

ROCKDALE COUNTY, GEORGIA

January 24, 2018

Nine (9) Vehicles for Various Departments

**INVITATION TO BID
No. 18-04**



**ROCKDALE COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT
PROCUREMENT DIVISION
958 MILSTEAD AVENUE
CONYERS, GA 30012
770-278-7552**

INTRODUCTION:

This is an Invitation to Bid (ITB) for the purchase of **Nine (9) Vehicles for Various Departments** in Rockdale County. Instructions for preparation and submission of a bid are contained in this packet. Bids must be typed or printed in ink.

Rockdale County provides equal opportunity for all businesses and does not discriminate against any person or business because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, and handicap or veterans status. This policy ensures all segments of the business community have access to supplying the goods and services needed by Rockdale County.

PURCHASING CONTACT FOR THIS REQUEST:

All questions concerning this ITB and all questions arising subsequent to award are to be addressed to the Purchasing Division via email to Meagan Porch, Buyer, at meagan.porch@rockdalecountyga.gov or the following address:

Rockdale County Finance Department
Purchasing Division
Attn: Meagan Porch
958 Milstead Avenue
Conyers, GA 30012
Phone: (770) 278-7557, Fax (770) 278-8910
E-mail: meagan.porch@rockdalecountyga.gov

To maintain a "level playing field", and to assure that all bidders receive the same information, bidders are requested **NOT** to contact anyone other than the contact above until after the award of the contract. Doing so could result in disqualification of the bidder.

BID COPIES FOR EVALUATION:

One (1) hard copies and one (1) original hard copy and one (1) CD or Flash Drive in Adobe PDF format will be required for review purposes. (*Original must be clearly marked "Original" and the Copies clearly marked "Copies."*). CD's that are blank or have incorrect information on them will not be acceptable and may be justification for disqualification. Check your disk(s) to ensure that they have the appropriate material on it before submitting.

All bid materials must be completed and enclosed in a sealed envelope prior to submittal. The ITB number must be clearly written on the outside of the envelope. **Incomplete, incorrect, unsealed, unmarked, or improperly submitted bids may be rejected.**

DUE DATE:

Sealed bids will be received at the Rockdale County Finance Department, Procurement Division, 958 Milstead Avenue, Conyers, GA 30012 no later than **2:00 P.M., local time, Thursday, February 8, 2018**. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bidders are not required to attend bid opening.

ADDENDA:

Answers to questions submitted that materially change the conditions and specifications of this ITB will be issued in an addendum and posted to the County's website at www.rockdalecountyga.gov under Bid Opportunities. Any discussions or documents will be considered non-binding unless incorporated and issued in an addendum.

It is the bidder's responsibility to check the Rockdale County website at www.rockdalecountyga.gov, under Bid Opportunities for any addenda that may be issued, prior to submitting a bid for this ITB.

SILENCE OF SPECIFICATIONS

The apparent silence of these specifications and any supplemental specifications as to any details, or the omission from it of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practices are to prevail and that only materials of first quality and correct type, size and design are to be used. All workmanship is to be first quality. All interpretations of this specification shall be made upon the basis of this statement, with County interpretation to prevail.

PROPRIETARY INFORMATION:

Careful consideration should be given before submitting confidential information to Rockdale County. The Georgia Open Records Act permits public scrutiny of most materials collected as part of this process. Please clearly mark any information that is considered a trade secret, as defined by the Georgia Trade Secrets Act of 1990, O.C.G.A. §10-1-760 et seq., as trade secrets are exempt from disclosure under the Open Records Act. Rockdale County does not guarantee the confidentiality of any information not clearly marked as a trade secret.

SELECTION PROCESS:

The Rockdale County Procurement Office and/or Evaluation Committee make a recommendation for award. The Board of Commissioners will make the actual award of the contract and has the authority to award the contract to a company different than the company recommended by the Purchasing Department and/or Evaluation Committee.

This is a past performance/quality/price trade-off source selection in which competing offeror's past and present performance history and product quality will be evaluated on a basis approximately equal to price. Award will be made to the responsible offeror whose bid represents the best value after evaluation in accordance with the factors listed below. Rockdale County Board of Commissioners may reject any or all bids if such action is in the county's interest.

Rockdale County may evaluate bids and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial bid should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. The County reserves the right to conduct discussions if the County later determines them to be necessary.

LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE POLICY

The Rockdale County Board of Commissioners adopted a Local Vendor Preference Policy on March 26, 2013. The policy will apply to all qualified Invitations to Bid and Request for Proposals after May 1, 2013. The Local Vendor Preference Policy allows Rockdale County vendors to get an extra 5 points on the evaluation criteria scoring for Request for Proposal. The Policy will give the local bidder the opportunity to match the price of a non-local vendor's bid price if they are low and within 5% of the low bidder's price on Invitations to Bid. A copy of the Policy may be downloaded from the County website at www.rockdalecountyga.gov, Bid Opportunities. Local vendors interested in being considered for the Local Vendor Preference must submit an

The Local Vendor Preference Policy: will apply to this ITB.

GENERAL INFORMATION:**RECEIPT OF BID:**

No bids received after said time or at any place other than the time and place as stated in the notice shall be considered. No responsibility shall attach to Rockdale County for the premature opening of a bid not properly addressed and identified.

WITHDRAWAL OF BID:

A bidder may withdraw his bid before the bid due date, without prejudice to the bidder, by submitting a written request of withdrawal to the Rockdale County Procurement Office.

REJECTION OF BID:

Rockdale County may reject any and all bids and must reject a bid of any party who has been delinquent or unfaithful in any formal contract with Rockdale County. Also, the right is reserved to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid in the proposing procedure. Rockdale County shall be the sole judge as to which bid is best, and in ascertaining this, will take into consideration the business integrity, financial resources, facilities for performing the work, and experience in similar operations of the various bidders.

STATEMENT OF EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS:

The bidder may be required, upon request, to prove to the satisfaction of Rockdale County that he/she has the skill, experience, necessary facilities and ample financial resources to perform the contract(s) in a satisfactory manner and within the required time. If the available evidence of competency of any bidder is not satisfactory, the bid of such bidder may be rejected. The successful bidder is required to comply with and abide by all applicable federal and state laws in effect at the time the contract is awarded.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT:

By submitting a bid, the bidder represents and warrants that such bid is genuine and not sham or collusive or made in the interest or in behalf of any person not therein named, that the bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a sham bid, or any other person, firm or corporation to refrain from proposing and that the bidder has not in any manner sought by collusion to secure to that bidder any advantage over any other bidder.

INTEREST OF:

By submitting a bid, the bidder represents and warrants that a Commissioner, Administrator, employee, nor any other person employed by Rockdale County has, in any manner, an interest, directly or indirectly, in the bid or in the contract which may be made under it, or in any expected profits to arise therefrom.

DOCUMENTS DEEMED PART OF THE CONTRACT:

The notice, invitation to bidders, general conditions, and instructions for bidders, special conditions, specifications, bid, and addenda, if any, will be deemed part of the contract.

GOVERNING LAWS:

This contract is made under and shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS:

The vendor shall not take advantage of any errors or omissions in this Bid Request, and shall promptly notify Rockdale County of any omissions or errors found in this document.

STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The instructions contained herein shall be construed as a part of any bid invitation and/or specifications issued by Rockdale County and must be followed by each bidder.
2. The written specifications contained in this bid shall not be changed or superseded except by written addendum from Rockdale County. Failure to comply with the written specifications for this bid may result in disqualification by Rockdale County.
3. All goods and materials shall be F.O.B. Destination Conyers, Georgia and no freight or postage charges will be paid by Rockdale County unless such charges are included in the bid price.
4. The following **ITB # 18-04** must be written clearly on the outside of each bid envelope in order to avoid prior opening in error.
5. All bids must be received and in-hand at bid due date and time. Each bidder assumes the responsibility for having his/her bid received at the designated time and place of bid due date. Bids received after the stated time and date may be subject to rejection without consideration, regardless of postmark. Rockdale County accepts no responsibility for mail delivery.
6. Unless otherwise stated, all bids submitted shall be valid and may not be withdrawn for a period of 120 days from the due date.
7. Each bid form submitted must include the name of the business, mailing address, the name, title and signature of the person submitting the bid. When submitting a bid to Rockdale County the first page of your bid package should be the bid form listing the price, delivery date, etc., unless the bid form is requested to be in a separate envelope.
8. Rockdale County reserves the right to accept a bid that is not the lowest price if, in the County's judgment, such bid is in the best interest of the County and the public. The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
9. Telephone, Telegraphic or Facsimile bids will not be accepted.
10. No sales tax will be charged on any orders except for contracts that include construction materials being purchased through a third party.

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Sales Tax Exempt #58-800068K
11. If applicable, completed questionnaires must be signed manually. Rockdale County reserves the right to accept or reject any bid on the basis of incomplete or inaccurate answers to the questionnaire.
12. If applicable, warranty information shall be provided.
13. Bidders shall state delivery time after receiving order.
14. Bidders shall identify any subcontractors, and include an explanation of the service or product that they may provide.

BID SPECIFICATIONS:

The specifications are as follows and on the attached pages:

General:

Purchase Price shall include delivery, F.O.B. Rockdale County, Conyers, GA 30012.

Include any brochures and specifications that pertain to the equipment that you are proposing.

