



Boone County Purchasing
601 E. Walnut, Room 208
Columbia, MO 65201

Request for Bid (RFB)

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Bid Data

Bid Number: **63-18NOV08**

Commodity Title: **Juror Accommodations Term & Supply**

DIRECT BID FORMAT OR SUBMISSION QUESTIONS TO THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Bid Submission Address and Deadline

Day / Date: **TUESDAY, November 18, 2008**

Time: **10:30 A.M. Central Time (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: **TUESDAY, November 18, 2008**

Time: **10:30 A.M. Central Time**

Location / Address: **Boone County Johnson Building Conference Room
601 E. Walnut, Room 213
Columbia, MO 65201**

Bid Contents

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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.
- 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 Addendum** - If it becomes evident that this Bid must be amended, the Purchasing Department will issue a formal written Addendum 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, previous County contract compliance 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 December 31, 2009** and may be **automatically renewed for up to an additional four (4) 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

- 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 **hotel accommodations** 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 December 31, 2009. This contract is subject to renew annually for four (4) 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 six months from the date of termination if it is deemed to be in the best interest of Boone County, except as set out in Section 3.5.6.
 - 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's facility must be physically located within the city limits of Columbia, Missouri.
 - 2.3.2. The contractor must provide 18 sleeping rooms separated from the rest of the hotel rooms and guests. These rooms can either be in a separate wing, on a separate floor, or grouped together at the end of a hallway. The rooms must be located above ground level and must have no outside entrances. The contractor must offer a selection of smoking and non-smoking rooms in this group.
 - 2.3.3. The sleeping rooms must be single occupancy rooms. Each room must have its own separate bathroom.
 - 2.3.4. The television, radio, any reading material, and all phones must be removed from 16 of the 18 sleeping rooms prior to guest arrival (see Section 2.3.5, below).
 - 2.3.5. Two (2) of the sleeping rooms must be located at each end of the remaining group of 16. These two (2) rooms must each contain two (2) phones as well as a television, radio, and reading material.
 - 2.3.6. The contractor must insure that all sleeping rooms are clean upon check-in and receive daily maid service.
 - 2.3.7. The contractor must provide sleeping rooms that are clean, neat, and insect free. Carpet and fixtures must be without stains or disrepair. The air conditioning/heating units must be in good working order.
- 2.4. **BID SUBMITTAL INFORMATION**
 - 2.4.1. Bidders should submit a floor plan with the areas jurors are to be placed highlighted. The County reserves the right to inspect the facility prior to award to ensure compliance with the bid specifications.
- 2.5. **BILLING AND PAYMENT** – The contractor must submit a complete invoice upon completion of the service. A complete invoice shall include a complete itemized breakdown of the room cost per juror. Failure to submit a complete invoice may result in a delay of payment until a correct invoice is received. **NOTE: County will not be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by room occupants.**
- 2.6. **DESIGNEE** - Boone County Court Administration, 705 E. Walnut Street, Columbia, MO 65201.

2.7. **BID CLARIFICATION** - Any questions or clarifications concerning bid documents should be addressed to Melinda Bobbitt, CPPB, Director of Purchasing, 601 E. Walnut, Room 208, Columbia, Missouri 65201. Telephone (573) 886-4391 Fax (573) 886-4390, E-mail: mbobbitt@boonecountymo.org.

2.8. **AWARD OF CONTRACT:**
The County reserves the right to award to one or multiple respondents. Multiple awards may be made on the basis of a primary, secondary, and tertiary supplier. The primary supplier shall furnish the County's requirements unless a scheduling conflict occurs. In the event the primary supplier cannot meet the needs of the County, the County shall seek performance from the secondary supplier, then tertiary supplier. The County's decision will be based upon the ability of the primary source to supply acceptable goods or services within the County's time requirements. The County's decision to utilize the secondary and tertiary sources shall be final and conclusive. In addition, the resulting contract from this RFP will be considered "Non-Exclusive". The County reserves the right to purchase juror accommodations from other suppliers.

2.8.1. The County of Boone reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids in the best interest of the County.

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".
- 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". NO EXCEPTIONS. We are not responsible for late or incorrect deliveries from the US Postal Service or any other mail carrier or method of delivery.
 - 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 bid 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. **Discrepancies** - 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. **Reservation of Rights** - Boone County reserves the right to reject all bids. Boone County reserves the right to waive informalities in bids.
 - 3.5.6. **Cancellation by Contractor:** The Contract may be cancelled by Contractor upon 30 days advance written notice to the Purchasing Department. If, at the time of cancellation, County has reserved rooms which will be affected by the cancellation, said notice of cancellation shall serve as authorization to the Purchasing Department will purchase hotel accommodations elsewhere and charge full increase in cost and handling to Contractor.
 - 3.5.7. **Default by Contractor:** Default in promised block of rooms (without accepted reasons) or failure to meet specifications, authorizes the Purchasing Department to purchase hotel accommodations elsewhere and charge full increase in cost and handling to defaulting contractor.

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

Rooms

- 4.7.1. Single Occupancy Rooms Monday through Thursday \$ _____
- 4.7.2. Single Occupancy Rooms Friday through Saturday \$ _____
- 4.7.3. Single Occupancy Rooms Friday through Saturday on high event weekends \$ _____

4.7.4. Number of rooms required to meet specifications (see Section 2.3.2.) _____
 (This is the maximum number of rooms for which the County will be charged, absent a specific request for additional rooms, even if Contractor must remove additional rooms from its rental inventory in order to meet the contract specifications.)

4.7.5. Cancellation of room reservations: Describe your policy regarding the time by which a room reservation can be cancelled without being charged for that night:

4.7.6. Will a different policy apply to the County: _____ Yes _____ No
 If yes, please specify:

4.7.7. What is your policy regarding check-out time?

4.7.8. Will a different policy apply to the County? _____ Yes _____ No
 If yes, please specify:

Note: Flexibility in room cancellation will be a factor in the award of bid, due to the unpredictability of jury scheduling.

4.7.9. Additional Charges Not Set Out Above (Specify):

4.8. Maximum Percentage Increase or Decrease for Renewal Periods:

_____ % 1st Renewal (through 6/30/10)
_____ % 2nd Renewal (through 6/30/11)
_____ % 3rd Renewal (through 6/30/12)
_____ % 4th Renewal (through 6/30/13)

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



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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.

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Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Contact: _____

Date: _____

Reason(s) for not bidding:

