## HAMPTON COUNTY NEW AMBULANCE CDBG# 4-SP-20-003 Advertisement for Bids

Hampton County will accept separate sealed bids for the purchase of one (1) new ambulance. The bid amount shall be a firm fixed price based on the unit provided in the bid package. All equipment and materials shall be provided based on the instructions and specifications and in accordance with all applicable regulations.

The Instructions for Bidders, Bid Form, Specifications, Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bond and other contract documents may be examined by contacting Chris Altman, Director, Hampton County EMS, Phone: 803-914-2151, email: <u>caltman@hamptoncountysc.org</u>.

This project will be conducted with funds provided in part by the SC Department of Commerce, Grants Administration, under the State's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The successful lowest responsive and responsible bidder must have an active registration in the System for Award Management (www.sam.gov). The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities and technicalities in the selection process.

All bid forms must be complete and sealed bids must be submitted by deadline date of 2PM on June 30, 2021. Once a sealed bid is submitted, no opportunity shall exist to withdraw and submit an alternate bid. Hampton County encourages participation by women and minority owned businesses. No bidder may withdraw their bid within 90 days of the date of the actual bid opening.

Bidders must deposit security with all bids. Security shall be in the form of a bid bond or certified check made payable to the County and shall be in an amount equal to not less than 10% of the amount of the bid.

Any prospective bidder, offeror, contractor or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation of this contract may protest to the County in accordance with Section 11-35-4210 of the SC Code of Laws, within 15 days of the date of issuance of the Notice to Award.

No bidder will be considered unless the bidder is legally qualified under the provisions of the SC Contractor's Licensing Law (SC Code of Laws as amended on April 1, 1999, Chapter 11, Sections 40-11-10 through 40-11-428).

Hampton County requests that all bidders respond with an actual bid or with a sealed "No Bid". This provision guards against receiving an insufficient response to the Advertisement for Bids.

A public bid opening will be held at 2PM on June 30, 2021 in at Hampton County EMS, 703 Second Street West, Hampton, SC 29924. For questions or additional information, call EMS Director Chris Altman, (803) 914-2151 or Barbara A. Johnson, LCOG, (843) 473-3951.

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