

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
5988
SAFETY AND SECURITY CONSULTING

The Seattle Housing Authority (SHA) is seeking proposals from qualified consultants to provide comprehensive research and assessments to develop and identify strategies per community for tailored needs regarding increased security.

Pre-Submission Conference: SHA will hold a virtual Pre-Submission Conference on **Monday, October 7th, 2024, at 11:00 am.**

To attend the Pre-Submission Conference via MS Teams, join the following link:

Microsoft Teams

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If you need the link emailed, please e-mail Johnny Le, Contract Administrator at purchasing@seattlehousing.org and you will be sent an invitation to join.

Obtaining the RFP: Visit our website at [Do business with us | Seattle Housing Authority](#) to obtain a copy of the RFP. Any addenda issued for this RFP will be published at the above-referenced website and proposers are responsible for checking the website prior to submission of proposals for any addenda. If you are unable to download the RFP or addenda, you may e-mail Johnny Le, Contract Administrator at purchasing@seattlehousing.org.

Questions: Any questions or requests for further information must be submitted in writing no later than **2:00 PM on Monday, October 09st, 2024** to the Contract Administrator noted above by e-mail at purchasing@seattlehousing.org.

Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received not later than **2:00 pm on Thursday, October 24th, 2024**, at the Contract Administrator's e-mail address noted above.

Diversity: SHA strongly encourages minority-owned and women-owned businesses, socially and economically disadvantaged businesses, HUD Section 3 businesses, small businesses and veteran-owned businesses to submit proposals or to participate in a subcontracting capacity on SHA contracts.

Rights Reserved: SHA reserves the right to waive as an informality any irregularities in submittals, and/or to reject any and all proposals.

Diana Peterson
Procurement and Contracts Manager

CONSULTANT REGISTRATION FORM

If you plan on submitting a Proposal for this project, please complete this registration form and e-mail it to *Johnny Le, Contract Administrator* and purchasing@seattlehousing.org so that you can be contacted directly if necessary.

SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

RFP Solicitation No. 5988

Safety and Security Consulting

Name of Firm: _____

Business Address: _____

Contact Information:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone #: _____

Fax #: _____

e-mail: _____

Thank you.



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A. FORMS:

- Vendor Fact Sheet
- Suspension and Debarment Compliance Certificate for Consultant
- Suspension and Debarment Compliance Certificate for Sub-Consultants (if applicable)
- Certifications and Representations of Offerors – Non-Construction Contract (form HUD-5369-C)
- For-Profit Subgrantee and Contractor Certifications and Assurances Form

B. INFORMATIONAL EXHIBITS:

- HUD Section 3 Information and Section 3 Forms

RFP Issued On:	Proposal Due:
Thursday, September 26 th , 2024	2:00 PM Thursday, October 24 th , 2024

Seattle Housing Authority

Request for Proposals (Solicitation No. 5988)

SAFETY AND SECURITY CONSULTING

A. INTRODUCTION

- 1) **General:** The Seattle Housing Authority (SHA) is seeking a qualified professional firm to consultants to provide comprehensive research and assessments to develop and identify strategies per community for tailored needs regarding increased security.
- 2) **Seattle Housing Authority Background:** SHA is an independent public corporation providing long-term, low-income rental housing and rental assistance to more than 38,000 people in the city of Seattle. We believe in providing more than housing for our tenants, and we partner with many organizations to offer an array of services and community activities to help those we serve improve their lives. The majority of SHA's funding is federal, through the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Other income includes rent revenue and non-HUD public and private grants. SHA operates according to the following Mission and Values:

Our Mission

The mission of the Seattle Housing Authority is to enhance the Seattle community by creating and sustaining decent, safe and affordable living environments that foster stability and increase self-sufficiency for people with low incomes.

Our Values

As stewards of the public trust, we pursue our mission and responsibilities in a spirit of service, teamwork, and respect. We embrace the values of excellence, collaboration, innovation, and appreciation.

