



Boone County Purchasing
601 E. Walnut, Room 209
Columbia, MO 65201

Request for Bid (RFB)

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Bid Data

Bid Number: **41-16JUN05**
Commodity Title: **Jury Transportation Services Term & Supply**

DIRECT BID FORMAT OR SUBMISSION QUESTIONS TO THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Bid Submission Address and Deadline

Day / Date: **THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2005**
Time: **10:30 A.M. (Bids received after this time will be returned unopened)**
Location / Mail Address: **Boone County Purchasing Department
Boone County Johnson Building
601 E. Walnut, Room 208
Columbia, MO 65201**
Directions: The Johnson Building is located on the Northeast corner at 6th Street and Walnut Street. Enter the building from the East Side. Wheel chair accessible entrance is available on the West side of the building.

Bid Opening

Day / Date: **THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2005**
Time: **10:30 A.M. C.S.T.**
Location / Address: **Boone County Johnson Building Conference Room
601 E. Walnut, Room 213
Columbia, MO 65201**

Bid Contents

- 1.0: **Introduction and General Conditions of Bidding**
- 2.0: **Primary Specifications**
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Standard Terms and Conditions**

1. Introduction and General Conditions of Bidding

- 1.1. **INVITATION** - The County of Boone, through its Purchasing Department, invites responses, which offer to provide the goods and/or services identified on the title page, and described in greater detail in Section 2.
- 1.2. **DEFINITIONS**
- 1.2.1. **County** - This term refers to the County of Boone, a duly organized public entity. It may also be used as a pronoun for various subsets of the County organization, including, as the context will indicate:
Purchasing - The Purchasing Department, including its Purchasing Director and staff.
Department(s) or Office(s) - The County Department(s) or Office(s) for which this Bid is prepared, and which will be the end user(s) of the goods and/or services sought.
Designee - The County employee(s) assigned as your primary contact(s) for interaction regarding Contract performance.
- 1.2.2. **Bidder / Contractor / Supplier** - These terms refer generally to businesses having some sort of relationship to or with us. The term may apply differently to different classes of entities, as the context will indicate.
Bidder - Any business entity submitting a response to this Bid. Suppliers, which may be invited to respond, or which express interest in this bid, but which do not submit a response, have no obligations with respect to the bid requirements.
Contractor - The Bidder whose response to this bid is found by Purchasing to meet the best interests of the County. The Contractor will be selected for award, and will enter into a Contract for provision of the goods and/or services described in the Bid.
Supplier - All business(s) entities which may provide the subject goods and/or services.
- 1.2.3. **Bid** - This entire document, including attachments. A Bid may be used to solicit various kinds of information. The kind of information this Bid seeks is indicated by the title appearing at the top of the first page. A "Request for Bid" is used when the need is well defined. A "Request for Proposal" is used when the County will consider solutions, which may vary significantly from each other or from the County's initial expectations.
- 1.2.4. **Response** - The written, sealed document submitted according to the Bid instructions.
- 1.3. **BID CLARIFICATION** - Questions regarding this Bid should be directed in writing, by e-mail or fax, to the Purchasing Department. Answers, citing the question asked but not identifying the questioner, will be distributed simultaneously to all known prospective Bidders in the form of an addendum. We strongly suggest that you check for any addenda a minimum of [forty eight] hours in advance of the bid deadline. Bids, addendums, bid tabulations and bid awards are posted on our web site at: www.showmeboone.com
 Note: written requirements in the Bid or its Amendments are binding, but any oral communications between County and Bidder are not.
- 1.3.1. **Bidder Responsibility** - The Bidder is expected to be thoroughly familiar with all specifications and requirements of this Bid. Bidder's failure or omission to examine any relevant form, article, site or document will not relieve them from any obligation regarding this Bid. By submitting a Response, Bidder is presumed to concur with all terms, conditions and specifications of this Bid.
- 1.3.2. **Bid Amendment** - If it becomes evident that this Bid must be amended, the Purchasing Department will issue a formal written Amendment to all known prospective Bidders. If necessary, a new due date will be established.
- 1.4. **AWARD** - Award will be made to the Bidder(s) whose offer(s) provide the greatest value to the County from the standpoint of suitability to purpose, quality, service, previous experience, price, lifecycle cost, ability to deliver, or for any other reason deemed by Purchasing to be in the best interest of the County. Thus, the result will not be determined by price alone. The County will be seeking the least costly outcome that meets the County needs as interpreted by the County. The County reserves the right to award this bid on an item by item basis, or an "all or none" basis, whichever is in the best interest of the County.
- 1.5. **CONTRACT EXECUTION** - This Bid and the Contractor's Response will be made part of any resultant Contract and will be incorporated in the Contract as set forth, verbatim.
- 1.5.1. **Precedence** - In the event of contradictions or conflicts between the provisions of the documents comprising this Contract, they will be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:
 1) the provisions of the Contract (as it may be amended);
 2) the provisions of the Bid;
 3) the provisions of the Bidder's Response.
- 1.6. **CONTRACT PERIOD** - The Term and Supply Contract period shall be from Date of Award through June 30, 2006 and may be automatically renewed for up to an additional two (2) one-year periods unless canceled by the Purchasing Director in writing prior to a renewal term.
- 1.7. **COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS** - Bidder agrees to be bound by the County's standard "boilerplate" terms and conditions for Contracts, a sample of which is attached to this Bid.

