

INVITATION TO BID

Mountain Empire Unified School District is requesting bids from qualified contractors and subcontractors (B License) for the: **Descanso Elementary Office Relocation Project**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The District is relocating the **Descanso Elementary School Office** to an existing building on the same campus and making modifications to the entrance and interior spaces.

Provide Construction Services as needed for the Descanso Office Relocation Project relating to ADA, F/A, construction of interior walls and concrete work, installation of mechanical, electrical, and plumbing. The District Budget for this work is \$300,000.00. The anticipated schedule is approximately 6 months (estimated start date is November 1, 2023) and must be complete by April 26, 2024.

MANDATORY PRE-BID WALKS are **October 3, 2023, at 3:00 PM** at Descanso Elementary School, 24842 Viejas Boulevard, Descanso, CA 91916. Attendees will be required to bring their driver's license for check-in and sign in.

FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS, BIDDERS MUST ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING:

- **Photographs:** when taking pictures of the site, please make sure students are not in the frame.
- **Restrooms:** please use a "staff only" restroom – student restrooms are not open to adults.
- **Conduct:** when walking through the campus, stay together as a group and keep your voices down. Class may in session.
- **Leaving the walk before it has concluded:** if you need to leave the site walk before it has ended, locate the general contractor staff and they will escort you to the nearest exit.

PRIME CONTRACTOR PRE-QUALIFICATION: All Prime Contractors submitting bids for bid packages must be prequalified with the District and the Pre-Qualification Applications are due September 21, 2023, 4:00 PM. Questionnaires for prequalification must be submitted to the District a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the bid date. Bids will not be accepted from non-prequalified Prime Contractors. Applications for District Prequalification can be found at: <https://www.qualitybidders.com>. For more information or questions related to MEUSD Prequalification, please email <https://www.qualitybidders.com>.

SUBCONTRACTOR PRE-QUALIFICATION: Due to the size of the District student population, Subcontractors, are not required to be prequalified by the District. However, a Subcontractor is bidding the project as a Prime Contractor, Pre-Qualification is required.

BID DATE & TIME: October 5, 2023, at 2:00 PM. *Sealed Bid Packages* will be received at MEUSD District Headquarters, 3291 Buckman Springs Road, Pine Valley, CA 91962. Bids will not be received by email.

PROJECT CONTACT: To control information disseminated regarding this Bid, firms are directed not to make personal contact with members of the Board of Trustees and District Administration except for the individual listed below:

Gary Hobelman, Assistant Superintendent of Business
3291 Buckman Springs Road
Pine Valley, CA 91962
Email: gary.hobelman@meusd.k12.ca.us or 619-473-9022

Pre-Bid RFI DEADLINE: Submit RFI's via email to Gary Hobelman no later than **October 2, 2023, by 4:00 PM.** Final addendum addressing RFI responses will be issued on or before October 3, 2023

BID HOLD: *No bidder may withdraw any bid for a period of one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days after the date set for the opening of bids.*

BID SECURITY: Each bidder's bid must be accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid price: (1) cash; (2) a cashier's check made payable to the School; (3) a certified check made payable to the School; or (4) a bidder's bond 2 executed by a California admitted surety as defined in Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120, made payable to the School in the form set forth in the contract documents. Each bid must strictly conform with and be responsive to the contract documents as defined in the General Conditions. The School reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding

BIDDING DOCUMENTS: Each bid shall be in accordance with all terms, conditions, plans, specifications, and any other

documents that comprise the bid documents. The DSA *submitted documents* are available on the District's website/Facilities page. The DSA *approved plans and specifications*, addenda, appendices, reports, and forms will be posted and maintained through Quality Bidders Website and will be made available on or before October 5.

SENATE BILL (SB) 854 REQUIREMENTS: Effective July 1, 2014, no general contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal or awarded a contract for a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) pursuant to Labor Code §1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code §1771.1(a)]. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR. Refer to the following DIR Website for further information: www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html.

PREVAILING WAGES: Prevailing wage requirements apply to all public works projects and must be followed per Article 17 of the General Conditions of the Request for Proposals. The applicable prevailing wage determination during construction is the one in effect on the date the GMP is first published in a newspaper of general circulation. Here, the applicable prevailing wage determination for construction services referenced in the published GMP advertisement is 2022-1. The applicable prevailing wage determination for a contract amendment that adds a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for construction services is based on the date the Prime Contractor first published an advertisement for that District defined GMP phase to subcontractors. The first bid advertisement date for each District defined GMP phase shall establish the applicable prevailing wage determination, regardless of how many times the Prime Contractor published an advertisement. That first bid advertisement to subcontractors shall state the applicable prevailing wage determination for construction services for the duration of that District defined GMP phase. Each District defined GMP phase for construction services may have a different prevailing wage determination based on its separate publication of the first bid advertisement date. The following is a link to the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) website to obtain rate information, and any applicable predetermine increases <http://www.dir.ca.gov/opri/dprevagedetermination.htm>.

PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BONDS: Upon award bidder shall provide the required Performance and Payment Bonds be in an amount not less than **ten percent (10%)** of the maximum amount of bid, insurance certificates and any other required documents. In the event of failure to enter into said Contract or provide the necessary documents, said security will be forfeited.

The DISTRICT reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding. No bidder may withdraw any bid for a period of **one hundred twenty (120) calendar days** after the date set for the opening of bids. Separate payment and performance bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the total Contract amount, are required, and shall be provided to the District prior to execution of the Contract and shall be in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. All bonds (Bid, Performance, and Payment) must be issued by a California admitted surety as defined in California Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120.

ADVERTISEMENT DATES: September 22 and 29, 2023.

BID: This project is being bid as "One Bid Package".