



## Peralta Community College District

### **SMALL LOCAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE and SMALL EMERGING LOCAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM**

The District is committed to ensure equal opportunity and equitable treatment in awarding and managing its public contracts and has established an annual overall program goal of twenty-five percent participation for small local businesses. To facilitate opportunities for small local business, the District will use a maximum 5% bidding preference for SLBE and SELBE firms. The preference is only used for computation purposes to determine the winning bidder, the contract is awarded at the actual bid amount. Please review the following guidelines to see if your firm qualifies for the preference.

The 5% bidding preference for an SLBE and SELBE firms are for construction, personal and professional services, goods and services, maintenance, repairs, and operations where responsibility and quality are equal. The preference will be 5% of the bid amount of the lowest responsive responsible bidder, and may not exceed \$50,000.00 for any bid.

A Non-SLBE/SELBE Prime Contractor who utilizes 25% of total bid amount, with SLBE or SELBE subcontractors (who meet the District's Definition of an SLBE and SELBE), can also receive a maximum of 4% bidding preference, not to exceed \$50,000.00 for any bid. (See below Subcontractor section.)

#### **Definitions:**

**SLBE:** A Small Local Business Enterprise is a business that has not exceeded gross annual revenue of 8.5 million dollars for a construction firm, or 6 million dollars for goods and non-professional services firm, or 3 million dollars for architecture, engineering and professional services firm, for the past three consecutive years and meets the below geographic location requirements.

**SELBE:** A Small Local Emerging Business Enterprise is a business that has not exceeded gross annual revenue of 1.5 million dollars for the past three consecutive years and meets the below geographic location requirements.

**Commercially Useful Function:** Shall mean a business is directly responsible for providing the materials, equipment, supplies or services to the District as required by the contract solicitation. The business performs work that is normal for its business services and carries out its obligation by actually performing, managing, or supervising the work involved. The business is **not** Commercially Useful if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract, or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of SLBE or SELBE participation.

#### **Geographic Location Requirements:**

- The business must be located at a fixed, established commercial address located in the District's market area of Albany, Alameda, Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland, or Piedmont, and not a temporary or movable office, a post office box, or a telephone answering service.
- If the business has an office outside of the District's market area as well as an office within the market area, the office within the District's market area must be staffed on a full time permanent basis with someone employed by the business.
- If requested, the business that has an office outside of the District's market area must provide proof of one or more past contracts citing the business address (such as contracts to perform work, to rent space or equipment, or for other business services) was within the District's market area at least one (1) year prior to the date of contract award. The one-year requirement does not apply to businesses whose sole establishment is located within the District's market area.

## **Subcontractors:**

Non-SLBE/SELBE Prime Contractors who use subcontractors, who meet the district definitions of SLBE and SELBE, may receive a maximum of 4% bidding preference if the following conditions are met:

1. 25% of total bid amount is with Subcontractors who meet the District's definition of an SLBE and SELBE. The Prime Contractor must list each Subcontractor on the Subcontractor List form, clearly identifying the SLBE and SELBE status and the Dollar Amount of work each subcontractor will perform.
2. The Subcontractors must provide a Commercially Useful Function.
3. The Prime Contractor must maintain the Subcontractor percentages (based on the quoted dollar amounts) indicated in the Subcontractor List form at the time the Contract is awarded and throughout the term of the Contract.
4. The Prime Contractor must fill out sign the SLBE/SELBE Self Certification Affidavit and return it with the bid documents, and 48 hours after the bid opening the Prime Contractor must submit signed SLBE/SELBE Self Certification Affidavit from each of the SLBE and SELBE subcontractors listed in the Subcontractor form. The Subcontractor must agree to provide the requested documentation to verify the SLBE/SEBLE status.
5. No Substitutions can be made to the SLBE and SELBE subcontractor without the prior written approval of the District. The District will approve a subcontractor substitution on the following conditions:
  - a. A written statement from the subcontractor agreeing to the substitution.
  - b. When the subcontractor has been given a reasonable opportunity to execute the subcontract, yet fails to, or refuses to execute the subcontract, or refuses to satisfy contractual obligations.
  - c. When the subcontractor becomes insolvent.
  - d. When the District determines the work performed by the subcontractor is not in accordance with the contact agreement, or the subcontractor is substantially and unduly delaying or disrupting the progress of work.

Firms that meet the District criteria for an SLBE and SELBE can complete the below self-certification affidavit signed under penalty of perjury. Firms claiming SLBE and SELBE status in the self-certification affidavit will be required to submit proof of residency and revenue 48 hours after bid opening. Such proof shall consist of a copy of a contract to perform work, to rent space or equipment, or for other business services, executed from their local address, and the firm's tax returns for the past three consecutive years.



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**SLBE/SELBE SELF CERTIFICATION AFFIDAVIT**

I certify under penalty of perjury that my firm meets the District's definition of a Small Local Business Enterprise or a Small Emerging Local Business Enterprise and resides in the geographic location of the District's market area and qualifies for the below preference. The maximum preference will be five percent of the bid amount of the lowest responsible bidder, and may not exceed \$50,000.00 for any bid. The preference is only used for computation purposes to determine the winning bidder; the contract is awarded at the actual bid amount. The District's Contract Compliance Office will determine whether this requirement has been fulfilled. Bidders may only claim one of the below preferences.

<b>Certification Status</b>	<b>Preference</b>	<b>Preference Claimed (check only one)</b>
SLBE	5% of lowest bid	
SELBE	5% of lowest bid	
25% of Subcontractors are SLBE/SELBE	4% of lowest bid	
Not a SLBE/SELBE	None	

1. I acknowledge and am hereby advised that upon a finding of perjury with the claims made in this self certification affidavit the District is authorized to impose penalties which may include any of the following:
  - a) Refusal to certify the award of a contract
  - b) Suspension of a contract
  - c) Withholding of funds
  - d) Revision of a contract for material breach of contract
  - e) Disqualification of my firm from eligibility for providing goods and services to the Peralta Community College District for a period not to exceed five (5) years
  
2. I acknowledge and have been advised and hereby agree that my firm will be required to provide proof (and if applicable, my SLBE and SELBE Subcontractors will provide proof) of the status claimed on this self-certification affidavit 48 hours after bid opening. Proof of status claimed includes tax returns from the previous three years and past contracts to determine the size and geographical location of my firm.
  
3. I declare that the above provisions are attested to under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

Bid Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Bid Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed

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Date

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Printed or typed name

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Title

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Name of Company

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Telephone

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