2. Primary Specifications

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- 2.1. **ITEMS TO BE PROVIDED** - Boone County, hereafter referred to as "County", proposes to contract with an individual(s) or organization(s), hereinafter referred to as "Contractor" for a Term and Supply contract for the furnishing of transportation services as needed for sequestered jurors for Boone County and as specified in the following requirements.
- 2.1.1. **Quantity** – The County does not guarantee a minimum amount of usage. Services shall be provided on an as needed, if needed basis.
- 2.2. **CONTRACT DURATION** - The contract shall be effective from Date of Award through June 30, 2006. This contract is subject to renew annually for two (2) additional one (1) year periods following expiration of the first contract period. Prices are subject to adjustment thereafter, effective on the renewal date, and must remain firm through the end of the renewal period.
- 2.2.1. **Contract Extension** - The County Purchasing Director may exercise the option to extend the contract on a month to month basis for a maximum of 6 months from the date of termination if it is deemed to be in the best interest of Boone County.
- 2.2.2. **Contract Documents** - The successful bidder(s) shall be obligated to enter into a written contract with the County within 30 days of award on contract forms provided by the County. If bidders desire to contract under their own written agreement, any such proposed agreement shall be submitted in blank with their bid. County reserves the right to modify any proposed form agreement or withdraw its award to a successful bidder if any proposed agreement contains terms and conditions inconsistent with its bid or are unacceptable to county legal counsel.
- 2.3. **MINIMUM CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS**
- 2.3.1. The contractor must have an efficient method of dispatching ride requests. The method utilized must be capable of handling advanced reservations and requests for immediate service. The dispatch service must be able to receive and confirm requests in written form, either via facsimile or e-mail.
- 2.3.2. Drivers employed by the transportation firm must have a current Missouri driver's license and shall comply with the following:
- 2.3.2.1. Drivers shall have no revocations of their driver's licenses in the past five (5) years and no moving violations or accidents in the past three (3) years.
- 2.3.2.2. Drivers shall not use alcohol and drugs while on duty and shall not abuse such at any time. Drivers shall not smoke while on duty or in the presence of clients.
- 2.3.2.3. Drivers shall provide necessary assistance to clients including, but not necessarily limited to, assistance getting in and out of vehicle and storage of bags.
- 2.3.3. Transportation services shall be required to transport jurors from outside Boone County to a specified location within Boone County as well as transport from within Boone County back to a specified location outside Boone County.
- 2.3.4. Transportation services may be required at any time during the day or night, seven (7) days per week. The contractor must be on-call and available to pick up jurors at any time as needed.
- 2.3.5. The contractor's vehicle must be capable of transporting a minimum of 18 passengers at one time as well as luggage.
- 2.3.6. The contractor's vehicle must be equipped with the following:
- 2.3.6.1. Properly working heating and air conditioning.
- 2.3.6.2. Accessible seat belts for all passengers.
- 2.3.6.3. Ability to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- 2.3.6.4. Clean passenger compartments that are free of dirt and litter, torn upholstery or floor/ceiling material, and broken seats.
- 2.3.7. The contractor shall agree and understand that the County reserves the right to cancel at any time with no monetary obligation on the part of the County.
- 2.4. **BID SUBMITTAL INFORMATION**
- 2.4.1. Bidders must submit the following information with their bid response:
- 2.4.1.1. Normal response time after notification by the County.
- 2.4.1.2. Bidders should state their policy or operational limitations which could affect availability.
- 2.4.1.3. Bidders should state what licenses their drivers maintain.

- 2.5. **BILLING AND PAYMENT** – The contractor shall submit an invoice to the Boone County Court Administration Office upon completion of services at the firm, fixed price per mile stated on the Response Form.
- 2.6. **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS** - The Contractor shall not commence work under this Contract until they have obtained all insurance required under this paragraph and the County has approved such insurance. All policies shall be in amounts, form, and companies satisfactory to the County. The County must carry an A-6 or better rating as listed in the A.M. Best or Equivalent Rating Guide.
- 2.6.1. **Compensation Insurance** – Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract, **Employee’s Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance** for all of their employees employed at the site of work, and in case any work is sublet, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor similarly to provide Worker’s Compensation Insurance for all of the latter’s employees unless such employees are covered by the protection afforded by the Contractor. Worker’s Compensation coverage shall meet Missouri statutory limits. Employers’ Liability limits shall be \$500,000.00 each employee, \$500,000.00 each accident, and \$500,000.00 policy limit. In case any class of employees engaged in hazardous work under this Contract at the site of the work is not protected under the Worker’s Compensation Statute, the Contractor shall provide and shall cause each subcontractor to provide Employers’ Liability Insurance for the protection of their employees not otherwise protected.
- 2.6.2. **Comprehensive General Liability Insurance** - The Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract, such comprehensive general liability insurance as shall protect them from claims for damages for personal injury including accidental death, as well as from claims for property damages, which may arise from operations under this contract, whether such operations be by themselves or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by them. The amounts of insurance shall be not less than \$2,000,000.00 per project limit for any one occurrence covering both bodily injury and property damage, including accidental death. If the Contract involves any underground/digging operations, the general liability certificate shall include X, C, and U (Explosion, Collapse, and Underground) coverage. If providing Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, then the Proof of Coverage of Insurance shall also be included. **Proof of Coverage of Insurance** - The Contractor shall furnish the County with Certificate(s) of Insurance which name **the County of Boone – Missouri as additional insured** in an amount as required in this contract and requiring a thirty (30) day mandatory cancellation notice. In addition, such insurance shall be on an occurrence basis and shall remain in effect until such time as the County has made final acceptance of the project.
- 2.6.3. **Commercial Automobile Liability** – The Contractor shall maintain during the life of this contract, automobile liability insurance in the amount of not less than \$2,000,000.00 combined single limit for any one occurrence, covering both bodily injury, including accidental death, and property damage, to protect themselves from any and all claims arising from the use of the Contractor’s own automobiles, teams and trucks; hired automobiles, teams and trucks; and both on and off the site of work.
- 2.6.4. The Contractor has the option to provide **Owner’s Contingent or Protective Liability and Property Damage** instead of the **Comprehensive General Liability Insurance**- The Contractor shall provide the County with proof of Owner’s Protective Liability and Property Damage Insurance with the County as named insured, which shall protect the County against any and all claims which might arise as a result of the operations of the Contractor in fulfilling the terms of this contract during the life of the Contract. The minimum amounts of such insurance will be \$2,000,000.00 per occurrence, combined single limits. Limits can be satisfied by using a combination of primary and excess coverages. Should any work be subcontracted, these limits will also apply.
- 2.6.5. **Proof of Coverage of Insurance** - The Contractor shall furnish the County with Certificate(s) of Insurance which name **the County of Boone – Missouri as additional insured** in an amount as required in this contract and requiring a thirty (30) day mandatory cancellation notice. In addition, such insurance shall be on an occurrence basis and shall remain in effect until such time as the County has made final acceptance of the project.
- 2.6.6. **Indemnity Agreement** - To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the County of Boone, its directors, officers, agents, and employees from and against all claims arising by reason of any act or failure to act, negligent or otherwise, of Contractor,

(meaning anyone, including but not limited to consultants having a contract with Contractor or subcontractor for part of the services), of anyone directly or indirectly employed by contractor, or of anyone for whose acts the Contractor may be liable, in connection with providing these services. This provision does not, however, require Contractor to indemnify, hold harmless or defend the County of Boone from its own negligence.

2.7. **DESIGNEE** - Boone County Court Administration, 705 E. Walnut, Columbia, MO 65201.

2.8. **BID CLARIFICATION** - Any questions or clarifications concerning bid documents should be addressed to Heather Turner, CPPB, Buyer, 601 E. Walnut, Room 209, Columbia, Missouri 65201. Telephone (573) 886-4392 Fax (573) 886-4390, E-mail: hturner@boonecountymo.org.

3. Response Presentation and Review

- 3.1. **RESPONSE CONTENT** - In order to enable direct comparison of competing Responses, you must submit your Response in strict conformity to the requirements stated here. Failure to adhere to all requirements may result in your Response being disqualified as non-responsive. All Responses must be submitted using the provided Response Sheet. Every question must be answered and if not applicable, the section must contain "N/A" or "No Bid". Manufacturer's published specifications for the items requested shall be included with the response.
- 3.2. **SUBMITTAL OF RESPONSES** - Responses MUST be received by the date and time noted on the title page under "Bid Submission Information and Deadline". **Note: Bid Submission and Bid Opening times are different. NO EXCEPTIONS.** We are not responsible for late or incorrect deliveries from the US Postal Service or any other mail carrier.
 - 3.2.1. **Submittal Package** - Submit, to the location specified on the title page, **three (3) complete copies** of your Response in a single sealed envelope, clearly marked on the outside with your company name and return address, the proposal number and the due date and time.
 - 3.2.2. **Advice of Award** - A Bid Tabulation of responses received as well as Award status can be viewed at www.showmeboone.com.
- 3.3. **BID OPENING** - On the date and time and at the location specified on the title page under "Bid Opening", all Responses will be opened in public. Brief summary information from each will be read aloud.
 - 3.3.1. **Removal from Vendor Database** - If any prospective Bidder currently in our Vendor Database to whom the Bid was sent elects not to submit a Response and fails to reply in writing stating reasons for not bidding, that Bidder's name may be removed from our database. Other reasons for removal include unwillingness or inability to show financial responsibility, reported poor performance, unsatisfactory service, or repeated inability to meet delivery requirements.
- 3.4. **RESPONSE CLARIFICATION** - We reserve the right to request additional written or oral information from Bidders in order to obtain clarification of their Responses.
 - 3.4.1. **Rejection or Correction of Responses** - We reserve the right to reject any or all Responses. Minor irregularities or informalities in any Response which are immaterial or inconsequential in nature, and are neither affected by law nor at substantial variance with Bid conditions, may be waived at our discretion whenever it is determined to be in the County's best interest.
- 3.5. **EVALUATION PROCESS** - Our sole purpose in the evaluation process is to determine from among the Responses received which one is best suited to meet the County's needs at the lowest possible cost. Any final analysis or weighted point score does not imply that one Bidder is superior to another, but simply that in our judgment the Contractor selected appears to offer the best overall solution for our current and anticipated needs at the lowest possible cost.
 - 3.5.1. **Method of Evaluation** - We will evaluate submitted responses in relation to all aspects of this Bid.
 - 3.5.2. **Acceptability** - We reserve the sole right to determine whether goods and/or services offered are acceptable for our use.
 - 3.5.3. In the event of a discrepancy between a unit price and an extended line item price, the unit price shall govern.
 - 3.5.4. **Endurance of Pricing** - Your pricing must be held until contract execution or 60 days, whichever comes first.
 - 3.5.5. Boone County reserves the right to reject all bids. Boone County reserves the right to waive informalities in bids.

4. **Response Form**

4.1. Company Name: _____

4.2. Address: _____

4.3. City/Zip: _____

4.4. Phone Number: _____

4.5. Fax Number: _____

4.6. Federal Tax ID: _____

- 4.6.1. Corporation
- Partnership - Name _____
- Individual/Proprietorship - Individual Name _____
- Other (Specify) _____

4.7. **Pricing**

Item #	Description
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4.7.1.	Price Per Mile	\$ _____	firm, fixed price per mile
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4.8. Maximum Percentage Increase for _____ % 2nd Year; _____ % 3rd Year.

4.9. **The undersigned offers to furnish and deliver the articles or services as specified at the prices and terms stated and in strict accordance with the specifications, instructions and general conditions of bidding which have been read and understood, and all of which are made part of this order.**

4.9.1. Authorized Representative (Sign By Hand):

4.9.2. Type or Print Signed Name:

4.9.3. Today's Date: _____

4.10. Will you honor the submitted prices for purchase by other entities in Boone County who participate in cooperative purchasing with Boone County, Missouri?
_____ Yes _____ No



Standard Terms and Conditions

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1. Responses shall include all charges for packing, delivery, installation, etc., (unless otherwise specified) to the Boone County Department identified in the Request for Bid and/or Proposal.
2. The Boone County Commission has the right to accept or reject any part or parts of all bids, to waive technicalities, and to accept the offer the County Commission considers the most advantageous to the County. Boone County reserves the right to award this bid on an item by item basis, or an “all or none” basis, whichever is in the best interest of the County.
3. Bidders must use the bid forms provided for the purpose of submitting bids, must return the bid and bid sheets comprised in this bid, give the unit price, extended totals, and sign the bid.
4. When products or materials of any particular producer or manufacturer are mentioned in our specifications, such products or materials are intended to be descriptive of type or quality and not restricted to those mentioned.
5. Do not include Federal Excise Tax or Sales and Use Taxes in bid process, as law exempts the County from them.
6. The delivery date shall be stated in definite terms, as it will be taken into consideration in awarding the bid.
7. The County Commission reserves the right to cancel all or any part of orders if delivery is not made or work is not started as guaranteed. In case of delay, the Contractor must notify the Purchasing Department.
8. In case of default by the Contractor, the County of Boone will procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the Bidder responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
9. Failure to deliver as guaranteed shall disqualify Bidder from future bidding.
10. Prices must be as stated in units of quantity specified, and must be firm. Bids qualified by escalator clauses may not be considered unless specified in the bid specifications.
11. No bid transmitted by fax machine will be accepted.
12. The County of Boone, Missouri expressly denies responsibility for, or ownership of any item purchased until same is delivered to the County and is accepted by the County.
13. In the event of a discrepancy between a unit price and an extended line item price, the unit price shall govern.



“No Bid” Response Form

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“NO BID RESPONSE FORM”

NOTE: COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO SUBMIT A BID

If you do not wish to respond to this bid request, but would like to remain on the Boone County vendor list for this service/commodity, please remove form and return to the Purchasing Department by mail or fax.

If you would like to FAX this “No Bid” Response Form to our office, the FAX number is (573) 886-4390.

Bid: 41-16JUN05

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Contact: _____

Date: _____

Reason(s) for not bidding:

