LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO VENDOR'S - REOUEST FOR PROPOSALS

ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT 1830 NOGALES STREET ROWLAND, CA 91748

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ("RFP") FOR

Internal Connections Acquisition - Category II (Fiber Optic Installation, Horizontal Copper Cabling, and Patch Cables)

E-RATE FUNDING YR 2023

RFQ/RFP # 2022/23: (R6)

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of the **ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT** (herein after referred to as the "District") of Los Angeles County, California, will receive proposals for:

Internal Connections Acquisition -Category II, RFP NO. RUSD 22/23 (R6)

The District is seeking proposals from qualified authorized resellers ("Vendors") for the acquisition of Fiber Optic backbone cable installation and Horizontal Copper cabling as eligible under the Universal Service School and Libraries (SLD) Eligible Services List and subsequent rulings. This acquisition shall be for equipment according to the specifications set forth herein and will apply to funding year 2023.

Each proposal is to be in accordance with the format specified by the Purchasing Department, copies are available through the Purchasing website located at: <u>www.rowlandschools.org/</u>.

Any service provider seeking clarification of Form 470 and/or RFP shall email a request for information (RFI) to the following address by the RFI questioning deadline (January 27, 2023, 10:00 a.m.): <u>rmcleod@rowlandschools.org</u>.

Contractor License Requirements: To perform the work required by this notice, the Contractor must possess a Class "C-7" or "C-10" Contractor's License, and the Vendor/Contractor must maintain the license throughout the duration of the contract. If, at time of award of the contract, bidder is not licensed to perform the project in accordance with Division 3, Chapter 9, of the Business and Professions Code for the State of California such proposal will not be considered and the Vendor will forfeit its bid security to the District.

Questions regarding this RFP must be received in writing and directed to Rosana McLeod at rmcleod@rowlandschools.org on or before January 27, 2023 no later than 10:00 a.m. Emails must be titled as follows: RUSD RFP No. 2022/23: (R6) - RFI [CompanyName]. District reserves the right to disregard emails with an incorrect title. Responses to RFI's questions will be provided via addenda posted to the Form 470 through USAC's E-rate Productivity Center (EPC) and posted on the District website on or before January 31, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Phone calls to the District regarding this RFP will not be accepted.

Each proposal must be filed with the Purchasing Department on or before <u>February 22nd, 2023</u> <u>NO LATER THAN 10: a.m.</u> All proposals shall be submitted separately and sealed in a package plainly marked with the appropriate title for each proposal. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive informality in any proposals received. No vendor may withdraw his proposal for a period of Ninety (90) calendar days after the date set for the receipt of proposals.

This RFP is issued pursuant to Public Contract Code section 20118.2. Any award under this RFP shall be made to the qualified proposer whose proposal meets the evaluation standards in this RFP and whose proposal will be most advantageous to the District with price and all other factors considered.

This RFP depends on funding from the Federal E-Rate Program. The establishing E-Rate Form 470 number is # 230011469. Vendor must participate in the E-Rate Program and must provide a Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) and Federal Registration Number (FCC-FRN) with the proposal.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Job Walk, at which time interested vendors may acquaint themselves with the District's requirements/sites in the RFP, is scheduled for <u>9:00 A.M., on January 20th, 2023</u>; at Blandford Elementary School, 2601 S. Blandford Drive, Rowland Heights, California 91748. *The District will only accept proposals from vendors that attend this mandatory job walk and walk all sites.*

Proposals may be made using an existing piggybackable bid and/or an existing State of California contract, i.e. CMAS, or Western States Contracting Alliance, now known as NASPO ValuePoint.

Schedule of Events

The following is the tentative schedule for this RFP, which is subject to change:

- RFP Issuance Date January 9, 2023
- 1st Publication in San Gabriel Valley Tribune January 9, 2023
- 2nd Publication in San Gabriel Valley Tribune...... January 16, 2023
- Mandatory Job Walk January 20, 2023, 9:00 a.m. (PST)
 - Will begin at Blandford Elementary School, 2601 S. Blandford Drive, Rowland Heights, California 91748, at 9:00 a.m. (PST).
 - The District will only accept proposals from vendors that attend the mandatory job walk and walk all sites.
- Deadline for Questions...... January 27, 2023, 10:00 a.m. (PST)
- Final Addendum posted (if needed)
- as additional "RFP Document" to Form 470...... January 31, 2023
- Deadline for Proposal Submission February 22, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
- Board of Education Approval...... March 9, 2023
- Notice to Proceed
 Subject to E-Rate Approval

RFP/Q will be posted on District's website at <u>www.rowlandschools.org</u> under the Purchasing Services subpage.

Publication in San Gabriel Valley Tribune on January 9, 2023 and January 16, 2023