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INVITATION TO BID (ITB)

20-035

Shelter Supplies and Equipment (COVID-19)

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| Pre-Solicitation | |
| x Meeting: | None Scheduled for this solicitation |
| Location: | N/A |
| Request for | |
| ✓ Information Deadline: | Wednesday, June 3, 2020 |
| ✓ Submission Deadline: | Tuesday, June 16, 2020, prior to 3:30PM |

Advertisement Date: May 26, 2020

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**HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
*Purchasing Division***

INVITATION TO BID (“ITB”)

The Board of County Commissioners (“Board”), Highlands County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (“County”) will receive sealed Bids in the Highlands County Purchasing Division (“Purchasing Division”) for:

ITB NO. 20-035 Shelter Supplies and Equipment (COVID-19)

Specifications may be obtained by downloading from our website: www.hcbcc.net, or on www.VendorRegistry.com. Questions should be directed at: Lori DeLoach, Purchasing Analyst, 600 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, Florida 33870, Phone: 863-402-6809; or E-Mail: ldeloach@highlandsfl.gov.

A PRE-BID meeting will NOT be held for this solicitation.

Each submittal shall include one (1) original and one (1) exact electronic copy (thumb drive or CD) of the BID submission packet.

BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED to the Purchasing Division, 600 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870 so as to reach that office no later than **3:30 P.M., Tuesday, June 16, 2020**, at which time they will be opened. The public is invited to attend this meeting. Bid envelopes must be sealed and marked with the ITB number and name so as to identify the enclosed bid. Bids received later than the date and time as specified will be rejected. The Board will not be responsible for the late deliveries of responses that are incorrectly addressed, delivered in person, by mail or any other type of delivery service. One or more County Commissioners may be in attendance at the bid opening.

Highlands County’s Local Preference Policy and Women/Minority Business Preference Policy will not apply to the award of this Bid. Please see the Highlands County Board of County Commissioners Purchasing Manual with an effective date of October 1, 2017. The County encourages the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise to include Women/Minority Business Bidder(s.)

The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids or any parts thereof, and the determination of this award, if an award is made, will be based on the ranking of each Bid. The Board reserves the right to waive irregularities in the Bid.

The County does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discrimination policy involves every aspect of the Board's functions, including one's access to, participation, employment or treatment in its programs or activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act or Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, should contact Rebecca Cable, ADA Coordinator at: 863-402-6809 (Voice), or via Florida Relay Service 711, or by e-mail: hrmanager@highlandsfl.gov. Requests for CART or interpreter services should be made at least 24 hours in advance to permit coordination of the service.

Board of County Commissioners, Highlands County, FL

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SECTION I. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A) For purposes of this ITB, the following terms are defined as follows:

1. *Bidder* means the person or entity submitting a Bid in response to this ITB.
2. *Contractor* means the Bidder whose Bid is accepted by the County and who agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of this ITB and the Contract.
3. *Contract* means all of the following: (1) the terms and conditions of this ITB; (2) any terms and conditions of Purchase Orders issued by the County; and (3) the terms and conditions of any additional written agreement pertaining to this ITB that is executed by any Bidder and the County or executed by the Contractor and the County.
4. *Purchase Order* means a formal written request from the County for the purchase of materials or other supplies in connection with this ITB. The form for County Purchase Orders includes binding terms and conditions and is located on the County's website at the following address: <http://bit.ly/POTerms>

B) All Bids shall become the property of the County.

C) All Bidders shall comply with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes pertaining to drug free workplace programs; Section 287.133(2)(a), Florida Statutes, pertaining to public entity crimes; Section 287.134, Florida Statutes, pertaining to discrimination and Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, prohibiting contracting with scrutinized companies.

Section 287.087, Florida Statutes. Preference to businesses with drug free workplace programs:

In order to have a drug free workplace program, a business shall:

1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
4. In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893, Florida Statutes, or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than 5 days after such conviction.
5. Impose a sanction on or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community by, any employee who is so convicted.
6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of this section.

Section 287.133, Florida Statutes. Public entity crime; denial or revocation of the right to transact business with public entities:

(2)(a) A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid, proposal or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals or replies on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided

in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Section 287.134, Florida Statutes. Discrimination; denial or revocation of the right to transact business with public entities:

(2)(a) An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid, proposal or reply on a contract or provide goods and services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal or reply on a contract with a public entity for construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids proposals or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with a public entity.

Section 287.135, Florida Statutes. Prohibition against contracting with scrutinized companies:

(2) A company is ineligible to, and may not, bid on, submit a proposal for, or enter into or renew a contract with an agency or local governmental entity for goods or services of:

(a) Any amount if, at the time of bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing such contract, the company is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to s. 215.4725, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel; or

(b) One million dollars or more if, at the time of bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing such contract, the company:

1. Is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to s. 215.473; or 2. Is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

(5) At the time a company submits a bid or proposal for a contract or before the company enters into or renews a contract with an agency or local governmental entity for goods or services of \$1 million or more, the company must certify that the company is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria. At the time a company submits a bid or proposal for a contract or before the company enters into or renews a contract with an agency or local governmental entity for goods or services of any amount, the company must certify that the company is not participating in a boycott of Israel.

CERTIFICATIONS OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ABOVE REFERENCED STATUTES ARE LOCATED ON SECTION VI, AND MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THE BID, SIGNED AND NOTARIZED.

- D) Bids are due and must be received in accordance with the instructions provided in the invitation to bid.
- E) The County will not reimburse Bidders for any costs associated or expenses incurred in connection with the preparation and submittal of any Bid.
- F) Bidders, their agents and associates shall not solicit any County Official, employee, agent, or volunteer and shall not contact any County Official, employee, agent, or volunteer other than the individual listed in Section VIII of this ITB for additional information and clarification.
- G) Due care and diligence have been exercised in the preparation of this ITB and all information contained herein is believed to be substantially correct. However, the responsibility for determining the full extent of the services required rests solely with those submitting a Bid. Neither the County nor its representatives shall be responsible for any error or omission in the Bids submitted, nor for the failure on the part of the Bidders to determine the full extent of the exposures.
- H) All timely Bids meeting the specifications set forth in this ITB will be considered. However, Bidders are cautioned to clearly indicate any deviations from these specifications. The terms and conditions

contained herein are those desired by the County and preference will be given to those Bids in full or substantially full compliance with them.

- I) Each Bidder is responsible for full and complete compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations including those of the Federal Government, the State of Florida and the County of Highlands. Failure or inability on the part of the Bidder to have complete knowledge and intent to comply with such laws, rules, and regulations shall not relieve any Bidder from its obligation to honor its Bid and to perform completely in accordance with its Bid.
- J) The County, at its discretion, reserves the right to waive minor informalities or irregularities in any Bids, to reject any and all Bids in whole or in part, with or without cause, and to accept that Bid, if any, which in its judgment will be in its best interest.
- K) Award will be made to the Bidder whose Bid is determined to be the most advantageous to the County, taking into consideration those Bids in compliance with the requirements as set forth in this ITB. The County reserves the right to reject any and all Bids for any reason or make no award whatsoever or request clarification of information from the Bidders.
- L) Any interpretation, clarification, correction or change to this ITB will be made by written addendum issued by the Purchasing Division. Any oral or other type of communication concerning this ITB shall not be binding.
- M) Bids must be signed by an individual of the Bidder's organization legally authorized to commit the Bidder to the performance of services contemplated by this ITB.
- N) Unless otherwise stated in the specifications, the following minimum Insurance Requirements will be included in the contract and must be met before delivery of goods and performance of services:
 - 1. Workers' Compensation Insurance: The Contractor shall have and maintain workers' compensation insurance for all employees for statutory limits in compliance with Florida law and Federal law. The policy must include Employer Liability with a limit of \$100,000 each accident, \$100,000 each employee, \$500,000 policy limit for disease.
 - 2. Commercial General Liability Insurance: Occurrence Form Required: The Contractor shall have and maintain commercial general liability (CGL) insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence. If such CGL insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to the work performed pursuant to this ITB in the amount of \$1,000,000. Products and completed operations aggregate shall be \$1,000,000. CGL insurance shall be written on an occurrence form and shall include bodily injury and property damage liability for premises, operations, independent contractors, products and completed operations, contractual liability, broad form property damage and property damage resulting from explosion, collapse or underground (x, c, u) exposures, personal injury and advertising injury. Fire damage liability shall be included at \$100,000.
 - 3. Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance: The Contractor shall have and maintain commercial automobile liability insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage liability. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of any auto (including owned, hired, and non-owned autos). The policy shall be endorsed to provide contractual liability coverage.
 - 4. Special Requirements / Evidence of Insurance:
 - a. A copy of the Bidder's current certificate of insurance MUST be provided with the Bid submitted in response to this ITB. A formal certificate shall be provided upon announcement that a Bidder has been awarded the work as called for in this ITB. The Certificate(s) shall be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. All Certificates of Insurance must be on file with and approved by the County before commencement of any work activities. The formal insurance certificate shall also comply with the following:
 - (1) "Highlands County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida and its elected officials, its agents, employees, and volunteers" shall be named as an

"Additional Insured" on all policies except Worker's Compensation and Professional Liability.

(2) Contractor shall deliver written notice to the County by overnight delivery return receipt requested, hand delivery or confirmed facsimile thirty (30) days prior to giving or within three (3) days after receiving notice of cancellation, modification, non-renewal, or any other lapse in coverage of any required insurance policies.

- b. It should be remembered that these are minimum requirements, which are subject to modification in response to high hazard operations.
- c. The policies of insurance shall be written on forms acceptable to the County and placed with insurance carriers authorized by the Insurance Department in the State of Florida that meet an AM Best financial strength rating of no less than "A- Excellent: FSC VII".
- d. The Contractor shall hold the County, its agents and employees, harmless on account of claims for damages to persons, property or premises arising out of the services performed in connection with this ITB. The County reserves the right to require the Contractor to provide and pay for any other insurance coverage the County deems necessary, depending upon the possible exposure to liability.
- e. All policies must include Waiver of subrogation; any liability aggregate limits shall apply "Per Jobsite"/Per Job Aggregate. All liability insurance except Professional Liability shall be Primary and Non-Contributory. Certificate of Insurance shall confirm in writing that these provisions apply.

5. Renewal:

- a. In the event the insurance coverage expires prior to termination of the contract entered into in connection with this ITB, a renewal certificate shall be issued 30-days prior to said expiration date.
- b. Such notification will be in writing by registered mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the County Purchasing Manager, 600 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870.

O) The following "Statement of Indemnification" will be incorporated in the contract entered into in connection with this ITB.

Contractor shall, in addition to any other obligation to indemnify the County and to the fullest extent permitted by law, protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its elected officials, employees, agents, and volunteers from and against all claims, actions, liabilities, losses (including economic losses), costs, including attorneys' fees and all costs of litigation, and judgments of every name and description arising out of or incidental to the performance of this Agreement or work performed under or related to this Agreement, unless caused by the sole negligence of the County, its elected officials, employees, agents, or volunteers. Any cost or expenses, including attorney's fees (including appellate, bankruptcy or patent counsel fees), incurred by the County to enforce this Indemnification shall be borne by the Contractor. This Indemnification shall also cover all claims brought against the County, its elected officials, employees, agents, or volunteers by any employee of the Contractor. The Contractor's obligation under this Indemnification shall not be limited in any way to the agreed upon Agreement price as shown in this Agreement or the Contractor's limit on or lack of sufficient insurance protection. Upon completion of all services, obligations and duties provided for in this Agreement, or in the event of termination of this Agreement for any reason, the terms and conditions of this Indemnification shall survive indefinitely.

P) All pages included in or attached by reference to this ITB shall be called and constitute the Invitation to Bid as stated on the front page of this ITB.

Q) If submitting Bids or Proposals for more than one ITB or Request for Proposal (RFP), each Bid and each Proposal must be in a separate envelope and correctly marked. Only one Bid for this ITB shall be accepted from any person, corporation or firm. Modifications will not be accepted or acknowledged.

- R) Each Bid must contain proof of enrollment in E-Verify.
- S) Minority Owned and Women Owned businesses must submit a copy of the certificate to receive credit.
- T) Board policy prohibits any County employee or members of their family from receiving any gift, benefit, and/or profit resulting from any contract or purchase. Board policy also prohibits acceptance of gifts of any kind other than advertising novelties valued less than \$10.00
- U) Bids are only accepted if delivered to the location and prior to the time specified on the ITB. Bids must be delivered in sealed envelope or box. Late Bids will not be accepted under any circumstances. If Bids are received after the scheduled time of the Bid Opening Meeting, the Bidder will be contacted for disposition. The Purchasing Division, at the Bidder's expense, can return the unopened envelope, or, at the Bidder's request in writing, can destroy it.
- V) Emailed and faxed Bids will not be accepted. Any blank spaces on the required Bid form or the absence of required submittals or signatures may cause the Bid to be declared non-responsive.
- W) The County is not responsible for correcting any errors or typos made on the Bid. Incorrect calculations or errors may cause the Bid to be declared non-responsive.
- X) The Bidder shall comply with the Florida Sales and Use Tax Law as it may apply to the contract. The quoted amount(s) shall include any and all Florida Sales and Use Tax payment obligations required by Florida Law of the successful Bidder and its material suppliers.
- Y) Any material submitted in response to this ITB will become public record pursuant to Section 119, Florida Statutes.
- Z) In the event of legal proceedings to enforce the terms of a contract entered into in connection with this ITB, the prevailing party will be entitled to legal fees. Venue is in Highlands County, Florida.
- AA) If any Bidder violates or is a party to a violation of the code of ethics of the County or the State of Florida, with respect to this ITB, such Bidder may be disqualified from performing the work described in this ITB or from furnishing the goods or services for which this ITB is issued and may be further disqualified from bidding on any future requests for work, goods or services for the County.

-END OF SECTION-

SECTION II. THE COUNTY'S RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

This ITB constitutes only as an invitation to submit a Bid to the County. The County reserves, holds and may in its own discretion, exercise any or all of the following rights and options with respect to this ITB:

- A. To supplement, amend or otherwise modify this ITB, and to cancel this ITB with or without the substitution of another Invitation to Bid (ITB) or Request for Proposals (RFP).
- B. To issue additional subsequent ITBs or RFPs.
- C. To reject all incomplete / non-responsive Bids, or Bids with errors.
- D. The County reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether any aspect of the submitted Bids is satisfactory to meet the criteria established in this ITB, the right to seek clarification and/or additional information from any submitting Bidder.
- E. The County also reserves the right to modify the Scope of Work to be performed.
- F. The County shall have no liability to any Bidder for any costs or expenses incurred in connection with the preparation and submittal of a Bid in response to this ITB.
- G. If the County believes that collusion exists among Bidders, all Bids will be rejected.

-END OF SECTION-

SECTION III.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ITB 20-035

- A) ADDENDUMS: In this ITB the County has attempted to address most situations that may occur. However, should situations arise that are not addressed, they will be dealt with on a case by case basis, at the discretion of the County. If deemed necessary, the Purchasing Division will supplement this ITB document with Addendums. These Addendums will be posted on the County's website, www.Highlandsfl.gov. It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to check the website for Addendums. Bidders must acknowledge receipt of Addendums by completing the respective section on the Bid Submittal Form.
- B) AFFIRMATION: By submitting a Bid, the Bidder affirms that the Bid is genuine and not made in the interest of or on behalf of any undisclosed person, firm or corporation and is not submitted in conformity with any agreement or rules of any group, association, organization or corporation; that the Bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other person to submit a false or sham Bid; that the Bidder has not solicited or induced any person, firm or corporation to refrain from submitting a Bid; and that the Bidder has not sought by collusion to obtain for him/herself/itself any advantage over other persons or over the County.
- C) COUNTY EMPLOYEES / CONFLICT OF INTEREST: All Bidders must disclose the name of any officer, director or agent who is also an employee of the Board. All Bidders must disclose the name of any Board employee who owns, directly or indirectly, any interest in the Bidder's business or any of its branches.
- D) MISUNDERSTANDINGS: The failure or omission of the Bidder to receive or examine any instruction or document, or any part of the specifications, or to visit the site and acquaint themselves as to the nature and location of the work (where applicable), the general and local conditions, and all matters which may in any way affect performance shall not relieve the Bidder of any obligation to perform as specified herein. The Bidder understands the intent and purpose thereof and their obligations and will not make any claim for, or have any right to damages resulting from any misunderstanding or misinterpretation of this ITB, or because of any lack of information.
- E) ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT: The selected Bidder and the person designated by the Bidder to perform the services required by this ITB in its Bid submitted in response to this ITB shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or sell any portion of any contract entered into in connection with this ITB unless permission is first given in writing by the County.
- F) COMPLAINTS: The contract will provide that complaints against the Contractor will be processed through the Purchasing Division and are to be corrected within five (5) business days. Written response to the Purchasing Manager is required. Failure to properly resolve complaints within five (5) business days may result in cancellation of the contract. Repeat complaints against the Contractor may result in termination of contract.
- G) REQUEST FOR CHANGE OF ITB SPECIFICATIONS: Requests for changes to specifications must be submitted for consideration in writing to the person identified in Section VIII of this ITB. Requests must be submitted by the Request for Information (RFI) Cut-Off date stated in Section IX of this ITB. The request will be evaluated by the Project Manager, and the County's response will be made in an Addendum.
- H) EXCEPTIONS / ITEMS NOT IDENTIFIED IN THE SCOPE OF WORK: Any modification to these specifications by a Bidder shall be an exception to the ITB and must be discussed in detail by the Bidder in its Bid under "Exceptions / Items not Identified in Scope of Work", unless otherwise specified.
- I) DOCUMENTATION RESULTING FROM SERVICES RENDERED: The contract will prohibit the Contractor from publishing or releasing any information related to the requested services without prior written permission from the County. All reports and documents resulting from the ensuing contract will remain the sole property of the County.

J) OTHER ENTITIES (“PIGGYBACKING”): All Bidders submitting a bid to this ITB agree to allow the City of Sebring, Florida and other local government agencies to purchase the Services for the same conditions and at the same pricing set forth by the bid, during the period that the awarded bid is in effect. Any liability created by purchase orders issued against the awarded bid shall be the sole responsibility of the entity placing the order. If the City of Sebring and other governmental agencies desire to participate in this ITB, and make an award thereof, each government agency shall accept the bidder’s response and make an award thereof independently of Highlands County. Each governmental agency shall be responsible for its own purchases and each shall be liable for materials and services ordered and received by that governmental agency. None of the agencies assume any liability for the other agencies’ actions by virtue of this ITB. This offer for participation in no way restricts or interferes with the right of the City of Sebring or any other governmental agency to competitively procure any or all items.

-END OF SECTION-

SECTION IV. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS AND MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

BACKGROUND: In light of COVID-19 Highlands County, in an effort to be prepared for shelter needs and provide for possible health related isolation, is soliciting for shelter related supplies and equipment on an “as needed” basis. The purpose is to protect against bacteria, viruses, germs and other organisms as much as possible.

