

 <p>Invitation for Bids – Amendment 1</p>	Solicitation Number	TCTC-18-Landscaping
	Date Issued	3/9/18
	Procurement Officer	Kristal Doherty
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DESCRIPTION: **Provide 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 EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:

MAILING ADDRESS: TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURCHASING OFFICE PO Box 587 Pendleton SC 29670-8876	PHYSICAL ADDRESS: TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURCHASING OFFICE 7900 Highway 76, Anderson Hall Room 250 Pendleton SC 29670-8876
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SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): **3/15/2018 2:00 PM** (See "Deadline For Submission Of Offer" provision)

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: **3/08/2018 10:00 AM** (See "Questions From Offerors" provision)

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: **One (1) Original in Hardcopy and One Copy (Marked Copy). Also, One Redacted Copy**

CONFERENCE TYPE: Non Mandatory DATE & TIME: 3/07/18 at 10:00 AM <small>(As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions)</small>	LOCATION: Tri-County Technical College Anderson Hall Event Center (Previously Café), 7900 Hwy 76 Pendleton, SC 29670
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AWARD & AMENDMENTS	Award will be posted at http://www.tctc.edu/purchasing on or around 3/23/2018 . 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.)

NAME OF OFFEROR <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.
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE <small>(Person must be authorized to submit binding offer to contract on behalf of Offeror.)</small>	DATE SIGNED
TITLE <small>(business title of person signing above)</small>	STATE VENDOR NO. <small>(Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov)</small>
PRINTED NAME <small>(printed name of person signing above)</small>	STATE OF INCORPORATION <small>(If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)</small>

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

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HOME OFFICE ADDRESS (Address for offeror's home office / principal place of business)	NOTICE ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)
	_____ Area Code - Number - Extension Facsimile _____ E- mail Address

PAYMENT ADDRESS (Address to which payments will be sent.) (See "Payment" clause)	ORDER ADDRESS (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Purchase Orders and "Contract Documents" clauses)
_____ Payment Address same as Home Office Address _____ Payment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)	_____ Order Address same as Home Office Address _____ Order Address same as Notice Address (check only one)

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

DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)	10 Calendar Days (%)	20 Calendar Days (%)	30 Calendar Days (%)	_____ Calendar Days (%)
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PREFERENCES – Preferences do not apply to this bid.

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (JAN 2004)

(a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: www.procurement.sc.gov (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged. [02-2A005-1]

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS - AMENDMENT (JUN 2017)

THE SOLICITATION IS AMENDED AS PROVIDED HEREIN. INFORMATION OR CHANGES RESULTING FROM QUESTIONS WILL BE SHOWN IN A QUESTION-AND-ANSWER FORMAT. ALL QUESTIONS RECEIVED HAVE BEEN REPRINTED BELOW. THE "STATE'S RESPONSE" SHOULD BE READ WITHOUT REFERENCE TO THE QUESTIONS. THE QUESTIONS ARE INCLUDED SOLELY TO PROVIDE A CROSS-REFERENCE TO THE POTENTIAL OFFEROR THAT SUBMITTED THE QUESTION. QUESTIONS DO NOT FORM A PART OF THE CONTRACT; THE "STATE'S RESPONSE" DOES. ANY RESTATEMENT OF PART OR ALL OF AN EXISTING PROVISION OF THE SOLICITATION IN AN ANSWER DOES NOT MODIFY THE ORIGINAL PROVISION EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS: UNDERLINED TEXT IS ADDED TO THE ORIGINAL PROVISION. STRICKEN TEXT IS DELETED. [02-2A097-1]

Questions and Answers

Question #1 – Can you confirm the campuses do not have living Kudzu? Due to the dormancy, it is very difficult to assess whether any of your campuses has Kudzu until Spring green up. Per the pre-bid meeting, it was suggested you do not have Kudzu. If Spring shows you do have Kudzu, would the panel be open to negotiating a cost to kill/remove any present Kudzu outside of the contract?

Answer: We are not aware of any kudzu located at any of the satellite campuses. In the past have had some on the Pendleton Campus on the north side of Perimeter Road near the north entrance. We cannot guarantee that there is no kudzu at any of our locations. We would not negotiate an additional cost if there is kudzu at any of our locations because kudzu removal/kill needs to be included in the cost of the contract.

Question #2 –

The RFP suggests maintenance to be performed at campuses other than the main campus during days the school is open. Would it be okay to service these properties when the schools are closed to ensure complete service of all areas including normally inhabited parking spaces during school hours?

Answer: The awarded contractor must adhere to the schedule specified in the Scope of Work/Specifications section of the solicitation for picking up trash and blowing down sidewalks. Mowing, pruning and weeding may be done on Friday afternoons or during the weekends at our other campuses as long as the appearance of those campuses is maintained at an acceptable level in regards to grass height, weeds, etc.

Question #3 –

Would the Supervisor (lead) person from the main campus be able to visit the ITC Building property during regular service hours in a management role only (no labor provided just routine inspections)?

Answer: Yes

Question #4 –

Would mulching the grass clippings be acceptable if evidence was shown that proper mulching is healthier for the turf? (smaller carbon footprint)

Answer: This would be conditionally acceptable, meaning during heavy growth times the mulch will only pile up leaving the turf looking ill-kept having it buried in its own clippings. During these conditions it would have to be bagged and removed from the property.