The mission of the Seattle Housing Authority is to enhance the Seattle community by creating and sustaining decent, safe and affordable living environments that foster stability and self-sufficiency for people with low incomes. SHA provides long-term, low-income rental housing and rental assistance to more than 38,000 people in Seattle. SHA owns and operates more than 8,500 housing units at nearly 400 sites throughout the city. SHA also administers approximately 12,000 Housing Choice Vouchers, enabling low-income residents to receive rental assistance throughout the Seattle housing market. SHA, an independent public corporation established in 1939, is governed by a seven-member Board of Commissioners, two of whom are SHA residents. Commissioners are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. More information is available at seattlehousing.org.

- 3) **Women and Minority Business Enterprise (WMBE) Inclusion:** SHA requires proposers to make good-faith efforts to meet SHA's 14% aspirational WMBE goal and provide meaningful opportunities to WMBE firms to participate in the direct performance of commercially useful work as part of the proposed Project Team.
- 4) **Race and Social Justice Initiative (RSJI):** SHA is committed to advancing racial and other social justice equity and has a focused affirmative plan to educate staff on

the effects of racism and other oppressions on the work of SHA, our employees, residents and stakeholders; and to eliminate institutional racism and other oppressions at SHA.

- 5) **Cooperative Purchasing:** RCW 39.34 allows cooperative purchasing between public agencies (political subdivisions) in the State of Washington. Public agencies that file an Interlocal Joint Purchasing Agreement with SHA may also wish to procure the services herein offered by the successful party. The successful party shall have the option of extending its offer to SHA to other agencies for the same cost, terms and conditions.

SHA does not accept any responsibility for agreements, contracts or purchase orders issued by other public agencies to the successful party. Each public agency accepts responsibility for compliance with any additional or varying laws and regulations governing purchase by or on behalf of the public agency. SHA accepts no responsibility for the performance of the successful party in providing services to other public agencies, nor any responsibility for the payment price to the successful party for other public-agency purchases.

B. SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS SCHEDULE:

Activity	Location	Day	Date	Time
Pre-Submittal Meeting	Please join the link provided on the first page of this proposal package. If you need the link emailed, please e-mail Johnny Le, Contract Administrator at purchasing@seattlehousing.org and you will be sent an invitation to join.	Monday	10/7/2024	11:00 AM
Deadline for Questions	E-mail questions to purchasing@seattlehousing.org	Wednesday	10/9/2024	2:00 PM
SUBMITTAL DEADLINE AND DELIVERY INFORMATION				
E-Mail to: purchasing@seattlehousing.org		Thursday	10/24/2024	2:00 PM

Questions: Questions must be in writing and sent prior to the Deadline for Questions date and time shown above. Submit your questions to Johnny Le at purchasing@seattlehousing.org

Addenda: In the event there are changes or clarifications to this RFP, SHA will issue an addendum. Addenda will be published on SHA’s website at [Do business with us | Seattle Housing Authority](#). It is the responsibility of proposers to check this website before submitting and downloading any addenda issued. If you are unable to download the addenda, you may e-mail the Contract Administrator, Johnny Le at purchasing@seattlehousing.org to have a copy of the addenda e-mailed to you.

Pre-Submittal Meeting: Proposers are strongly encouraged to attend a Pre-Submittal Meeting at the date and time indicated above.

Submittal: The deadlines given above are firm as to place, date, and time. SHA will not consider any proposal received after the deadline.

All proposals should be clearly marked when e-mailed to avoid any confusion about recording arrival dates and times. Proposers should take this practice into account and submit their materials early to avoid any risk of ineligibility caused by unanticipated delays or other delivery problems. *NOTE: A faxed or hand delivered proposal is not acceptable.*

All proposals received will become the property of the Seattle Housing Authority and will not be returned to the Proposer.

Proposals should be limited to a maximum of 10 pages single sided, or 5 pages double sided in no smaller than 11 point font on 8½” by 11” sheets. The following are NOT INCLUDED in the page limit mentioned above: your cover letter, vendor fact sheet, resumes, Certifications and Representations of Offerors – Non-Construction Contract (form HUD-5369-C), the Suspension and Debarment Certificate for Consultant, and any applicable Section 3 form(s). Your **cover letter** should express your interest in performing the work. A principal or officer of the firm authorized to execute contracts or other similar documents on the firm’s behalf must sign the letter.

1) **Required number of copies:** Proposers responding to this RFP shall submit their proposal to the e-mail address indicated above. **The following items/forms are to be submitted as a separate file and not included in your Proposal.** Do not include these items/forms in the proposal.