It is the intent to rent the necessary equipment. Some items may be purchased if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the County. The equipment descriptions below are for bidding purposes only.

METHOD OF AWARD: At the time of bidding the exact need is unable to be determined. For bid award purposes the lowest responsive bid will be determined by the Grand Total of Fee Schedule A+B. However, due to the diversity of the products the County reserves the right to award by item.

1. The County has established the following Guidelines, Criteria, Goals, Objectives, Constraints, Schedule, Budget and or Requirements which shall service as a guide to the bidder(s) in conforming to the provision of goods and/or services to be provided pursuant to this Agreement/Contract:
 - 1.1. No amount purchase or rental is guaranteed upon the execution of an Agreement/Contract. Items are to be rented or purchased on an “as-needed” basis.
 - 1.2. Rates and all other negotiated expenses will remain in effect throughout the duration of the Agreement/Contract period.
 - 1.3. This contract does not entitle any bidder to exclusive rights to County Agreement/Contracts. The County reserves the right to obtain commodities or perform services in-house or by any other means it so desires.
 - 1.4. All pricing shall include shipping, handling or delivery and return as applicable.
 - 1.5. The County reserves the right to add or delete, at any time, and or all material, tasks or services associated with this Agreement/Contract.
 - 1.6. Should the item is not available in the timeframe needed from the lowest bidder, the County reserves the right to request from the next lowest until the item is obtained.
2. All Fee Schedules will be utilized for contractual purposes with the successful bidder. This will allow the County to make purchases and/or rentals on an “as needed” basis from all items available from both the Fee Schedule and Catalog discount pricing.

SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION: Items shown are provided for comparison as to style and quality.

1. **Hand Sanitizing Station:** Hand sanitizer stations are to be free-standing, ADA compliant self-contained units (no electricity required.) Bid items have been added for both bulk and cartridge refill type sanitizers. Proposed cartridge style stations must have refills readily available. The stand should be approximately 57” high, 16” wide, 16” deep. The bulk station would be designed for “High Traffic” areas and hold greater than 4 gallons. The bulk sanitizing is to be comparable to Fastbeds SKU HSS-1290 see <https://www.fastbeds-na.com/product-page/high-traffic-hand-sanitizing-station>. The cartridge/bag style sanitizer should be comparable to Purell Touch Free Dispensers.
2. **Hand Washing Station:** ADA compliant handwashing stations are needed for both indoor and outdoor use. The units are to be free-standing, self-contained with fresh and removable waste water tank, single user stations.
3. **Digital Signage:** To be utilized for traffic notification of shelter information. Each unit is to be self-contained with its own energy source, Industrial-grade, full-matrix display providing user-programmed messages, arrow board, and 3-line message capability (minimum of 12” letter size), both on-site and remote programming option, with solar or battery backup. The unit must meet the FDOT Traffic Control Materials Section. Digital Signage is to be comparable to Precision Solar Controls Model SMC1000ST.

4. **Signage Kiosk:** To be utilized at shelter locations for distribution of information.
The free-standing sign is to have display area approximately 24" x 36" to hold printed material protected by a clear lens. Unit is to be complete and ready for use. For indoor and outdoor use. The style is to be comparable to Titan model LF136, however base and pole or "H" style base are acceptable.
5. **Partitions/Dividers:** The free-standing and roll-able panels. The height is to be, at a minimum, 72" tall. No structural support necessary. The "curtaining" surface must be a wipeable non-porous surface, such as plastic or vinyl material, for easy decontamination. The metal framed style is to be comparable to Screenflex Portable Room Dividers (<https://www.screenflexroomdividers.com.au/products/standard-room-dividers>).
6. **Air Scrubber** Micro-HEPA wrap with 99% efficient filtration to 0.1 microns. To cover 1800 cubic ft. per minute. We think the need will be between 15-20 machines total. Style is to be comparable to Radial Air Purifier RAP 48 Air Scrubber 200 CFM.
7. **Miscellaneous Rental Items:** Provide a full list of supplies and equipment available for rent. This information is to include the supplies and equipment list with item number, item description, County's rental price by day, week, and month.
8. **Catalog:** Provide a full list of supplies and equipment available for purchase. This should be accompanied by a product list with item number, item description, list price, percentage off, and final County price for purchase.

-END OF SECTION-

**SECTION V. HIGHLANDS COUNTY FORMS
 BID SUBMITTAL FORM**

BID SUBMITTED TO:
**HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 PURCHASING DIVISION**

SOLICITATION IDENTIFICATION: **ITB 20-035**
 SOLICITATION NAME: **Shelter Supplies and Equipment (COVID-19)**
 PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY: _____

Proposer's Name

Proposer's Authorized Representative's Name and Title

Proposer's Address 1

Proposer's Address 2

Contact's Name and Title (Print)

Contact's E-mail Address

Contact's Phone Number

Dun's Number

Employer Identification Number/Federal Employer Identification

In submitting this response, BIDDER represents that:

- BIDDER has examined and carefully studied the ITB Documents and the following Addenda (receipt of all which is hereby acknowledged). Bidder should insert date of the Addendum and Addendum Number in boxes below:

Addenda Number	Date Issued	Addenda Number	Date Issued	Addenda Number	Date Issued	Addenda Number	Date Issued

- It is the sole responsibility of the bidder/proposer to check the Purchasing web-site for any addenda issued for this solicitation.

- The following documentation is included with this Bid:

Document	Check if included or circle one		
Completed Bid Submittal Form	Required	YES	NO
Drug-Free Workplace Certification	Required	YES	NO
Public Entity Crimes Sworn Statement	Required	YES	NO
Discrimination Certification	Required	YES	NO
Scrutinized Companies Certification	Required	YES	NO
E Verify Certification	Required	YES	NO
Contracting with Small and Minority and Women's Business Enterprises Affidavit	Required	YES	NO
Authorized Signatories/Negotiators	Required	YES	NO
Certification Regarding Lobbying	Required	YES	NO
Federal Debarment Certification Form	Required	YES	NO
Schedule of Subcontracting and Affidavit of Compliance	Required	YES	NO
Price Sheet-Rental	Required	YES	NO
Price Sheet-Purchase	Required	YES	NO
Specification Sheets for Bid Items 1-7 for rental and purchase.	Required	YES	NO
Acord Certificate of Insurance Form ("sample" copy from Vendor)	Required	YES	NO
Sunbiz.org Print out for your Tax Identification number	Required	YES	NO
Local Preference Affidavit (form removed not applicable to award)	Not Applicable	N/A	
Statement of No Bid	If Applicable	YES	NO
Label-Bid/Proposal Submission	If Applicable	YES	NO
Women / Minority Business Enterprise Certification	If Applicable	YES	NO

A. Pricing:

*For bidding purposes only, the calculations for "Estimated Rental Cost" will be used to determine the lowest (Grand Total of Fee Schedule A and B.) The unit price of the successful bidder will be utilized for contractual purposes. The County reserves the right to award by line item if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the County.

Having carefully examined the "Terms and Conditions", and the "Detailed Specifications", all of which are contained herein, propose to furnish the following which meet these specifications.

Term--Multi-year and Renewal Option(s)

The successful bidder/proposer shall be responsible for furnishing and delivering to the Highlands County requesting Department commodity or services on an "as needed" basis. The pricing provided shall be **FOB Destination, including delivery and pick-up of rental items.**

The initial term of the contract shall be a **three-year (3) period**. There will be an option to extend this contract for **two (2), additional one (1) year terms** upon approval of both the County and the vendor at the time of the extension or renewal.

FEE SCHEDULE A Daily Rental:

<i>Item #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Unit of Measure</i>	<i>*Estimated Number Needed</i>	<i>* Daily Unit Price</i>	<i>*Estimated Rental Total Price</i>
1A	Free-Standing Hand Sanitizing Station (ADA Compliant) Bulk Refill	Each	25		
2A	Free-Standing Hand Sanitizing Station (ADA Compliant) Cartridge/Bag Refill	Each	25		
3A	Refill Cartridge/Bag	Each	50		
4A	Free-Standing Hand Washing Station (ADA Compliant)	Each	10		
5A	Signage Board, non-powered	Each	10		
6A	Digital Traffic Signage Board	Each	20		
7A	Partitions/Dividers, Metal Frame (based on approx. 8'x8' rooms)	Room	200		
8A	Air Scrubber (filtration to 0.1 microns)	Each	20		
Sub-Total Fee Schedule A Daily Rental:					

FEE SCHEDULE B: Weekly Rental

<i>Item #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Unit of Measure</i>	<i>*Estimated Number Needed</i>	<i>* Weekly Unit Price</i>	<i>*Estimated Rental Total Price</i>
1B	Free-Standing Hand Sanitizing Station (ADA Compliant) Bulk Refill	Each	25		
2B	Free-Standing Hand Sanitizing Station (ADA Compliant) Cartridge/Bag Refill	Each	25		
3B	Refill Cartridge/Bag	Each	50		
4B	Free-Standing Hand Washing Station (ADA Compliant)	Each	10		
5B	Signage Board, non-powered	Each	10		
6B	Digital Traffic Signage Board	Each	20		
7B	Partitions/Dividers, Metal Frame (based on approx. 8'x8' rooms)	Room	200		
8B	Air Scrubber (filtration to 0.1 microns)	Each	20		
9B	Complete list of rental items with indicating County rental price by day, week and month when applicable.				
Sub-total Fee Schedule B: Weekly Rental					

Grand Total [numeric] (Fee Schedule A + B)

Grand Total [in words]

FEE SCHEDULE C: Purchase (attach specification sheet for items 1C-7C with submission)

<i>Item #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Unit of Measure</i>	<i>Purchase Amount</i>	
1C	Free-Standing Hand Sanitizing Station (ADA Compliant) Bulk Refill	Each		
2C	Free-Standing Hand Sanitizing Station (ADA Compliant) Cartridge/Bag Refill	Each		
3C	Refill Cartridge/Bag	Each		
4C	Free-Standing Hand Washing Station (ADA Compliant)	Each		
5C	Signage Board, non-powered	Each		
6C	Digital Traffic Signage Board	Each		
7C	Partitions/Dividers, Metal Frame (based on approx. 8'x8' rooms)	Room		
8C	Air Scrubber (filtration to 0.1 microns)	Each		
9C	Catalog Item(s) *attach a catalog and itemized price list indicating list price, % off, County Purchase Price. Itemized Price List Example:	% off list price		
Item #	Item Name	List Price	% discount	County Price
123	Widget	\$1.00	50%	\$0.50

This Bid is genuine and not made in the interest of or on behalf of any undisclosed person, firm or corporation and is not submitted in conformity with any agreement or rules of any group, association, organization or corporation; Bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Bidder to submit a false or sham Bid; Bidder has not solicited or induced any person, firm or corporation to refrain from bidding; and Bidder has not sought by collusion to obtain for itself any advantage over any other Bidder or over the County. The signature below, by an authorized representative, affirms they have read and understand the solicitation requirements.

SUBMITTED ON: _____ 20 _____

COMPANY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ (Seal)
Bidder's Authorized Representative

PRINTED NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.087, FLORIDA STATUTES
PREFERENCE TO DO BUSINESS WITH DRUG FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAMS**

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER
OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.**

1. This sworn statement is submitted to the HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

by _____
[Print individual's name and title]

for _____
[Print name and state of incorporation or other formation of the entity submitting this sworn statement]

whose business address is _____ and

whose Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Bidder")

2. CERTIFICATION

Bidder hereby certifies that at the time of its Bid the Bidder has a drug free workplace program in place. The program meets the requirements of Section 287.087, Florida Statutes.

THIS CERTIFICATION IS MADE PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.087, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND IS, UPON DELIVERY, A PUBLIC RECORD.

Print Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing Certification was sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20____, by _____, as _____, the duly authorized officer of _____, on its behalf, who is either personally known to me [] or has produced _____ as identification [].

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

Signature: _____
Print Name: _____
Notary Public, State of _____
Commission No. _____
My Commission Expires: _____

THIS SWORN STATEMENT IS MADE PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.133(3)A, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND IS, UPON DELIVERY, A PUBLIC RECORD

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Title: _____

On ____ day of _____, 20____.

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

Sworn and subscribed before me in the State and County first mentioned above on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Notary Public, State of _____

Commission No. _____

My Commission Expires: _____

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.134, FLORIDA STATUTES
DISCRIMINATION; DENIAL OR REVOCATION OF THE RIGHT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS WITH
PUBLIC ENTITIES**

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER
OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.**

1. This sworn statement is submitted to the HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

by _____
[Print individual's name and title]

for _____
[Print name and state of incorporation or other formation of the entity submitting this sworn statement]

whose business address is _____ and

whose Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Bidder")

2. CERTIFICATION

Bidder hereby certifies that at the time of its Bid the Bidder has not been placed on the discriminatory vendor list by the Department of Management Services.

THIS CERTIFICATION IS MADE PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.134, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND IS, UPON DELIVERY, A PUBLIC RECORD.

Print Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing Certification was sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20____, by _____, as _____, the duly authorized officer of _____, on its behalf, who is either personally known to me [] or has produced _____ as identification [].

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

Signature: _____
Print Name: _____
Notary Public, State of _____
Commission No. _____
My Commission Expires: _____

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.135, FLORIDA STATUTES
SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES CERTIFICATION**

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR
OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.**

1. This sworn statement is submitted to the HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

by _____
[Print individual's name and title]

for _____
[Print name and state of incorporation or other formation of the entity submitting this sworn statement]

whose business address is _____ and

whose Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Bidder")

2. CERTIFICATION

Bidder hereby certifies that at the time of its Bid the Bidder is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria. Bidder also hereby certifies that it is not participating in a boycott of Israel.

THIS CERTIFICATION IS MADE PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.135(5), FLORIDA STATUTES, AND IS, UPON DELIVERY, A PUBLIC RECORD.

Print Name: _____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing Certification was sworn to before me this ___ day of _____, 2017, by _____, as _____, the duly authorized officer of _____, on its behalf, who is either personally known to me [] or has produced _____ as identification [].

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

Print Name: _____
Notary Public, State of Florida
Commission No. _____
My Commission Expires: _____

CERTIFICATION OF PARTICIPATION IN THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICE BUREAU'S E-VERIFY PROGRAM

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1. This sworn statement is submitted to the HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

by _____
[Print individual's name and title]

for _____
[Print name and state of incorporation or other formation of the entity submitting this sworn statement]

whose business address is _____ and

whose Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Bidder")

2. CERTIFICATION

Bidder hereby certifies that at the time of its Bid the Bidder participates in the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Bureau's E-Verify Program, and does not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien.

Bidder's E-verify Company ID #: _____

THIS CERTIFICATION IS, UPON DELIVERY, A PUBLIC RECORD.

Print Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing Certification was sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20____, by _____, as _____, the duly authorized officer of _____, on its behalf, who is either personally known to me [] or has produced _____ as identification [].

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

Signature: _____
Print Name: _____
Notary Public, State of _____



STATEMENT OF NO BID

We, the undersigned, have declined to bid

- Specifications too "tight", i.e., geared toward one brand or manufacturer only
- Insufficient time to respond to the Invitation to Bid.
- We do not offer this product or services
- Unable to meet specifications
- Unable to meet Bond requirements
- Specifications unclear (explain how)
- Unable to meet Insurance requirements
- Remove us from your "Bidders List" altogether
- Other (specify below)

Remarks:

Company Name: _____

Signature: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Date: _____

Sealed Submission Label


Cut along the outer border and affix this label to your sealed submission envelope to identify it as a "Sealed Bid/Proposal"

Deliver to: Highlands County Purchasing Department
600 S. Commerce Ave., 2nd Floor
Sebring, FL 33870

Contact Information: Lori DeLoach, Purchasing Analyst
(863) 402-6500

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY



	SEALED BID/PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS • DO NOT OPEN •
SOLICITATION NO.:	ITB 20-035
SOLICITATION TITLE:	Shelter Supplies and Equipment (COVID-19)
DATE DUE:	Tuesday, June 16, 2020
TIME DUE:	Prior to: 3:30 PM
SUBMITTED BY:	_____ (Name of Company)
e-mail address	Telephone
DELIVER TO:	Highlands County Board of County Commissioners Attn: Purchasing Department, 2 nd Floor 600 South Commerce Avenue Sebring, Florida 33870
Note: submissions received after the time and date above will not be accepted.	

*Notice: The Date Due/Submission Deadline Date/Opening Date as stated on this label and other forms contained herein may have been updated via issuance of Addenda. It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor/Vendor to monitor the County webpage for any updates. Contractor/Vendor may strike through and update Date Due/Submission Deadline Date/Opening Date to match any updates to this date that have been published via Addenda.

LOCAL VENDOR AFFIDAVIT

LOCAL PREFERENCE AFFIDAVIT OF ELIGIBILITY

Not Applicable for this solicitation

SECTION VI. ITB CONTACT INFORMATION

All questions regarding this ITB and the details of the project during the ITB process shall be submitted by Bidders in writing to:

*Lori DeLoach, Purchasing Analyst
Highlands County Purchasing Division
600 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33875
Phone: (863) 402-6809; Email: ldeloach@highlandsfl.gov*

SECTION VII. REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) CUT-OFF

All questions regarding this ITB shall be submitted by Bidders in writing by 5 P.M. on the date noted on the cover page of this solicitation.

SECTION VIII. SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS AND CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY CONTRACTS UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS

As applicable, the following supplemental conditions and contract provisions are in addition to the General Conditions:

1. **BREACH OF CONTRACT** Applicable Federal Requirements – 2 C.F.R Part 200, APPENDIX II:

Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

Remedies. Unless otherwise provided by the Contract, all claims, counter-claims, disputes and other matters in question between the County and the Contractor arising out of or relating to the Service Provider Agreement between the parties, or the breach of it, that cannot be resolved by and between the parties after conferring in good faith, will be decided by a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Florida law. If such dispute is in state court, venue shall be in the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, Florida. If in federal court, venue shall be in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Highlands Division.

2. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND/OR CONVENIENCE**--2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(B).

Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

The County, by written notice to the Contractor, may terminate this Agreement with or without cause, in whole or in part, when the County determines in its sole discretion that it is in the County's best interest to do so. In the event of termination, the Contractor will not incur any new obligations for the terminated portion of the Agreement after the Contractor has received notification of termination.

If the Agreement is terminated before performance is completed, the Contractor shall be paid only for that work satisfactorily performed for which costs can be substantiated. Such payment, however, may not exceed an amount that is the same percentage of the Agreement price as the amount of work satisfactorily completed is a percentage of the total work called for by this Agreement. All work in progress shall become the property of the County and shall be turned over promptly by the Contractor.

3. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (C))

Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

During the performance of the contract, the Contractor, Subcontractor, subrecipient (all referred to as CONTRACTOR below) shall comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity Clause (41 CFR 60-1.4):

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

(3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

(4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions

may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

4. DAVIS-BACON ACT (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (D))

Applicability. The Davis-Bacon Act only applies to the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant Program, Homeland Security Grant Program, Nonprofit Security Grant Program, Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program, Port Security Grant Program, and Transit Security Grant Program. It DOES NOT apply to other FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs, including the Public Assistance Program. This regulation is not applicable for debris removal. For construction this is applicable to the Prime Contractor, Subcontractor and Subrecipients for construction contracts in excess of \$2,000. All Contractors, Subcontractors or Subrecipients shall pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than those in the latest Dept of Labor Regulations Wage Rate Table(s) as made by the Secretary of Labor as specified in the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). CONTRACTOR shall pay wages not less than once per week. For a definition of "construction" see 48 CFR 2.101.

Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act.

- a. All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.
- b. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
- c. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

5. COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK" ACT (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (D))

Applicability. This requirement applies to all contracts for construction or repair work above \$2,000 in situations where the Davis-Bacon Act also applies. It DOES NOT apply to the FEMA Public Assistance Program.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. §3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that the CONTRACTOR and COUNTY is prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The COUNTY must report all suspected or reported violations to the appropriate Federal agency.

- A. CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S. C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this Contract.
- B. Subcontracts. The CONTRACTOR or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as the FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
- C. Breach. A breach of the contract clause above may be grounds for termination of the Contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. §5.12.

6. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT (29 CFR 5.5(b), (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (E), (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)

Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA contracts awarded by the non- federal entity in excess of \$100,000 under grant and cooperative agreement programs that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers. It is applicable to construction work. These requirements do not apply to the purchase of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the

open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

Contracts in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors shall compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous.

Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The Highlands County Board of County Commissioners shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.

(4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

7. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (F))

Applicability. This requirement applies to “funding agreements,” but it DOES NOT apply to the Public Assistance, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Fire Management Assistance Grant Program, Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Grant Program, Disaster Case Management Grant Program, and Federal Assistance to Individuals and Households – Other Needs Assistance Grant Program, as FEMA awards under these programs do not meet the definition of “funding agreement.”

If the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

8. CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (G))

Applicability. This requirement applies to contracts awarded by a non-federal entity of amounts in excess of \$150,000 under a federal grant.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Clean Air Act

1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to Highlands County and understands and agrees that Highlands County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to Highlands County and understands and agrees that Highlands County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

9. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION
(2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (H))

Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

A contract cannot be awarded to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), “Debarment and Suspension.” The Excluded Parties List System in SAM contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. The Vendor/CONTRACTOR

agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The Vendor/CONTRACTOR further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

By submission of a proposal, Respondent affirms that it is in compliance with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and that neither it, its principals, nor its subcontractors are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. Respondent shall submit the Federal Debarment Certification Form demonstrating compliance.

Suspension and Debarment

(1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

(2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

(3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Highlands County. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to Highlands County, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

(4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

10. FLORIDA CONVICTED/SUSPENDED/DISCRIMINATORY COMPLAINTS

By submission of a proposal, Respondent affirms that it is not currently listed in the Florida Department of Management Services Convicted/Suspended/Discriminatory Complaint Vendor List.

11. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (I))

Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs. Contractors that apply or bid for a contract of \$100,000 or more under a federal grant must file the required certification. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(I); 31 U.S.C. § 1352; and 44 C.F.R. Part 18.

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended)

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

d. Required Certification. If applicable, contractors must sign and submit to the non-federal entity the attached certification form APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING.

12. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS (2 CFR §200.322)

Applicability. This requirement applies to all contracts awarded by a non- federal entity under FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

CONTRACTOR must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirement include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired by the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

- i. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
 1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 3. At a reasonable price.
- ii. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA- designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.
- iii. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.”

Contract Provisions:

13. ACCESS TO RECORDS

All recipients, subrecipients, successors, transferees, and assignees must acknowledge and agree to comply with applicable provisions governing DHS access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff. Recipients must give DHS/FEMA access to, and the right to examine and copy, records, accounts, and other documents and sources of information related to the federal financial assistance award and permit access to facilities, personnel, and other individuals and information as may be necessary, as required by DHS regulations and other applicable laws or program guidance. See DHS Standard Terms and Conditions: Version 8.1 (2018). Additionally, Section 1225 of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018 prohibits FEMA from providing reimbursement to any state, local, tribal, or territorial government, or private non-profit for activities made pursuant to a contract that purports to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA administrator or Comptroller General.

b. Access to Records. The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

(1) The Contractor agrees to provide Highlands County, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

(2) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(3) The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or their authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

(4) In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, Highlands County and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

14. CONTRACT CHANGES OR MODIFICATION

Applicability. FEMA recommends, therefore, that a non-Federal entity include a changes clause in its contract that describes how, if at all, changes can be made by either party to alter the method, price, or schedule of the work without breaching the contract. The language of the clause may differ depending on the nature of the contract and the end-item procured.

Changes or modifications are to be made in accordance with the County Purchasing Manual, unless otherwise stated in the contract.

15. DHS SEAL, LOGO, AND FLAGS

Applicability. FEMA recommends that all non-Federal entities place in their contracts a provision that a contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.

The contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.

16. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS and EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Applicability. FEMA recommends that all non-Federal entities place into their contracts an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the contract along with the requirement that the contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, and FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

This is an acknowledgment that FEMA financial assistance will be used only to fund the services provided under this solicitation. The Vendor will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

17. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Applicability. FEMA recommends that the non-Federal entity include a provision in its contract that states that the Federal Government is not a party to the contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

The Federal Government is not a party to this solicitation and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, Vendor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the Solicitation.

18. PROGRAM FRAUD and FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS

Applicability. FEMA recommends that the non-Federal entity include a provision in its contract that the contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap.

38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to its actions pertaining to the contract.

The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chapter 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

19. SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBE), WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (WBE), AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS

a. Highlands County may be receiving federal funding through Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the services solicited in the Request for Proposals (RFP). Accordingly, Highland County's M/WBE ordinance and program do not apply to this solicitation.

b. Among the many federal funding requirements, 2 CFR §200.321 (or 45 C.F.R. §75.330 for Health and Human Services funds) mandates that the Prime Contractor partakes in five "affirmative steps" designed to ensure that small and minority- owned, women-owned business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms have been, and for the duration of the project continue to be, afforded subcontracting opportunities. These affirmative steps are:

1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
2. Assuring that small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
3. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises;
4. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and
5. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

c. In order to adequately document that the proposer has fulfilled this requirement, the proposer shall complete the provided "Affidavit of Compliance with 2 CFR§200.321 (or 45 C.F.R. §75.330 for Health and Human Services funds) Requirements". The affidavit shall be notarized for this bid to be responsive.

d. The proposer shall also attach to the affidavit documentation evidencing that affirmative steps 1 – 3 above were taken in the preparation and submission of this bid. Such evidence shall include:

1. Copies of announcements/postings in newspapers, emails, web-postings, or other media for specific contracting/subcontracting opportunities that target small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises;
2. Copies of announcements/postings of contracting/subcontracting opportunities in trade publications, minority, or women's media that target small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises.
3. Documentation of sources used to identify potential small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises. A suggestion would be searching through the SBA's Dynamic Small Business directory at the following internet address: <http://dsbs.sba.gov> to search for registered minority and small businesses.

e. Failure to submit an executed and notarized "Affidavit of Compliance with 2 CFR §200.321 (or 45 C.F.R. §75.330 for Health and Human Services funds) Requirements" and to attach the documents requested in subsection 3.D. to that affidavit may necessitate the bid being rejected as nonresponsive.

f. The awarded contractor will be monitored by the County for continued compliance with 2 CFR §200.321 (or 45 C.F.R. §75.330 for Health and Human Services funds). The ability for that awarded contractor to be awarded federally funded contracts in the future may be jeopardized should that awarded contractor fail to comply with the intent and spirit of 2 CFR §200.321 (or 45 C.F.R. §75.330 for Health and Human Services funds).

g. If you have additional questions pertaining to this requirement contact the Small Business

Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce. Their websites and contact information can be found at www.SBA.gov and www.MBDA.gov.

20. ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies of the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. § 6201).

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SECTION IX. FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIRED FORMS
AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH 2 CFR §200.321 REQUIREMENTS
CONTRACTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S
BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS.
(OR 45 C.F.R. §75.330 FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FUNDS)

I, _____, in my capacity as _____,
(First and Last Name) (Company Title/Position)

am authorized to sign on behalf of, and fully bind, _____
(Company Name)

(the "Prime Contractor"). Accordingly, on behalf of the Prime Contractor, I swear to, and affirm, the following:

- _____ 1. Qualified small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises,
(Initial) were, and will continue to be, placed on all of the Prime Contractor's solicitation lists.
- _____ 2. The Prime Contractor solicited, and will continue to solicit, small and minority
(Initial) businesses, and women's business enterprises, when they were/are potential sources.
- _____ 3. Based on the Prime Contractor's experience and expertise, the total
(Initial) requirements of the project were, and will continue to be, divided – when economically feasible – into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.
- _____ 4. The Prime Contractor has and/or will establish delivery schedules that will
(Initial) encourage participation of small and minority business, and women's business enterprises.
- _____ 5. The Prime Contractor has and/or will use the services and assistance, as
(Initial) appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
- _____ 6. I understand that if the Prime Contractor fails to submit the documentation
(Initial) required in SECTION 1, GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBE), WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (WBE), AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS of these bid documents as attachments to this Affidavit of Compliance, that the Prime Contractor's bid will be considered non-responsive.
- _____ 7. I affirm that all the **documentation attached** to this Affidavit of Compliance
(Initial) reflect true and accurate records that have not in any way been altered.

_____ 8. I understand that, should the Prime Contractor be the awarded the contract that
(Initial) this affidavit will continue to be considered binding for the
duration of the project.

_____ 9. I understand that false statements on this Affidavit of Compliance may result
(Initial) in criminal prosecution for a felony of the third degree as provide for in
§92.525(3), Florida Statutes.

I swear and affirm that the above and foregoing representations are true and
correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Official Title

STATE OF _____)

COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____
20____, by _____ of _____, a _____

(Name of officer or agent, Title) (Name of company) (State)

corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

(Seal)

Signature Notary Public
Print, Type/Stamp Name of Notary

Personally Known [] or Produced Identification []

Type of Identification Produced: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES/NEGOTIATORS

The Bidder/Proposer represents that the following **principals** are authorized to sign bid/proposal, negotiate and/or sign contracts and related documents to which the bidder/proposer will be duly bound. Principal is defined as an employee, officer or other technical or professional in a position capable of substantially influencing the development or outcome of an activity required to perform the covered transaction.

Name _____ Title _____

Telephone Number/ Email _____

Signature _____

Signature Date _____

Title _____

Name of Business _____

Type of Organization

_____ Sole Proprietorship _____ Partnership _____ Joint Venture* _____ Corporation

_____ Limited Liability Company _____ Non-Profit

Sate Incorporation Document No. _____

Principal Place of Business (Florida Statute Chapter 607) _____
City/County

THE PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS SHALL BE THE ADDRESS OF THE PROPOSER'S PRINCIPAL OFFICE AS IDENTIFIED BY THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS.

Federal Tax ID # : _____

Joint Venture Firms must complete and submit with their Bid/Proposal Response the form titled "Information for Determining Joint Venture Eligibility", and a copy of the formal agreement between all joint venture parties. This joint venture agreement must indicate the parties' respective roles, responsibilities and levels of participation for the project. **If proposing as a Joint Venture, the Joint Venture shall obtain and maintain all contractually required insurance in the name of the Joint Venture as required by the Contract. Individual insurance in the name of the parties to the Joint venture will not be accepted. Failure to timely submit the required form along with an attached written copy of the joint venture agreement may result in disqualification of your Proposal Response.*

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING FOR ONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18**

(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The following certification and disclosure regarding payments to influence certain federal transactions are made per the provisions contained in 31 U.S.C 1352, the **“Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment.”**

The undersigned [Contractor] certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form- LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor’s Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor’s Authorized Official

Date

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18
(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

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1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form- LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with its instructions.
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This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor’s Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor’s Authorized Official

Date

FEDERAL DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION FORM

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension (1986) and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180.

(BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE WHICH ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE CERTIFICATION)

- (1) The prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds certifies, by Response, that it is in compliance with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and that neither it, its principals, nor its subcontractors are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

- (2) Where the prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this Response.

ATTESTATION

By signing this report, I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the foregoing is true, complete, and accurate. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material fact, may subject me to criminal, civil or administrative penalties for fraud, false statements, false claims or otherwise. (U.S. Code Title 18, Sections 3729-3730 and 3801-3812).

Company Name

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Signature

Date

FEDERAL DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION FORM (CONTINUED)

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this Response, the prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds is providing the certification as set out below.
2. The certification in this class is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the Department of Labor (DOL) may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this Response is submitted if at any time the prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds agrees by submitting this Response that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the DOL.
5. The prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds further agrees by submitting this Response that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

**SCHEDULE OF SUBCONTRACTING AND AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH 2 CFR §200.321 REQUIREMENTS
(OR 45 C.F.R. §75.330 FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FUNDS)**

I, _____, in my capacity as _____, am authorized to sign on behalf of, and fully bind,
(First and Last Name) (Company Title/Position)
 _____ (the "Prime Contractor"). Accordingly, on behalf of the Prime Contractor, I swear to, and affirm the following:
(Company Name)

- ✓ Qualified small and minority businesses, and women’s business enterprises were, and will continue to be, placed on all of the Prime Contractor’s solicitation lists.
- ✓ The Prime Contractor solicited, and will continue to solicit, small and minority businesses, and women’s business enterprises, when they were/are potential sources.
- ✓ Based on the Prime Contractor’s experience and expertise, the total requirements of the project were, and will continue to be, divided when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women’s business enterprises.
- ✓ The Prime Contractor has and/or will establish delivery schedules that will encourage participation of small and minority business, and women’s business enterprises.
- ✓ The Prime Contractor has and/or will use the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
- ✓ I understand that failure to present documentation validating compliance upon request of the County may result in this bid being deemed non-responsive.
- ✓ I understand that, should the Prime Contractor be the awarded the contract that this affidavit will continue to be considered binding for the duration of the project.

Name of Subcontractor <small>(attach additional pages as necessary)</small>	Address	Type of Work to be Performed	Amount or Percentage of Total

I understand that false statements on this Affidavit of Compliance may result in criminal prosecution for a felony of the third degree as provide for in §92.525(3), Florida Statutes.

<small>SIGNATURE</small>	<small>PRINTED NAME</small>	<small>OFFICIAL TITLE</small>	<small>DATE</small>
STATE OF _____ County of _____	The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ Day of _____ 20 _____ by _____ On behalf of the corporation. _____ Personally Known Or Produced Identification _____ <small>(Seal)</small> Type of Identification Produced.		NOTARY Signature Printed Name

NOTE: SMALL AND MINORITY-OWNED, WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS SHALL NOT BE EXEMPT FROM COMPLYING WITH THE AFFIRMATIVE STEPS OUTLINED IN 2 CFR §200.321 (OR 45 C.F.R. §75.330 FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FUNDS) FOR SUB-CONTRACTING.

SECTION X. SAMPLE CONTRACT

**CONTRACT
SHELTER SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT (COVID-19)**

This Contract ("Contract") is made _____, 20__ , by and between Highlands County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida ("County") and _____ ("Contractor"). In consideration of the mutual covenants to be performed by the Parties pursuant to this Contract, each Party hereby represents, warrants and agrees as follows:

ARTICLE 1. SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor hereby agrees to provide the County with **Shelter Supplies and Equipment (COVID-19)** described in the Highlands County Board of County Commissioners' ("Board") Invitation to Bid number **ITB 20-035** ("ITB") attached hereto and included herein as Exhibit A and the Products and Services attached hereto as Exhibit B, both of which are incorporated herein and made a part of this Contract ("Services").

In the event of a conflict between the provisions in this Contract and the provisions on Contractor's Bid submitted and accepted in response to the ITB, the provisions in this Contract shall govern. Contractor agrees that all work performed, or Products provided by Contractor pursuant to this Contract shall be to the standards of, and approval by the Project Manager. Further, Contractor agrees not to publish or disseminate any materials developed pursuant to this Contract without prior written approval by the Project Manager.

ARTICLE 2. TERM

The initial term of the contract shall be a **three-year (3) period**. There will be an option to extend this contract for **two (2), additional one (1) year terms** upon approval of both the County and the vendor at the time of the extension or renewal.

ARTICLE 3. CONTRACT PRICE

The prices are in accordance with unit pricing or percentage discount of list price set forth in Exhibit B, attached hereto and included herein by this reference.

ARTICLE 4. PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Invoices shall be submitted in sufficient detail to ensure compliance with this Contract, to the Project Manager, who will determine if the Products and/or Services rendered are satisfactory. Invoicing is to include, but not limited to, the established unit pricing and if applicable provide list price, percentage off and final County Price. Invoices shall be timely submitted and shall be in sufficient detail for the Project Manager and/or Purchasing Manager to ensure compliance with this Contract. Payment shall be made in accordance with the Board's Prompt Payment Policy and Local Government Prompt Payment Act, Section 218.70 et. seq., Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 5. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Contractor is, and shall be, in the performance of all services, providing of products and activities under this Contract, an Independent Contractor and not an employee, agent or servant of County. All persons engaged in any of the work or services performed by or for Contractor pursuant to this Contract shall at all times, and in all places, be subject to Contractor's direction, supervision, and control as an employee of Contractor. Contractor shall exercise control over the means and manner in which its employees perform the work, and in all respects Contractor's relationship and the relationship of its employees to County shall be that of an independent contractor and not as employees or agents of

County. Services performed by Contractor pursuant to this Contract are solely for the benefit of County. Nothing contained in this Contract creates any duties on the part of Contractor toward any third party.

ARTICLE 6. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL

Contractor shall maintain sufficient staff to perform the Services. Contractor shall remove any person from performing Services upon a determination by the County that such person is or has been careless, incompetent, insubordinate, reasonably objectionable, or whose continued presence on the job is deemed to be contrary to the best interest of Highlands County. Any personnel of Contractor who is charged with or is being prosecuted for a felony will be considered reasonably objectionable. Contractor warrants and represents that it has the right and power to fulfill its obligations under this Article.

ARTICLE 7. PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions for, and will be responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all programs relating to the safety of all persons and property affected by, or involved in, the performance of its operations under this Contract. Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent damage, injury or loss to: (a) all persons who may be affected by the performance of its operations, including employees; (b) all materials and equipment; and (c) all property at or surrounding the work site. In an emergency affecting the safety of persons or property, Contractor shall act with reasonable care and discretion to prevent any threatened damage, injury or loss.

ARTICLE 8. INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor shall, in addition to any other obligation to indemnify the County and to the fullest extent permitted by law, protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its elected officials, employees, agents, and volunteers from and against all claims, actions, liabilities, losses (including economic losses), costs, including attorneys' fees and all costs of litigation, and judgments of every name and description arising out of or incidental to the performance of this Contract or work performed under or related to this Contract, unless caused by the sole negligence of the County, its elected officials, employees, agents, or volunteers. Any cost or expenses, including attorney's fees (including appellate, bankruptcy or patent counsel fees), incurred by the County to enforce this Indemnification shall be borne by the Contractor. This Indemnification shall also cover all claims brought against the County, its elected officials, employees, agents, or volunteers by any employee of the Contractor. The Contractor's obligation under this Indemnification shall not be limited in any way to the agreed upon contract price as shown in this Contract or the Contractor's limit on or lack of sufficient insurance protection. Upon completion of all services, obligations and duties provided for in this Contract, or in the event of termination of this Contract for any reason, the terms and conditions of this Indemnification shall survive indefinitely.

ARTICLE 9. INSURANCE

9.1 Required Insurance. Contractor shall have and maintain in full force and effect the following minimum levels of insurance during the Term of this Contract and shall furnish to County Certificates of Insurance documenting that insurance coverage has been obtained which meets the following requirements:

(a) Workers' Compensation. Contractor shall have and maintain workers' compensation insurance for all employees for statutory limits in compliance with Florida law and Federal law. This insurance policy must include Employer' Liability with a limit of \$100,000 each accident, \$100,000 each employee, and \$500,000 policy limit for disease.

(b) Commercial General Liability. Occurrence Form Required: Contractor shall have and maintain commercial general liability (CGL) insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each

occurrence. If such CGL insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to the work performed pursuant to this Contract in the amount of \$1,000,000. Products and completed operations aggregate shall be \$1,000,000. CGL insurance shall be written on an occurrence form and shall include bodily injury and property damage liability for premises, operations, independent contractors, products and completed operations, contractual liability, broad form property damage and property damage resulting from explosion, collapse or underground (x, c, u) exposures, personal injury and advertising injury. Fire damage liability shall be included at \$100,000.

(c) Commercial Auto Liability Insurance. Contractor shall have and maintain commercial automobile liability insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage liability. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of any auto (including owned, hired, and non-owned autos). The policy shall be endorsed to provide contractual liability coverage.

9.2 Additional Requirements.

(a) Certificates of Insurance shall be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. All Certificates of Insurance must be on file with and approved by County before commencement of any work activities. The formal insurance certificates shall name "Highlands County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida and its elected officials, agents, employees and volunteers as "Additional Insureds" on all policies except Workers' Compensation.

(b) Contractor shall deliver written notice to the County Purchasing Manager, 600 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, by overnight delivery return receipt requested, hand delivery thirty (30) days prior to giving or within three (3) days after receiving notice of cancellation, modification, non-renewal, or any other lapse in coverage of any required insurance policies.

(c) In event the insurance coverage expires prior to termination of this Contract a renewal certificate shall be issued thirty (30) days prior to said expiration date.

(d) All insurance policies shall be written on forms acceptable to County and placed with insurance carriers authorized by the Insurance Department in the State of Florida that meet an financial A.M. Best Company financial strength rating of no less than (FSR) A-Excellent: (FSC) VII.

(e) All insurance policies must include Waiver of subrogation; any liability aggregate limits shall apply "Per Jobsite/Per Job Aggregate." All liability insurance, except Professional Liability, shall be Primary and Non-Contributory. Certificate of Insurance shall confirm in writing that these provisions apply.

(f) In the event that expired or terminated Certificates of Insurance are not replaced or renewed to cover the Term of this Contract, including any extended Term, County may suspend the Contract until the new or renewed certificates are received by County in the manner prescribed herein. If such suspension exceeds ten (10) calendar days, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract for cause and Contractor shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination.

9.3 These insurance requirements constitute the minimum requirements and shall in no way lessen or limit the liability of the Contractor.

ARTICLE 10. PATENT/COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor shall pay all royalties and assume all costs arising from the use of any invention, design, process, materials, equipment, software, product or device which is the subject of patent rights and copyrights. Contractor agrees, at its own expense, to hold harmless and to defend County and its officers, employees, elected officials, appointed officials, attorneys, and agents against any claims, suits, or proceedings brought against County for patent infringement occasioned by the manufacture, sale, or use of invention, design, process, materials, equipment, software, product or device under this Contract and to indemnify County against any damages occasioned by such claims whether justified or unjustified.

ARTICLE 11. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Contractor shall comply with all laws and regulations applicable to providing the services, materials, and equipment specified in this Contract. Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws that may affect the services, material, and equipment specified by this Contract.

ARTICLE 12. LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS, PERMITS AND FEES

Contractor shall hold all licenses and certifications and comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations, applicable to the work required herein. Any of the Contractor’s personnel who perform services shall be lawfully licensed and certified. Damages, penalties, and fines imposed on County or Contractor resulting from Contractor’s failure to obtain and maintain required licenses and certifications shall be borne by Contractor. All fees, permits, certifications and licenses are the responsibility of the Contractor and are included in the Contract price.

ARTICLE 13. LIMITED THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES

County shall not be obligated or liable to any person, organization or entity other than Contractor. Except provided in Article 24 of this Contract, no provision in this Contract is intended to, or shall be construed to, create any third-party beneficiary or to provide any rights to any person or entity not a party to this Contract, including but not limited to any citizen or employee of County or Contractor.

ARTICLE 14. PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

The products and services identified shall meet the specifications as awarded in Exhibit B.

ARTICLE 15. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

This Contract and all matters relating to the validity, interpretation, and performance of this Contract (whether in contract, statute, tort or otherwise) shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, except for principles of conflict of laws. Venue for any legal action shall lie in Highlands County, Florida, and any proceedings to enforce or interpret any provision of this Contract shall be brought exclusively in a court of competent jurisdiction in Highlands County, Florida.

ARTICLE 16. ASSIGNMENT

No assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in this Contract will be binding on another party hereto without the written consent of the party sought to be bound, and specifically, but without limitation, moneys that may become due and moneys that are due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be limited by law). Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent of an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract.

ARTICLE 17. SUBCONTRACTORS

Contractor agrees that no subcontractors are permitted to may be used pursuant to this Contract without prior written consent of the Project Manager.

ARTICLE 18. PROJECT MANAGER

The County hereby designates the person having the following position as the Board’s Project Manager for this Contract. The Project Manager shall be responsible for oversight, administration, and coordination of performance of this Contract for the Board.

Project Manager: Latosha Reiss, Emergency Management Manager

ARTICLE 19. NOTICES AND DESIGNATED CONTACT PERSON

Any notice required or permitted by this Contract to be given shall be deemed to have been duly given if in writing and delivered personally or five (5) days after mailing by first class registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid or by Federal Express, UPS or other nationally recognized delivery service, with confirmation of delivery requested, and addressed as follows:

To County: Highlands County Board of County Commissioners
501600 South Commerce Ave.
Sebring, FL 33870
Attn: Purchasing Manager

With a copy to: Joy Carmichael
Highlands County Attorney’s Office
600 S. Commerce Ave.
Sebring, FL 33870

To Contractor:

Attn: _____

The Parties shall designate a contact person whom shall be the primary contact person for each Party:

The County: the Project Manager listed in Article 18
The Contractor: _____

ARTICLE 20. TAXES

County is a non-profit governmental operation and not subject to federal excise or state sales tax.

ARTICLE 21. BANKRUPTCY

County reserves the right to terminate this Contract, if, during the term of the Contract, Contractor becomes involved as a debtor in any bankruptcy proceeding or becomes involved in a reorganization, dissolution or liquidation proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of Contractor under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law.

ARTICLE 22. SURVIVAL

The Parties acknowledge that the respective obligations of Contractor and County under this Contract, which by their nature would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration of this Contract, shall survive termination, cancellation or expiration of this Contract.

ARTICLE 23. WAIVER

No waiver by either Contractor or County with respect to any breach or default of or with respect to any provision or condition of this Contract shall be deemed to constitute a continuing waiver of any other breach or default of or with respect to the same or any other provision or condition of this Contract. No claim or right arising out of a breach of this Contract can be discharged in whole or in part by a waiver or renunciation of the claim or right unless the waiver or renunciation is supported by consideration and is in writing signed by the aggrieved Party.

ARTICLE 24. THIRD PARTY COMPLAINTS: Complaints against the Contractor in connection with the Contractor’s performance of Services under this ITB shall be processed through the Highlands County Purchasing Department (“Purchasing Department”). It is the County’s intention that complaints will be addressed and shall be corrected within five (5) business days. Upon receipt. The County will provide the Contractor with written notice of a received complaint. , the Contractor shall provide a written response to the Complaint to the and shall be provided to the Purchasing Department Manager within forty-eight (48) hours or as otherwise provided in the County’s notice. Contractor’s written response shall provide details of corrective action that has been or will be taken with respect to the complaint. . The Contractor’s failure to timely respond to the County’s notice or Contractor’s failure to properly resolve complaints within the time provided by the Purchasing Department Manager may result in cancellation of this Contract. properly resolve complaints within five (5) business days may result in cancellation of the contract.

ARTICLE 25. DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The Parties will use the following procedure to address any dispute arising under this Agreement (a "Dispute").

