): \$1M ea. occ., \$1M personal injury, \$2M products & completed operations agg. & general agg.; \$1M Auto Liability; \$5M Excess/Umbrella and \$1M Workers' Comp. Endorsements or waivers required are 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 Operating Engineers, Laborers, Cement Masons Carpenters unions and Teamsters. Subcontractors must provide weekly, one (1) original and (1) copy of all certified payrolls, including non-performance, and fringe benefit statement 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. In order to assist DBE subcontractors and suppliers, we will divide total requirements into smaller packages, tasks or quantities and establish delivery and construction schedules which will permit maximum participation when feasible.

Skanska Estimating Dept: 1995 Agua Mansa Rd, Riverside, CA 92509
Ph: (951) 684-5360 • Fax: (951) 788-2449 • Email Tom.Mehas@skanska.com

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. IS SEEKING BIDS FROM QUALIFIED MBE & WBE SUBCONTRACTORS & SUPPLIERS:

Jet Propulsion Laboratory West Arroyo Design- Build Parking Structure Pasadena, CA

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. is bidding on the above referenced project as a General Contractor and is requesting proposals from qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers.

**BIDS ARE DUE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2012
BEFORE 3:00 PM.**

**Please submit your scope letters at least two (2) days
before the bid date and time.**

The scope of work includes the construction of a new free-standing multi-level design-build Parking Structure with a minimum of 1000 stalls including the roadway, hardscape, and landscape improvements.

Work Categories Include: Demo of Existing Buildings; Site Clearing, Demo of Existing Parking Lot(s), Earthwork; Shoring; AC Paving; Site Concrete; Pavement Markings; Landscape & Irrigation Systems; Site Utilities; Reinforcing Steel & PT Cables; Masonry; Misc. Metal; Barrier Cables; Waterproofing/Sealants & Caulking; Sheet Metal; Security Grilles; Hollow Metal Doors & Frames; Lath/Plaster/Drywall; Painting; Signs; Fire Extinguishers & Cabinets; Elevator; Fire Protection; Plumbing; HVAC; and Electrical.

Bid Documents: Drawings, specifications, and other project documents are available for free download from McCarthy's ftp site.

- Using Filezilla or Coreftp LE access the documents. Directory for accessing the ftp site: ftp.mccsocal.com Username: jplps Password: mccarthy.
- Drawings are also available for a non-refundable purchase by contacting ARC (714-751-2680) and providing them with the ftp site information above.
- Drawings are also available for viewing in McCarthy's Plan View Room at our home office in Newport Beach.

This is a prevailing wage project, Davis Bacon and Related Act Regulations apply in accordance with JPL General Provisions. General Wage Determinations can be viewed online at <http://www.dol.gov>.

100% Performance and Payment Bonds are required from an admitted surety for contracts over \$25,000. McCarthy will pay actual bond cost, up to 1.5% of the bid amount. Upon request, subcontractors will be required to provide evidence of their ability to provide said bonds within twenty-four (24) hours.

This project is subject to "Buy America Act".

McCarthy is an equal opportunity employer and encourages Small, Local, Emerging, MBE, WBE, DVBE and DBE participation.

Please contact us should you have any questions regarding project specifics.

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Online Payment

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Customer service is also cited on the web as a frequent issue. If transactions are questioned, service providers can contractually lock your account and even withdraw funds from your account – leaving merchants waiting for days for their accounts to be reinstated. Not something any small business owner can afford to risk.

The Bottom Line: Offering online payment options can help increase online sales. However, don't put all your eggs in one basket. Online payment services should be an option for you and your customers, but not the only option. Find the right balance of options – something that differs for every business. Do your research, understand your customer needs and demographics and test the market with low-cost, low-risk entry-level solutions like the Standard offering from PayPal or Google Wallet's online payment processing service

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration

SKANSKA

in association with **AECOM**

**I-805 North Improvement
Design Build Project
Caltrans Contract No:
11-2T2004**

Current and ongoing procurement opportunities for the I-805 North project are available through Skanska's Procurement website

Please visit:
www.usa.skanska.com/I805North

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



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UC IRVINE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

UC Irvine Medical Center invites sealed bids for a lump-sum contract for the **B1, 1st Fl, Pharmacy Carousel, Project No. 994620**, at UCIMC in Orange, CA.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Minor renovation of the Pharmacy area to create space for the installation of the Swisslog – Automated Medication Delivery System (“AMDS”). This project consists of demolition of current office space to convert into general Pharmacy storage, installation of utilities for the Swisslog AMDS, and reconfiguring the medication locker area to improve work flow. Work includes doors and frames, MEP, interior finishes, fire suppression and Level IV Infection Control. Work is scheduled to start October 2012 with 110 calendar day schedule from NTP to substantial completion.

Est. Construction Cost: \$250,000

Bid Docs avail. **2:00 PM, 9/4/12** at American Re-prographics Company (ARC), Costa Mesa, CA (714) 751-2680. Planrooms: F.W. Dodge (626) 932-6120 or Reed (800) 424-3996.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS*: Must have completed a minimum of two projects which were each at least \$200,000 in construction cost: one OSHPD 1 renovation, one OSHPD 1 renovation within an operational space in the past 5 years, and two completed projects built in California w/a minimum construction cost of \$200,000. **Bidders not meeting the qualifications in the Contract Documents will not be eligible for award.**

LICENSE REQUIREMENT: Current and active **“B” General Building Contractor** CA contractor’s license.

BID SUBMITTAL REQS: Sealed Bids due **2:00 PM, 9/28/12**. Rec’d and opened only at: UCI D&CS, 5201 California Ave, Ste. 250, Irvine, CA 92697. Contract will be awarded to lowest responsive bidder.

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONF: 9/13/12 Pre-Bid Conf and Site Visit **promptly at 2:00 PM** at, UCIMC Building 56, Rooms 113 & 114, 101 The City Dr. South, Orange, CA 92868. **ONLY GC’s** attending can submit bids.

ADD’L REQS: 10% bid security and 100% payment & performance bonds. Surety issuing bonds shall be an *admitted surety insurer (as defined in the CA Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120)*. Successful GC and subs must follow nondiscrimination req’s in Bid Docs and pay prevailing wage at the location of the work.

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

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

Contact David Donovan (949) 824-6582, ddonovan@uci.edu

For other opportunities, www.designandconstruction.uci.edu



GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

NOTICE INVITING PROPOSALS

The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) seeks proposals for **Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 2013-MD-3, Janitorial Services for District Facilities**. Interested Proposers must submit sealed proposals to the Office of the Secretary of the District on **Tuesday, October 2, 2012, by 4:00 p.m., PST**.

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held in the Board Room at the Administration Building, Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza, San Francisco, CA on **Tuesday, September 11, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., PST**.

Requests for modifications or clarifications of any requirement must be submitted in writing on **Tuesday, September 18, 2012, by 4:30 p.m., PST**.

The RFP Documents are available for download on the District’s web site. To download the RFP Documents, go to the District’s web site home page at <http://www.goldengate.org>, click on Contract Opportunities, scroll down to Multiple Divisions and look for 2013-MD-3.

To inspect and obtain the RFP Documents, please contact the Office of the Secretary of the District, Administration Building, Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza, San Francisco, CA, by telephone at (415) 923-2223, by e-mail at districtsecretary@goldengate.org, or by facsimile at (415) 923-2013.

/s/ Janet S. Tarantino,
Secretary of the District
Dated: August 30, 2012
8/30/12

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Transitions SF is collaboration between the San Francisco Department of Child Support Services, the San Francisco Mayor’s Office of Economic and Workforce Development and Goodwill Industries. This project received \$5,724,203 (100% of its total cost) from a grant awarded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Healthcare Sector and Other High Growth and Emerging Industries Grant, as implemented by the U.S. Department of Labor’s Employment and Training Administration. This program is an equal opportunity program, and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Don’t miss 2 BLOCKS OF ART

A FREE artwalk showcasing over 100 local artists in 25 locations in the Central Market neighborhood rich with culture and well known for its cutting edge arts community. Friday, September 28, 2012, 4-8 p.m. Market Street (between 5th and 7th streets) and 6th Street (between Market and Howard streets). Presented by Urban Solutions with support from the San Francisco Arts Commission and Grants for the Arts/Hotel Tax Fund.

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September 4, 11, 18, 25

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November 6, 20

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All meetings are held at City Hall in the Chamber (Room 250) or Room 263. Please check the website for further details, including agendas and minutes: <http://www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=193>

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