- Price / Rates
- Vendor Fact Sheet
- Suspension and Debarment Compliance Certificate for Consultant
- Suspension and Debarment Compliance Certificate for Sub-Consultants
- Certifications and Representations of Offerors (form HUD-5369-C)
- For-Profit Subgrantee and Contractor Certifications and Assurances Form
- Any applicable Section 3 Form(s)

2) **Proprietary Proposal Material:**

Any records or materials submitted to SHA in response to this RFP become public records under Washington State law (see RCW Chapter 42.56, the Public Disclosure Act, at <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=42.56>). Public records must be promptly disclosed upon request unless a statute exempts disclosure. Exemptions from disclosure include trade secrets and valuable formulas (see RCW 42.56 and RCW Ch. 19.108); however, public disclosure exemptions are narrow and specific. Proposers are expected to be familiar with any potentially-applicable exemptions, and the limits of those exemptions.

Proposers are obligated to separately bind and clearly mark as “proprietary” information any proposal records they believe are exempted from disclosure. The body of the proposal may refer to these separately-bound records. Proposers

should mark as “proprietary” only that information they believe legitimately fits within a public-disclosure exemption. SHA may reject solicitation responses that are marked proprietary in their entirety.

If SHA receives a public disclosure request for records that a Proposer has marked as “proprietary information,” SHA may notify the Proposer of this request and postpone disclosure briefly to allow the Proposer to file a lawsuit under RCW 42.17.330 to enjoin disclosure; however, this is a courtesy of SHA and not an obligation.

SHA has no obligation to assert an exemption from disclosure. If the Proposer believes that its records are exempt from disclosure, the Proposer is obligated to seek an injunction under RCW 42.56. By submitting a proposal, the Proposer acknowledges this obligation; the Proposer also acknowledges that SHA will have no obligation or liability to the Proposer if the records are disclosed.

- 3) **Cost of Preparing Proposals:** SHA will not be liable for any costs incurred by the Proposer in the preparation and presentation of proposals submitted in response to this RFP including, but not limited to, costs incurred in connection with the Proposer’s participation in demonstrations and the pre-proposal conference.
- 4) **Rights Reserved by SHA:** SHA reserves the right to waive as an informality any irregularities in submittals and/or to reject any or all proposals. SHA requests that companies refrain from requesting public disclosure of selection information until a contract has been executed as a measure to best protect the solicitation process, particularly in the event of a cancellation or re-solicitation. With this preference stated, SHA shall continue to properly fulfill all public disclosure requests for such information as required by State Law.

C. SCOPE OF WORK

1. Introduction

The Seattle Housing Authority (SHA) is committed to enhancing the safety and security of its housing communities, staff, and individual sites, at all applicable SHA communities. SHA is seeking a consultant to provide comprehensive research and assessments to develop and identify strategies per community for tailored needs regarding increased security.

2. Research and Assessment Focus

The core goal of this RFP is to conduct thorough research and assessments across SHA communities. This includes analyzing current safety and security measures, identifying risks and vulnerabilities, and recommending strategic improvements.

SHA is committed to a secure and inclusive environment, valuing diversity, and innovation in its partnerships. We encourage proposals from a wide range of applicants, ensuring that our safety and security solutions meet the diverse needs of our communities.

Acknowledging that each property has distinct safety needs and challenges, comprehensive plans are sought to provide a thorough assessment and well-researched recommendations for the next steps in security. The goal is to ensure the safety and

security of all staff and residents, focusing on the most vulnerable. The guidelines to consider in developing approaches to meet the unique security needs of each site are below:

- a) **Develop Presence Enhancement Strategy:** Enhance the visibility of safety personnel across all housing sites to provide a stronger sense of security and community presence.
- b) **Establish De-escalation and Deterrence Protocols:** Develop specific de-escalation protocols for addressing safety concerns, focusing on non-confrontational conflict resolution methods.
- c) **Foster Community Relationships:** Build and strengthen trust with residents to create a more supportive and engaged community environment.
- d) **Initiate Violence Reduction strategies:** Implement violence reduction strategies, incorporating the involvement of various community stakeholders in proactive measures.
- e) **Enhance Outreach to Families and Individuals:** Conduct targeted outreach to families and individuals, especially those connected to issues of violence, to foster a safer and more supportive community atmosphere.
- f) **Comprehensive Community Safety Assessment:**
 - I. Conduct evaluations of SHA's safety and security needs properties, focusing on the needs of all residents.
 - II. Develop safety plans addressing specific challenges and requirements of diverse communities.
- g) **General Safety and Security Strategy:** Propose a safety strategy to ensure a secure and supportive environment for all residents.
- h) **Collaborative Municipal Relationship Building for Community Safety:** Formulate strategies for SHA's collaboration with local city and county municipalities and agencies, like the Seattle Police Department, for enhanced community safety.
- i) **On-Site Security Risk Identification and Management:**
 - I. Conduct site-specific evaluations to identify security risks in common areas and residential areas.
 - II. Recommend securing community spaces, including play areas, community centers, and other public spaces.
- j) **Equity and Inclusivity in Strategies:**
 - I. Ensure all safety recommendations consider the community's diverse needs, promoting equitable access to safe spaces and resources.
 - II. Develop strategies to address the unique safety concerns of residents from various cultural backgrounds.

3. Specific

Through this comprehensive scope of work, SHA aims to create a safer, more supportive, and equitable environment for all residents and staff, ensuring a secure and empowering living space for residents, including the youth who are integral to our community.

The selected consultant(s) will be responsible for the following tasks, but not limited to:

- a) Safety and Security Assessment:
 - I. Conduct comprehensive evaluations of SHA's housing communities, including physical infrastructure, policies, procedures, and community engagement.
 - II. Identify specific safety needs within communities and allocate resources for targeted interventions like increased security measures and improved lighting.
- b) Integrated Physical Security (IPS):
 - I. Assess property's physical infrastructure, access control measures, and emergency response protocols.
 - II. Develop recommendations for a security plan, including video surveillance, access control systems, and visitor management protocols.
- c) Community Safety Needs:
 - I. Collaborate with local community organizations and law enforcement to tailor interventions for specific challenges.
 - II. Develop security recommendations including surveillance systems, security personnel, and incident response protocols.
- d) Equity and Inclusivity Review:
 - I. Assess potential disproportionate impacts of security plans.
 - II. Create strategies to ensure equitable access to safety resources for all residents.
- e) Security Plan Development Recommendations:
 - I. Develop a set of security recommendations aligned with best practices.
 - II. Incorporate an equity lens into security plans.
- f) Internal Security Options and External Partnerships:
 - I. Consider pros and cons establishing an internal security team.
 - II. Assess collaborations with local law enforcement, private security firms, or community organizations.
- g) Crisis Management and Emergency Preparedness: Create recommendations for protocols and plans for responding to critical safety events and natural disasters.
- h) Lease Enforcement Strategy:
 - I. Undertake initiatives to enhance understanding and application of lease enforcement across all stakeholders.

- II. Develop strategies to utilize lease enforcement as a supportive tool, focusing on access to services and addressing safety within lease agreements.
 - III. Collaborate with legal aid and tenant advocacy groups for fair, equitable lease enforcement practices.
 - IV. Integrate lease enforcement with community initiatives, considering individual circumstances and social justice.
- i) Municipal Systems Knowledge and Community Relations:
- I. Gain in-depth knowledge of Seattle and King County's municipal systems, including housing, social services, and public safety.
 - II. Establish partnerships with city departments, nonprofits, and community groups.
 - III. Conduct forums and sessions to gather resident perspectives on SPD and municipal relationships.
 - IV. Foster partnerships with SPD, community organizations, and SHA for positive interactions and community-oriented policing.
 - V. Develop protocols to address issues like noise complaints, neighbor disputes, and non-emergency concerns.

4. Deliverables

The consultant(s) will provide the following deliverables:

- a) Safety and Security Assessment Reports: Detailed findings from the assessments of SHA communities, including recommendations for targeted interventions.
- b) Security Plan: A comprehensive plan addressing vulnerabilities and best practices in physical infrastructure, surveillance, access control, and emergency preparedness.
- c) Equity and Inclusivity Report: A report on the impact of safety measures on different community groups and recommendations for equitable access.
- d) Lease Enforcement Strategy Report: A document outlining recommendations for a justice-oriented approach to lease enforcement, emphasizing fairness and support.
- e) Community Engagement Framework: Strategies for building partnerships with local organizations and fostering community-oriented security practices.
- f) Crisis Management Plan: Recommendations for Protocols for managing emergencies, including communication strategies and coordination with local emergency services.

D. INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED IN YOUR PROPOSAL

Response / Proposal Content: To facilitate evaluation, proposals should address and be organized in the order of the outline given below and include the following information:

1) Cover Letter

2) Address each of the evaluation criteria below:

- Relating to Criterion 1:

Women and Minority Business (WMBE) Inclusion Plan

Provide a detailed Inclusion Plan describing your good-faith efforts to meet the aspirational WMBE goal and provide meaningful opportunities to WMBE firms to participate in the direct performance of commercially useful work as part of the proposed Project Team. Your Plan must also include, if applicable, pre-award commitments or agreements with your named WMBE and/or Project Team members' firm(s).

- Relating to Criterion 2:

Race and Social Justice Initiative (RSJI)

- Provide a detailed Plan describing your firm's good faith efforts to identify and address racism and other oppressions both within and without your organization.
- If applicable, please indicate training, tools and other resources that are available for your employees to work proactively for race and social justice equity.
- If applicable, state steps or processes in place that enable your organization to provide services in a culturally responsive and relevant way.

- Relating to Criterion 3:

Firm's Experience and Qualifications

- Provide evidence of your firm's ability to perform the work described in the Scope of Work.
- Provide evidence of working with public agencies and/or low-income residents.

- Relating to Criterion 4:

Project Team's Experience and Qualifications

- Provide evidence of your project team's ability to perform the work described in the Scope of Work.
- Explain how the project team would approach the referral process of individuals, from start to finish.
- Provide an in-depth explanation on your processes from the development to the implementation.

- Relating to Criterion 5:

Reporting and Processes

- Provide sample reports pertaining to the Scope of Work.
- Provide an in-depth explanation on your processes from the development to the implementation.

- Describe the process, from start to completion, on the referral process of individuals.
- Relating to Criterion 6:
Fee Schedule:
 - A fee schedule including a breakdown that provides all-inclusive rates pertaining to the Scope of Work.
- 3) Provide resumes for the key personnel named in your response.
- 4) Include a list of at least three references for whom the firm or team members have performed similar work in the last five years (including agency or business name of client, contact person, address, telephone number and e-mail address if available.)

E. CONSULTANT EVALUATION CRITERIA

Consultants’ submittals will be evaluated based on the criteria listed in this section and further described in Section D above. In preparing the submittal to SHA, it is important for proposers to clearly demonstrate their expertise in the areas described in this document. Because multiple areas of expertise are required for successfully performing this project, the Consultant, either through in-house staff or sub-consultants, must demonstrate expertise and have available adequate numbers of experienced personnel in all of the areas described.

Consultants are encouraged to identify and clearly label in their submittal how each criterion is being fully addressed. Evaluation of responses to this RFP will be based only on the information provided in the submittal package, and if applicable, interviews, and reference responses. SHA reserves the right to request additional information or documentation from the firm regarding its submittal documents, personnel, financial viability, or other items in order to complete the selection process. In submitting a proposal, the Consultant and any sub-consultants agree that any costs, prices, hourly rates proposed shall be valid for a minimum of 90 days from the proposal due date.

The following criteria with a point system of relative importance with an aggregate total of 100 points will be utilized to evaluate the qualifications of each proposer:

Evaluation Criteria – Qualifications		Weighting (Max. Points)
1	Women and Minority Business Enterprise (WMBE) Inclusion Plan (See Section D above for a complete description of this Criterion.)	10
2	Race and Social Justice Initiative (RSJI) (See Section D above for a complete description of this Criterion.)	10
3	Firm’s Experience and Qualifications (See Section D above for a complete description of this Criterion.)	25
4	Project Team’s Experience and Qualifications (See Section D above for a complete description of this Criterion.)	25

5	Reporting and Processes (See Section D above for a complete description of this Criterion.)	20
6	Fee Schedule (See Section D above for a complete description of this Criterion.)	10
MAXIMUM TOTAL POINTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS		100

F. SELECTION PROCESS

An evaluation panel will rate all responses to this RFP that are received on or before the stated deadline, according to the criteria listed above. Based on its initial evaluation, the panel may:

- 1) Make a recommendation to SHA's Executive Director and request authority to negotiate a Contract with one or more proposers; or
- 2) Request additional information from the proposer or proposers whose responses appear to have the greatest likelihood of success; and/or
- 3) Invite one or more proposer whose responses appear to have the greatest likelihood of success to attend an interview/presentation to discuss their proposal; and then make a recommendation to SHA's Executive Director and request authority to negotiate a contract with one or more proposers.

SHA reserves the right to conduct reference checks at any time during the evaluation process.

In the event that information obtained from the reference checks reveals concerns about any proposer's past performance and their ability to successfully perform the contract to be executed based on this RFP, SHA may, at its sole discretion, determine that the Proposer is not a responsible proposer and may select the next highest-ranked Proposer whose reference checks validate the ability of the Proposer to successfully perform the contract to be executed based on this RFP. In conducting reference checks, SHA may include itself as a reference if the Proposer has performed work for SHA, even if the Proposer did not identify SHA as a reference.

By submitting its proposal in response to this RFP, the consultant accepts the procurement method used and acknowledges and accepts that the evaluation process will require subjective judgments by SHA and the evaluation panel.

Any protest of the selection process shall be resolved in accordance with SHA's [Procurement Policy](#) and [Procurement Procedures](#), which may be reviewed on SHA's website, under FORMS AND POLICIES of the Do Business With Us page.

G. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

SHA shall negotiate with the most qualified Proposer or Proposers, as determined by evaluation of the responses and, if applicable, interviews. If SHA is unable to reach agreement with any of the highest ranked firms, it may negotiate with the next highest ranked firm or firms, proceeding in turn to each firm that SHA has determined to be qualified, in order of rank. If agreement cannot be reached with any qualified firm, SHA reserves the right to cancel the solicitation.

SHA expects to execute one or more Contracts for services for one year. At SHA's option, a Change Order may be executed extending the Contract(s) for up to four additional one-year periods, along with appropriate adjustments in the scope of work and compensation. The Contract shall not exceed five-years.

H. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

- 1) Small and/or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Requirements:** SHA strongly encourages minority-owned and women-owned businesses, socially and economically disadvantaged business enterprises, HUD Section 3 businesses, small businesses and veteran-owned businesses to submit proposals, to participate as partners, or to participate in other business activity in response to this RFP.

As outlined in more detail in Section D, SHA has also included a 14% Women and/or Minority Business Enterprise (WMBE) aspirational participation goal. Consequently, in responding to the solicitation, submitters must include an Inclusion Plan demonstrating good faith efforts in seeking meaningful opportunities for WMBEs in the work of the Contract.

- 2) Section 3 Requirements:** Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (hereinafter "Section 3 Laws") requires SHA to the greatest extent feasible to provide employment opportunities to Section 3 residents. Section 3 residents include residents of SHA communities and other low-income residents of Seattle.

Section 3 Contract Language: The following language regarding Section 3 will be included as part of the contract to be executed based on this RFP:

- A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of the Section 3 Laws. The purpose of the Section 3 Laws is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by the Section 3 Laws, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with the Section 3 Laws. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Consultant shall comply, and shall require its subcontractors and subconsultants to comply, with the requirements of 24 CFR 75.9. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the Section 3 Laws.
- C. The Consultant agrees to include this Section 3 clause in every subcontract, and to otherwise take all necessary steps to ensure compliance with the Section 3 Laws by its subcontractors and subconsultants. The Consultant agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract in this Section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor or subconsultant is in violation of the Section 3 Laws. The Consultant will not subcontract with any subcontractor or subconsultant where the Consultant has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor or subconsultant has been found in violation of the Section 3 Laws.
- D. The Consultant will provide certifications in form and substance required by Owner at such times as Owner may request, certifying (i) its compliance with the Section 3 Laws, and (ii) as to such facts and circumstances pertaining to the Section 3

Laws as Owner may require or request, including, without limitation, certification with respect to total number of labor hours worked under this Agreement, labor hours worked by Section 3 Workers (as defined in the Section 3 Laws), and labor hours worked by Targeted Section 3 Workers (as defined in the Section 3 Laws).

