

 <p><b>Tri-County Technical College</b>  <b>Invitation to Bid – Amendment 1 Questions &amp; Answers</b></p>	Solicitation Number	TCTC-23-Landscaping
	Date Issued	2/14/2023
	Procurement Officer	Matt Whitten
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DESCRIPTION: **Landscaping Services for all Tri-County Technical College Campuses**

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: **Tri-County Technical College**

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal". Your offer must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior. See "Submitting Your Paper Offer or Modification" provision.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

<b>MAILING ADDRESS:</b> TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURCHASING OFFICE 7900 Highway 76 (parcel post); PO Box 587 (USPS) Pendleton SC 29670-8876	<b>PHYSICAL ADDRESS:</b> TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURCHASING OFFICE – Ruby Hicks Suite 280 7900 Highway 76 Pendleton SC 29670-8876
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SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): **3/16/2023 2:00 PM** (See "Deadline For Submission Of Offer" provision)

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: **2/28/2023 4:00 PM** (See "Questions From Offerors" provision)

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: **One (1) Original**

<b>CONFERENCE TYPE: Pre-Bid Conference – Not Mandatory</b> <b>DATE &amp; TIME: 2/27/2023 at 3:00 PM</b> (As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions)	<b>LOCATION: Tri-County Technical College</b> <b>Ruby Hicks Building Conference Room 220</b> <b>7900 HWY 76, Pendleton, SC 29670</b>
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<b>AWARD &amp; AMENDMENTS</b>	Award will be posted at <a href="http://www.tctc.edu/purchasing">http://www.tctc.edu/purchasing</a> on or before <b>4/7/2023</b> . The award, this solicitation, and any amendments will also be posted on the website above.
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You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By signing, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days after the Opening Date. (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)

<b>NAME OF OFFEROR</b>  <small>(full legal name of business submitting the offer)</small>	Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.
<b>AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE</b>  <small>(Person must be authorized to submit binding offer to contract on behalf of Offeror.)</small>	<b>DATE SIGNED</b>
<b>TITLE</b>  <small>(business title of person signing above)</small>	<b>STATE VENDOR NO.</b>  <small>(Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at <a href="http://www.procurement.sc.gov">www.procurement.sc.gov</a>)</small>
<b>PRINTED NAME</b>  <small>(printed name of person signing above)</small>	<b>STATE OF INCORPORATION</b>  <small>(If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)</small>

<b>OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one)</b>	(See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietorship <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation (tax-exempt) <input type="checkbox"/> Government entity (federal, state, or local)	

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<p><b>HOME OFFICE ADDRESS</b> (Address for offeror's home office / principal place of business)</p>          	<p><b>NOTICE ADDRESS</b> (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)</p>          <p align="right">Area</p> <p>Code - Number - Extension Facsimile</p>   <p align="right">E-mail</p> <p>Address</p>
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<p><b>PAYMENT ADDRESS</b> (Address to which payments will be sent.) (See "Payment" clause)</p>          <p>___ Payment Address same as Home Office Address</p> <p>___ Payment Address same as Notice Address</p> <p align="center"><b>(check only one)</b></p>	<p><b>ORDER ADDRESS</b> (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Purchase Orders and "Contract Documents" clauses)</p>          <p>___ Order Address same as Home Office Address</p> <p>___ Order Address same as Notice Address</p> <p align="center"><b>(check only one)</b></p>
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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS**

Offerors acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue. (See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision)

Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date

<p><b>DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT</b> (See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)</p>	<p>10 Calendar Days (%)</p>	<p>20 Calendar Days (%)</p>	<p>30 Calendar Days (%)</p>	<p>___ Calendar Days (%)</p>
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**PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009):** On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state Subcontractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at [www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences](http://www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences). ***ALL THE PREFERENCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER AWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT. VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCE YOU'VE CLAIMED. IMPROPERLY REQUESTING A PREFERENCE CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES.*** [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)]

**PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE:** Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(i)&(ii)) or the Resident Contractor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)). Accordingly, you must provide this information to qualify for the preference. An in-state office is not required, but can be beneficial, if you are claiming the Resident Subcontractor Preference (11-35-1524(D)).

\_\_\_ In-State Office Address same as Home Office Address \_\_\_ In-State Office Address same as Notice Address  
**(check only one)**

# TCTC-23-Landscaping Amendment #1 – Questions and Answers

## Clarifications to follow Q & A

Posted 3/3/2023 with answers in **RED**

1. Does the amount of mulch provided in the RFP represent the total for both applications or one? (specs by campus pg. 15)

The amounts listed are for 1 application.

2. Confirming that the expectation is that the crew that services the Pendleton Campus is expected to service other sites and maintain 40 hours allocated to the main campus as well. (item q. pg. 15)

The expectation is to have Two (2) laborers and One (1) supervisor dedicated solely to the main Pendleton Campus per section q) on page 15. It will be up to the contractor to manage staffing/crews for all other satellite campus locations.

3. Pendleton Campus 7900 Highway 76 – did not include how many occurrences for the 2500 sq. ft. retention pond. (specs by campus pg. 15)

The retention pond located at the Mechanic Street Pendleton Parking Lot shall be bush hogged 3 times per year.

4. At the Anderson Quick Job Campus is the area along Michelin Blvd. to the South of the entrance a part of the grounds for maintenance? (specs by campus pg. 16)

Yes, the retention pond that is in that area shall be bush hogged 3 times per year.

5. Has the incumbent asked for a price increase during the contract? If so, was it granted? Has pricing remained the same since 2018?

A pricing increase was granted during the current contract. The solicitation clauses regarding price adjustments are found starting on page 27 of the bid document.

Additional items to clarify regarding Scope of Work

1. Please ignore item “s” concerning Fungicide on page 15 under the Services Required and Frequency Intervals section. Pre-emerge will still be required.
2. On page 17 concerning the chemical application schedule, the Lime application amount should state 400lbs/acre in the month of October (49lbs/acre was a typo).