

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for the following will be received by the Sullivan County Purchasing Agent until 2:00 P.M., Eastern Time, **December 13, 2023**, and at that time will be publicly opened at Sullivan County Courthouse, located at 3411 Hwy 126, Suite 201, Blountville, TN. All bids will be considered for award or rejection at a later date.

ITEMS: Locally Grown Beef Products for Sullivan County School Nutrition Program

Documents for the above referenced items are available on the Sullivan County's Vendor Registry website at <https://vrapp.vendorregistry.com/Bids/View/BidsList?BuyerID=37b55d57-2b40-462f-bd8e-5b80ab095ddd>. All questions regarding this bid must be submitted via email to Stephanie Walker, Purchasing Buyer at stephanie.walker@sullivancountyttn.gov, no later than **December 6, 2023**, by the end of business day. All questions will be answered in an addendum which will be issued on December 8, 2023.

Funding for this bid is being provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for Local Foods for Schools Cooperative Grant and Sullivan County Department of Education School Nutrition Funds.

By submission of a signed submittal, the submitter certifies total compliance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and all regulations promulgated thereunder. Qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) are encouraged to submit.

No submitted bids may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time of the receipt of submittals. All bids shall be signed, sealed and addressed to the Sullivan County Purchasing Agent, 3411 Hwy 126, Suite 201, Blountville, Tennessee 37617 and marked "0201213(SW) Locally Grown Beef Product for Sullivan County School Nutrition Program". Sullivan County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received, to waive any informalities in bidding and to re-advertise.

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