- E. Noncompliance with the Section 3 Laws may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.
- F. Each party agrees to perform any further acts and execute and deliver any further documents that may be reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions and intent of this Section or otherwise to ensure performance in compliance with the Section 3 Laws.

3) Basic Eligibility: By submitting for this Solicitation:

- A. Proposer represents that it is licensed to do business in the State of Washington and it has a state Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number.
- B. Proposer represents by its submission of the SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE FOR CONSULTANT form, attached hereto, that neither it nor its principals/officers are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. Proposer further represents that by submitting a Proposal and being selected for this work, that it will comply with the requirements regarding sub-contracting and the purchase of supplies or materials for this work and the sub-contractors and/or firms, and their principals/officers are not debarred or otherwise disqualified from doing business with SHA. The Proposer understands that if selected, it shall provide evidence with the SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE FOR SUB-CONSULTANTS form attached to this RFP of Proposer's sub-contractors' (if applicable) eligibility.
- C. Certification and Representations of Offerors Form: The Consultant shall submit to SHA a completed and signed Certifications and Representations of Offerors form (HUD-5369-C) (attached hereto) for itself.

4) Payment Requirements: Proposers should be aware that SHA will only make payments on the contract issued under this RFP after the work being billed has been completed, and within 30 calendar days of receipt of a properly prepared and SHA approved invoice from the Consultant. Supporting documentation is required for payment of reimbursable expenses. No advance payments will be made to the Consultant, who must have the capacity to meet all project expenses in advance of payments by SHA.

5) Approval of Sub-Consultants: SHA retains the right of final approval of any sub-consultant of the selected Proposer who must inform all sub-consultants of this provision.

6) Documents Produced: All construction drawings, reports, specifications, and other documents produced under contract to SHA must be submitted to SHA in both hard copy and a digital format that meets SHA's requirements, using Microsoft Office or AutoCad products in an IBM-compatible format. All documents and products created by the Consultant and their sub-consultants shall become the exclusive property of SHA.

- 7) **Other Contracts:** During the original term and all subsequent renewal terms of the contract resulting from this RFP, SHA expressly reserves the right, through any other sources available, to pursue and implement alternative means of soliciting and awarding similar or related services as described in this RFP.
- 8) **Funding Availability:** By responding to this RFP, the Proposer acknowledges that for any contract signed as a result of this RFP, the authority to proceed with the work is contingent upon the availability of funding.
- 9) **For-Profit Subgrantee and Contractor Certifications and Assurances Form:** In the event that the Contract for these services includes any Federal Grant Funds, the Consultant must submit a completed and signed Certifications and Assurances Form (copy attached to this RFP) for itself and each sub-consultant, if known will be utilized on the Contract. Such form shall be submitted to SHA with the one original submittal for this RFP.
- 10) **Contract Requirements:** Proposers may review a sample of [SHA's standard contract language](#) that will form the basis for any contract executed based on this solicitation by visiting SHA's website, under FORMS AND POLICIES of the Do Business With Us page.

SHA's standard contract document is intended to guide you in developing your proposal. The actual contract that the successful Proposer and SHA will sign will be based on this sample contract. Please be advised that SHA will only negotiate some aspects of the contract. Much of the contents of the sample contract are based on non-flexible requirements and cannot be modified in any form.

In addition to any SHA-owned properties that may be included in the scope of work of this solicitation, there may be other properties for which SHA serves as General Manager and/or Managing Partner. These properties are Low-Income-Housing Tax Credit limited partnerships. If any of these Limited Partnership (LP) properties are included in the scope of work under this solicitation, the selected firm must also name those LP's as additional insureds to their policy under the required insurance coverages described under Section H. 11C. below. The Contract(s) resulting from this solicitation must also be entered into by SHA, the selected firm, and all legal entities, including the LPs if applicable.

11) Insurance:

A. General Requirements:

1. Prior to undertaking any work under this contract and for the duration of this contract, Consultant will procure and continuously maintain at its own expense, insurance coverage as specified below, covering performance of the work under this contract by Consultant and its agents, representatives, employees and/or subcontractors if applicable.
2. Consultant's insurance will be primary and non-contributory as respects any insurance or self-insurance maintained by SHA, and will include a severability of interests clause for applicable coverages.