List any options and the cost for the options separately.

Warranty information must be provided with the submittal of bid.

Technical:

The attached specifications that are listed are "desired" specifications based on the current product knowledge of Rockdale County. The purpose of this Bid Request is to review and evaluate other similar alternatives that could meet the County's needs. Any reference to a particular vendor or their product specifications is for descriptive purposes only and will not alter the competitiveness of this Bid Request. See attached for more information.

BID FORM – ITB No. 18-04

Instructions: Complete all THREE parts of this bid form.

PART I: Bid Summary

Complete the information below. If you wish to submit more than one brand, make a photocopy of this Bid Form.

1.	2018 Ford Explorers 4x4 – Qty. 2	\$	/Each
2.	2018 Ford F-150 Super Cab 4x4 – Qty. 5	\$	/Each
3.	2018 Ford F-150 5.0L V8 Flex Fuel Engine Crew Cab 4x4 – Qty. 1	\$	/Each
4.	2018 Ford Explorer XLT 4x4 – Qty. 1	\$	/Each
5.	Lump Sum For All Vehicles	\$	
6.	Delivery Time After Receipt of Order		/days

PART II: Addenda Acknowledgements (if applicable)

Each vendor is responsible for determining that all addenda issued by the Rockdale County Finance Department – Purchasing Division have been received before submitting a bid.

Addenda	Date Vendor Received	Initials
"1"		
"2"		
"3"		
"4"		
"5"		
"6"		

PART III: Vendor Information:

Vendor Name	
Address	
Telephone	
E-Mail	
Representative (print name)	
Signature of Representative	
Date Submitted	

2018 Ford Explorer XLT 4x4 - Qty. 2

3.5L V6 Engine	Trailer Tow Pkg (4X4 only)
6 Speed Automatic Transmission	
Power Steering	XLT 4WD upgrade
Tilt / Cruise	
Power ABS Brakes	Delivery
Aluminum Wheels	
Power Windows / Locks / Mirrors	
AM-FM-CD Radio	
Ford SYNC (bluetooth)	
Factory AC	
Rear View Camera	
Mini Spare Tire	
Carpet with Mats	
Cloth Bucket Seats Front	
2nd & 3rd Row folding split seat	
Rear Window Defroster	
Keyless Remotes (2)	
Power driver seat	
Privacy glass	
Roll stability control	

Ruby Red Exterior with Medium Lt. Camel Interior

2018 Ford F150 (1/2 ton) - Super Cab 4x4 - Qty. 5

3.3L V6 Flex Fuel engine	Super Cab (6.5 ft. bed)
6 Speed Automatic Transmission	
Factory Installed A/C	4x4 Option (All models)
AM-FM Radio	
Solar Tinted Glass	Power Windows/Locks/Mirrors
Power Steering/ABS Brakes	
Rear view back up camera	Spray-in Bedliner
Vinyl 40/20/40 Bench Seat	
Rubber Floor Covering	Delivery
Full Size Spare/ Step bumper	
Autolamp headlights	
Short Bed (6.5 ft)	
6500 GVWR	
P245/70R17 Tires	
Rain sensing wipers	

White Exterior with Medium Gray Interior

2018 Ford F150 5.0L V8 Flex Fuel Engine

Crew Cab 4x4 - Qty. 1

3.3L V6 Flex Fuel engine	5.0L V8 Flex Fuel engine
6 Speed Automatic Transmission	
Factory Installed A/C	4x4 Option (All models)
AM-FM Radio	
Solar Tinted Glass	Crew Cab XL SWB
Power Steering/ABS Brakes	
Rear view back up camera	Cab Steps (black)
Vinyl 40/20/40 Bench Seat	
Rubber Floor Covering	Power Windows/Locks/Mirrors
Full Size Spare/ Step bumper	
Autolamp headlights	Class IV Hitch (w/o tow pkg)
Short Bed (6.5 ft)	
6500 GVWR	Spray-in Bedliner
P245/70Rx17 Tires	
Rain sensing wipers	Delivery
White Exterior with Gray Interior	

2018 Ford Explorer Mid-Size SUV 4x4 - Qty. 1

3.5L V6 Engine	XLT 4WD upgrade
6 Speed Automatic Transmission	
Power Steering	XLT Driver pkg
Tilt / Cruise	
Power ABS Brakes	Navigation and Blind Spot
Aluminum Wheels	
Power Windows / Locks / Mirrors	Delivery
AM-FM-CD Radio	
Ford SYNC (bluetooth)	
Factory AC	
Rear View Camera	
Mini Spare Tire	
Carpet with Mats	
Cloth Bucket Seats Front	
2nd & 3rd Row folding split seat	
Rear Window Defroster	
Keyless Remotes (2)	
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