Bid Packet for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Projects

Quote Requirements – for projects up to \$49,999:

1. Request Requirements:

There is no requirement to advertise for bids. Request of quotes must be documented to show that the community solicited a wide variety and number of providers. At least three quotes of the same scope must be received.

2. The following language must be included in the requests:

This project includes federal funding. General contractors will be required to achieve 10% Minority Business Entrepreneur participation in the contract, or clearly demonstrate and document a good faith effort to achieve MBE participation to be eligible for contract award.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BIDDERS FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Davis Bacon Minimum Wage and Federal Labor Standards

For contracts of \$2,000 or more the contractor and all his subcontractors are obligated to pay their employees the minimum wages and benefits as set forth in the wage decision included in the bid/contract document. In addition, the contractor must abide by the various federal labor standards provisions also included in the bid/contract documents. Weekly payroll reports must be submitted by the contractor and his subs (Form 76HC or its equivalent, i.e. computer prepared payrolls with identical information).

2. Federal Equal Opportunity Guidelines

For contracts of \$10,000 or more the contractor and all his subcontractors are obligated to equal opportunity employment standards. Specifically, employment practices for the prime contractor and his subcontractor are covered by Executive Order 11246, prohibiting discrimination.

3. Minority Business Enterprise Participation

Executive Order 11625 and OMB A-102 Attachment O, Section 9 requires affirmative action be taken to ensure MBE participation in federally funded contracts. A MBE participation goal of 10% has been established for Hamilton County Community Development funded contracts. For contracts of \$25,000 or more, the prime contractor is required to document 10% MBE participation or a good faith effort to obtain such participation.

At the minimum, a good faith effort consists of a general contractor identifying and listing all work, materials and services that will not be directly supplied by his own firm. Qualified minority firms (listings available at www.mbe.ohio.gov) must then be contacted to provide quotes for needed subcontracts, materials, or services. A contractor will be required to document his MBE outreach and demonstrate that qualified MBE firms were not available, or did not provide competitive prices for subcontracts, materials, or services. Failure to achieve 10% MBE participation or clearly document a good faith effort will result in the contractor being ineligible for contract award.