- A. **NEGOTIATION.** Either Party may initiate the Dispute resolution procedures by sending a notice of Dispute ("Notice of Dispute") to the other party’s designated contact person. The Parties will attempt to resolve the Dispute promptly through good faith negotiations including 1) timely escalation of the Dispute to the County Administrator and the Contractor’s representative who has authority to settle the Dispute and who is at a higher level of management than the person with direct responsibility for the matter and 2) direct communication between the individuals. If the Dispute has not been resolved within ten (10) days from the Notice of Dispute, the Parties will proceed to mediation.
- B. **MEDIATION.** The parties agree that they will voluntarily and in good faith participate in mediation of any controversies between them prior to and as a prerequisite of a party filing a legal proceeding unless such legal proceeding must be filed in order to avoid a contractual or statutory deadline, but in such event, the legal proceeding shall be abated until the required mediation is concluded. In the event of a controversy, the parties agree to schedule mediation to occur within forty-five (45)
- C. **LITIGATION, VENUE and JURISDICTION.** If a Dispute contract claim remains unresolved for sixty (60) days after receipt of the Notice of Mediation, the County may terminate this Contract in accordance with Article 26.1 or either Party may then submit the Dispute contract claim to a court of competent jurisdiction in in Highlands County , State of Florida. Each Party irrevocably agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in such state over any claim or matter arising under or in connection with this Contract Agreement. Venue for any and all actions arising out of or in any way related to the interpretation, validity, performance or breach of this Contract Agreement shall lie exclusively in a state court of appropriate jurisdiction in Highlands County, Florida. The use of these dispute resolution procedures shall not be construed under the doctrines of laches, waiver or estoppel to affect adversely the rights of either Party.

ARTICLE 26. FAILURE TO PERFORM

The Contractor shall be prepared to start providing Products and Services within fourteen days (14) days after execution of this Contract by Contractor and County. Failure to complete the provide products or services as scheduled may result in written notice to the Contractor terminating its right to proceed as to the whole or any part of this Contract. Should the Contractor be unable to supply the Products and Services within a reasonable time or refuse to supply Products and/or Service, the County may use the services provided by another contractor. The difference in the contracted price of the Services and that paid to the new contractor for the performance of services or Products shall be charged to and paid by Contractor by set-off against any amount owed by the County to the Contractor or, if none, shall be paid by the Contractor to the County within twenty (20) days after being invoiced by the County.

ARTICLE 27. TERMINATION

A. County May Terminate For Convenience.

1. Upon seven days written notice to Contractor, County may, without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of County, terminate the Contract. In such case, Contractor shall be paid for (without duplication of any items):
 - a. Completed Services rendered by Contractor completed and acceptable Work executed in accordance with the Contract Documents prior to the effective date of termination and where such Services are completed to the satisfaction and approval by the County; and
 - b. Expenses sustained by the Contractor prior to the effective date of termination in performing Services and furnishing labor, materials, or equipment as required by the Contract Documents in connection with uncompleted Services work, plus fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such expenses; and
 - c. other reasonable expenses directly attributable to termination, including costs incurred to prepare a termination for convenience cost proposal.
2. Contractor shall not be paid on account for loss of anticipated overhead, profits, or revenue, or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.

B. Except as specified above, this Contract may only be terminated by either party for cause based upon a breach of this Contract. In the event of termination, the County shall only be responsible for payment to Contractor based upon work Services satisfactorily completed as described in this Contract up to the date of termination.

ARTICLE 28. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or sell any portion of this Contract or performance thereof unless written consent is given, in advance, by the Project Manager. (Intentionally left blank)

ARTICLE 29. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

County is an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer and as such encourages Contractor to voluntarily comply with EEO regulations with regards to race, color, religion, gender, national origin, marital status, age, disability, genetic information and sexual orientation. In addition, Contractor or anyone under its employ shall comply with all applicable rules, regulations, and promulgations thereby pertaining to the avoidance or appearance of sexual harassment or on the job discrimination. Contractor shall maintain a work environment free of discrimination or unwelcome action of a personal nature. Any subcontracts entered into shall make deference to this clause with the same degree of application being encouraged. When applicable, Contractor shall comply with all new state and federal EEO regulations.

ARTICLE 30. INVALID OR UNENFORCEABLE PROVISION

Any provision or part of this Contract held to be void or unenforceable under any law or regulation shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon County and Contractor, who agree that this Contract shall be reformed to replace such stricken provision or part thereof with a valid and enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intention of the stricken provision.

ARTICLE 31. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES STATEMENT

Contractor represents that it has full knowledge of the requirements contained in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, relating to public entity crimes and that by executing this Contract, assures to County that neither Contractor nor agents, officers or employees of Contractor is on the convicted vendor list and that it is otherwise in compliance with the statute.

ARTICLE 32. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 32.1 Upon the occurrence of any event of default or breach by Contractor, all obligations on the part of County to make any further payments of funds pursuant to this Contract shall, if County so elects, terminate, but County may make any payments or parts of payments after the happening of any event of default or breach without thereby waiving the right to exercise any remedy which it may have and without becoming liable to make any further payment.
- 32.2 In the event of litigation legal proceedings to enforce the terms of this Contract the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, including attorneys' fees and costs upon appeal.
- 32.3 Contractor certifies by signing this Contract that no Commissioner or employee of the Board has solicited or accepted gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from Contractor or parties to subcontracts. Contractor and Contractor's agents and, officers or employees shall not pay any gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value to any Commissioner or employee of the Board.
- 32.4 Contractor shall cooperate fully with County in the scheduling and coordination of all phases of the Scope of Work.
- 32.5 Contractor shall report the status of performance of the Scope of Work to County upon request and hold pertinent data, calculations, and records pertaining to this Contract and performance of the Scope of Work open to the inspection of County and its authorized agents at any time.

ARTICLE 33. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

33.1 Definitions. As used in this Article.

- (a) Employee assigned to this Contract means an employee who was hired after November 6, 1986, who is directly performing work, in the United States, under this Contract. An employee is not considered to be directly performing work under this Contract if the employee
 - i. Normally performs support work, such as indirect or overhead functions; and
 - ii. Does not perform any substantial duties applicable to the Contract.
- (b) Subcontract means any contract entered into by a subcontractor to furnish supplies or services for performance of this Contract or a subcontract under this Contract. It includes but is not limited to purchase orders, and changes and modifications to purchase orders.
- (c) Subcontractor means any supplier, distributor, vendor, or firm that furnishes supplies or

services to or for Contractor or another subcontractor.

- (d) United States, as defined in 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(38), means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

33.2 Enrollment and verification requirements.

- (a) Contractor must be enrolled in E-Verify at time of contract award, and the Contractor shall use E-Verify to initiate verification of employment eligibility of all new employees.
 - (A) Enrolled thirty (30) calendar days or more. Contractor shall initiate verification of employment eligibility of all new hires of the Contractor, who are working in the State of Florida, whether or not assigned to this Contract, within three (3) business days after the date of hire; or
 - (B) Enrolled less than thirty (30) calendar days. Within thirty (30) calendar days after enrollment in E-Verify, Contractor shall initiate verification of employment eligibility of all new hires of Contractor who are working in the State of Florida, whether or not assigned to this Contract, within three (3) business days after the date of hire; or
 - i. Employees assigned to this Contract. For each employee assigned to this Contract, Contractor shall initiate verification of employment eligibility, to the extent allowed by the E-Verify program, within thirty (30) calendar days after date of contract award or within thirty (30) days after assignment to this Contract, whichever date is later.
- (b) Contractor shall comply, for the period of performance of this Contract, with the requirements of the E-Verify program MOU. Termination of Contractor's MOU and denial access to the E-Verify system by the Department of Homeland Security or the Social Security Administration or the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service is an event of default under this Contract.

- 33.3 Website. Information on registration for and use of the E-Verify program can be obtained via the Internet at the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service's Web site: <http://www.uscis.gov>.
- 33.4 Individuals previously verified. Contractor is not required by this Article to perform additional employment verification using E-Verify for any employee whose employment eligibility was previously verified by Contractor through the E-Verify program.
- 33.5 Subcontracts. Contractor shall include, and shall require the inclusion of, the requirements of this Article, including this paragraph (33.5) (appropriately modified for identification of the parties), in each subcontract that includes work performed in the United States under this Contract.

ARTICLE 34. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 287.135(3)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES

Pursuant to Section 287.135(3)(b), Florida Statutes, County may terminate this Contract, at the option of its Board of County Commissioners, if the Contractor is found to have submitted a certification required by Section 287.135(5), Florida Statutes, that is false or if Contractor is or has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel or if Contractor is or has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or if Contractor is or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

ARTICLE 35. PUBLIC RECORDS COMPLIANCE

If by providing services to County pursuant to this Contract Contractor is a contractor, as defined by Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, Contractor shall:

- 35.1 Keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the services.
- 35.2 Upon request of the County's custodian of public records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at the cost

that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.

35.3 Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the term of this Contract and following competition of this Contract if Contractor does not transfer the records to the County.

35.4 Upon competition of this Contract, transfer to the County, at no cost, all public records in possession of Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the services. If Contractor transfers all public records to the County upon competition of this Contract, Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Contract, Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County upon request from the County's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

Gloria Rybinski
County Public Information Officer
Telephone Number: 863-402-6836
E-mail Address: records@highlandsfl.gov
Mailing Address: 600 South Commerce Avenue
Sebring, FL 33870

ARTICLE 36. CHANGES/AMENDMENTS

This Contract constitutes the entire Contract between the Parties and supersedes any prior written or oral agreements. This Contract may not be changed except by written amendment signed by both Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above set forth.

ATTEST:

HIGHLANDS COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida By its Board of County Commissioners

By: _____
Robert W. Germaine, Clerk

By: _____
William R. Handley, Chairman

ATTEST:

a _____ corporation

By: _____
Print Name: _____

By: _____
Print Name: _____

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