

# Purchasing Department | 1600 Hampton Street, Suite 606 | Columbia, SC 29208 | (803) 777 4115

10:00 AM 08/28/2019	Attention of: Teresa Singleton-Lee	USC-RFQ-3536-TSL	08/16/2019	
Quotation must be received no later than:	Send Quotation to above address at	Solicitation Number:	Posting Date:	

Questions regarding this solicitation must be received no later than <u>08-23-2019 10:00 A.M.</u> Answers to vendor questions will be posted to the Purchasing Department's website in an amendment to the solicitation: <u>purchasing@sc.edu</u>

Please quote your lowest delivered price of the item(s) listed below. The Purchasing Department reserves the right to reject any or all quotes and to waive any or all technicalities.

- 1. All Quotes must be signed by the vendor's representative per the terms noted. Failure to comply with these instructions may result in disqualification of the quote.
- 2. Faxed (803) 777-2032 or E-mailed (singl229@mailbox.sc.edu) Quotes are acceptable and preferred.
- 3. This solicitation conforms to the provisions of Procurement Code Section 11-35-1550.

Vendor Name		
Vendor		
Address		
Phone	E	E-mail
Number		
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	С	Cert No.
Print Name	Si	Signature

Item	Unit	Description of Supplies	Total Price
1	Lot	Rental of Two Haunted House Packages as specified.	\$
		Award will be made to one vendor.	
		Award will be made by complete lot(s).	
		Buyer: Teresa Singleton-Lee E-Mail: singl229@mailbox.sc.edu Phone: 803-777-4115 Fax: 803-777-2032	

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

All amendments to and interpretation of this RFQ shall be in writing. The procurement officer shall not be legally bound by any amendment or interpretation that is not in writing.

Any contract entered into by the University of South Carolina or its agencies resulting from this quotation shall be subject to cancellation at the end of any fiscal or appropriated year unless otherwise provided by law.

Payment will be made in accordance with Section 11-35-45 of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code and Disbursement Regulations. Delay in receiving invoices, as well as errors and omissions on the invoices, will be considered just cause for withholding payment without losing discount privileges. The University reserves the right to withhold payment or make such deductions as may be necessary to protect the University from loss or damage because of defective work, claims, damages, or to pay for repair of correction of materials furnished hereunder.

Unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated. Quoted prices must remain firm for a period of thirty (30) days beyond the RFQ deadline.

All materials and products offered must be guaranteed to meet and comply with the requirements of all specifications, terms, and conditions indicated in this solicitation.

Award will be made in accordance with Section 11-35-1550 of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code.

The University reserves the right to: (1) reject any and all quotations and to cancel the solicitation; (2) waive any and all technicalities; (3) reject any quotation in which the delivery time indicated is of substantial length to cause disruption and/or delay in operation for which the item(s) is/are intended; (4) reject ambiguous quotations which are uncertain as to terms, delivery, quantity, or compliance with specifications.

Contractor assumes sole responsibility and shall hold harmless the University of South Carolina, its directors, officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all claims, actions, or liabilities of any nature which may be asserted against them by third parties in connection with the performance of the successful bidder, its directors, officers, employees, and agents under this agreement. The University of South Carolina agrees to accept responsibility for claims, actions, or liabilities resulting from negligent acts of its employees occurring within the scope of their employment which may be asserted against them by third parties in connection with the performance of the University of South Carolina, its members, directors, officers, employees, and agents under this agreement.

Contractor agrees not to refer to award of this contract in commercial advertising in such a manner to state or imply that the products or service provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.

Upon award of a contract under this solicitation, the person, partnership, association, or corporation to whom the award is made must comply with the laws of South Carolina that require such person or entity to be authorized and/or licensed to do business in this State. Notwithstanding the fact that applicable statutes may be exempt or exclude the successful offeror from requirements that it be authorized and/or licensed to do business in this signed quote, the quoter agrees to subject itself to the jurisdiction and process of the courts of the State of South Carolina as to all matters and disputes arising or to arise under the contract and the performance thereof, including any questions as to the liability for taxes, licenses, or fees levied by the State.

The University of South Carolina requires all contractual activities to be performed in a manner that is consistent with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, rulings, and ordinances. These include, but are not limited to: the Occupational safety and Health Act, The Environmental Protection Act, The South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Act.

# **SCOPE OF WORK / SPECIFICATIONS**

ACQUIRE SERVICES & SUPPLIES / EQUIPMENT (JAN 2006): The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services and supplies or equipment complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions.

It is the intent of the University of South Carolina to solicit bids from qualified source to provide rental of two (2) haunted house packages to include a Halloween Village to be located at the Blatt P.E. Center as described in the specifications below on the University of South Carolina Columbia Campus.

**DELIVERY / PERFORMANCE LOCATION – PURCHASE ORDER (JAN 2006):** After award, all deliveries shall be made and all services provided to the location specified by the Using Governmental Unit in its purchase order.

# SPECIFICATIONS

### Schedule: Rental for One Day, October 31, 2019

- 2 Haunted House packages for 2 distinct rooms within the Blatt PE Center at the University of South Carolina Columbia Campus
  - Each haunted house must fit in a minimum area of 40 ft. x 40 ft. with 12 ft. of height clearance
  - Each haunted house is to include costumes, props and decoration and lights
  - USC will provide actors for each haunted house package
  - Halloween Village (to create after-party environment once students have completed the Haunted House) to include the following:
    - o 6 Halloween Carnival Games
    - Halloween Photo Booth
    - o 2 Halloween Novelty Events
    - o Music
    - Halloween Decorations
- Contract inclusive of travel and lodging
- USC will provide access to power no less than 5 hours before the start of the event
  - 3 separate15 amp circuits available

Note: NO UNAPPROVED SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED

## 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 <u>www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences</u>. 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)). **PREFERENCES - RESIDENT CONTRACTOR PREFERENCE (SEP 2009):** To qualify for the RCP, you must maintain an office in this state. An office is a nonmobile place for the regular transaction of business or performance of a particular service which has been operated as such by the bidder for at least one year before the bid opening and during that year the place has been staffed for at least fifty weeks by at least two employees for at least thirty five hours a week each. In addition, you must, at the time you submit your bid, directly employ, or have a documented commitment with, individuals domiciled in South Carolina that will perform services expressly required by the solicitation and your total direct labor cost for those individuals to provide those services must exceed fifty percent of your total bid price. [11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)] Upon request by the procurement officer, you must identify the persons domiciled in South Carolina that will perform the services involved in the procurement upon which you rely in qualifying for the preference, the services those individuals are to perform, and documentation of the your labor cost for each person identified. If requested, your failure to provide this information promptly will be grounds to deny the preference (and, potentially, for other enforcement action).

PREFERENCES - RESIDENT SUBCONTRACTOR PREFERENCE (SEP 2009): To qualify for this preference, You must meet the following requirements. (1) You must -- at the time you submit your bid -have a documented commitment from a single proposed first tier subcontractor to perform some portion of the services expressly required by the solicitation. (2) The subcontractor -- at the time you submit your bid -- must directly employ, or have a documented commitment with, individuals domiciled in South Carolina that will perform services expressly required by the solicitation and the total direct labor cost to the subcontractor for those individuals to provide those services exceeds, as applicable, either twenty percent for a 2% preference or forty percent of bidder's total bid price for a 4% preference. (3) You must identify the subcontractor that will perform the work, the work the subcontractor is to perform, and your factual basis for concluding that the subcontractor's work constitutes the required percentage of the work to be performed in the procurement. [11-35-1524(D)] You can stack this preference, i.e., earn another 2% or 4% preference for each additional qualifying subcontractor, but the preference is capped. [11-35-1524(D)(4), (E)(7)] Upon request by the procurement officer, you must identify the persons domiciled in South Carolina that are to perform the services involved in the procurement upon which you rely in qualifying for the preference, the services those individuals are to perform, the employer of those persons, your relationship with the employer, and documentation of the subcontractor's labor cost for each person identified. If requested, your failure to provide this information promptly will be grounds to deny the preference (and, potentially, for other enforcement action). YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE PREFERENCE UNLESS YOU SPECIFY WHETHER YOUR ARE CLAIMING THE 2% OR 4% PREFERENCE AND YOU PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY ITEM (3) ABOVE.

## PREFERENCES – RESIDENT VENDOR PREFERENCE (SEP 2009)

To qualify for the RVP, you must maintain an office in this state. An office is a nonmobile place for the regular transaction of business or performance of a particular service which has been operated as such by the bidder for at least one year before the bid opening and during that year the place has been staffed for at least fifty weeks by at least two employees for at least thirty five hours a week each. In addition, you must either: (1) maintain at a location in South Carolina at the time of the bid an inventory of expendable items which are representative of the general type of commodities for which the award will be made and which have a minimum total value, based on the bid price, equal to the lesser of fifty thousand dollars [\$50,000] or the annual amount of the contract; or (2) be a manufacturer headquartered and having an annual payroll of at least one million dollars in South Carolina and the end product being sold is either made or processed from raw materials into a finished end product by that manufacturer or its affiliate (as defined in Section 1563 of the Internal Revenue Code).

# PREFERENCES – BID SCHEDULE

All preferences must be claimed by initialing in the space provided in the bid schedule. Preferences are applied by line item whether the award is to be made by line item or lot. If you request a preference, you are certifying that your offer qualifies for the preference you have claimed. If you qualify for a preference but do not request it, you are not entitled to receive preference applications per 11-35-1524.

**PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS (FEB 2015):** Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law. (a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. [R. 19-445.2010] (b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donations to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the Using Governmental Unit during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date. [R. 19-445.2165] [02-2A087-1]

**OFFERING BY LOT (JAN 2006):** Offers may be submitted for one or more complete lots. Failure to offer on all items within a lot will be reason for rejection.

QUALITY – NEW (JAN 2006): All items must be new. [03-3060-1]

**REJECTION/CANCELLATION (JAN 2004):** The State may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The State may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part. [SC Code Section 11-35-1710 & R.19- 445.2065]

**SHIPPING / RISK OF LOSS:** FOB Destination. Destination is the shipping dock of the University of South Carolina's designated receiving site, or other location, as specified herein.

**STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS (JAN 2004):** If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that offers cannot be received at the government office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If state offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <a href="http://www.scemd.org/closings">http://www.scemd.org/closings</a>

**SUBSTITUTIONS PROHIBITED – END PRODUCT PREFERENCE (SEP 2009):** If you receive the award as a result of the South Carolina end product or United States end product preference, you may not substitute a nonqualifying end product for a qualified end product. If you violate this provision, the state may terminate your contract for cause and you may be debarred. In addition, you shall pay to the State an amount equal to twice the difference between the price paid by the State and your evaluated price for the item for which you delivered a substitute.

**VENDOR IDENTIFICATION:** The University must have your Federal ID Number (company) or Social Security Number (individual) before processing any invoices for payment. Failure to provide this information will result in delay of payments until this information is received. Please include this information with your quote.

**WARRANTY – STANDARD (JAN 2006):** Contractor must provide the manufacture's standard written warranty upon delivery of product. Contractor warrants that manufacturer will honor the standard written warranty provided.

# PLEASE COMPLETE: MINORITY PARTICIPATION (JAN 2006)

Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  NO Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  NO If so, please list the certifying governmental entity:

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  NO

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  NO

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  NO

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  NO

If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:

- □ Traditional minority
- □ Traditional minority, but female
- □ Women (Caucasian females)
- □ Hispanic minorities
- DOT referral (Traditional minority)
- DOT referral (Caucasian female)
- □ Temporary certification
- □ SBA 8 (a) certification referral
- □ Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)

(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.)

# **BID SCHEDULE**

### RECOMMENDATIONS

INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS OF RFQ'S TO SUBMIT:

- a. Page 1
- b. Bidding Schedule
- c. MINORITY PARTICIPATION (JAN 2006) page

#### DO NOT INCLUDE:

- a. Do not include a copy of the solicitation.
- b. Do not include a copy of any amendment(s) to the solicitation.
- c. Do not include any of your company's standard contract forms or other legal documents.
- d. Do not include any exceptions to the solicitation's terms and conditions or specifications.
- e. Do not include any additional boilerplate contract clauses, unless requested.

Instructions regarding how to acknowledge an amendment should appear in all amendments issued.

By signing the Cover Page, you agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation.

### USC-RFQ-3536-TSL

### (Lot)

ltem	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Description	Total
1	1	Lot	2 Haunted House Packages	\$

Resident Contractor Preference

2% Resident Subcontractor Preference \_ 4% Resident Subcontractor Preference

Number of Subcontractors \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Subcontractors

## NOTE:

All preferences must be claimed by initialing in the space(s) for each lot provided above. Identify the number of subcontractors to be used in the space(s) provided above, if applicable. If you request a preference, you are certifying that your offer qualifies for the preference you have claimed. Please refer to the preference clauses listed in this solicitation to ensure that you qualify to select the above preferences. Bidder is to submit the following information in a separate document for the subcontractor preferences requested:

1) Identify the subcontractor to perform the work.

2) Identify the work the subcontractor is to perform.

3) Bidder's factual basis for concluding that the subcontractor's work constitutes the required percentage of the work to be performed in the procurement.