3. Failure of Consultant to fully comply with the insurance requirements of this order will be considered a material breach of order and, at the option of SHA, will be cause for such action as may be available to SHA under other provisions of this order or otherwise in law, including immediate termination of the order.
 4. SHA reserves the right to waive any of the insurance requirements of this contract at its sole discretion.
 5. Coverage will be placed with financially sound and responsible companies acceptable to SHA which are authorized to do business in the State of Washington.
 6. Consultant's policies will provide waivers of subrogation by endorsement or otherwise when applicable.
- B. Required Insurance Coverage: Consultant will maintain and provide evidence of insurance in the following types and amounts:

1. Commercial General Liability Insurance. A policy of Commercial General Liability insurance including bodily injury, property damage, and products/completed operations, written on an industry standard form (GC 0001 or equivalent) occurrence form, with limits of at least \$1,000,000 each occurrence, and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.

Coverage will extend to cover the use of any mobile equipment on the site or sites of the work of this contract. In the event that the services to be provided under this order involve Consultant's unsupervised access to by minor children, and/or elderly, disabled or vulnerable adults as defined in RCW 74.34.020, Consultant may be asked to provide evidence that sexual misconduct coverage has not been excluded from the policy. Acceptable evidence of sexual misconduct coverage is subject to approval by SHA's Risk Manager.

2. Employers Liability or Washington Stop Gap Liability. A policy of Employers Liability, or a Washington Stop Gap Liability insurance endorsement, with limits of at least \$1,000,000 each accident/occupational disease.
3. Commercial Business Auto Coverage. A policy of Commercial Business Auto Coverage, including coverage for owned, non-owned, leased or hired vehicles written on an insurance industry standard form (CA 00 01) or equivalent, with limits of at least \$1,000,000 per accident.
4. Workers Compensation. Consultant will provide coverage in accordance with the provisions of Title 51 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW).
5. Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions Insurance. A policy of Errors and Omissions or Professional Liability insurance appropriate to the Consultant's licensed profession with limits of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate.

If coverage is provided on a claims-made form, Consultant will maintain coverage for a minimum of three (3) years from the date of completion of the work authorized by the Contract.

C. Proof of Insurance and Insurance Expiration:

1. Consultant will furnish certificates of insurance (and policy endorsements if needed) as evidence of compliance with the insurance requirements of the order.
2. The Seattle Housing Authority, and any limited liability partnership for which SHA serves as managing agent, will be named as an Additional Insureds on all liability policies of the Consultant other than professional liability policies.
3. SHA reserves the right to request complete copies of all required insurance policies at any time during the term of the contract.
4. If subcontractors will perform work under this contract, Consultant will
 - a. include all subcontractors at any tier as insureds, and ensure that the Consultant's coverage of subcontractors under the Consultant's policies is not excluded by any policy provision or endorsement, or, alternatively,
 - b. Obtain from each subcontractor not insured under the Consultant's policy or policies of insurance, evidence of insurance meeting all the requirements of this order and maintain such evidence on file for a period of one year after the completion of this order and, upon request, submit such evidence to SHA for examination.
5. The Consultant's insurance will not be reduced or canceled without forty-five (45) days prior written notice to SHA.

D. Criminal Background Investigation: The Consultant will conduct a criminal background investigation of all employees, volunteers, subcontractors and sub-consultants performing any work who may reasonably be expected to have direct or incidental contact with SHA residents, SHA staff members, or vulnerable population. In addition, a criminal background investigation will be performed for any person performing work under this Contract who is given use of an SHA building-access card or who collects payments of any kind. The criminal background investigation will include, but not necessarily be limited to, a Washington State Patrol background report or if the employee, volunteer, subcontractor or subconsultant resides in a state other than Washington, the background report should be obtained from the state patrol office where the employee, subcontractor or subconsultant has resided for the last 3 years. In the event a background check provides evidence of a felony conviction that information will be provided to the SHA Project Manager. If any person performing work under this Contract is charged with a felony, the Consultant agrees to remove that person from performing any further work on the project unless and until SHA agrees in writing to allow the person to continue.

Attachment A

FORMS

The forms attached hereto are to be completed and submitted as a separate document when you submit your proposal.

VENDOR FACT SHEET



VENDOR FACT SHEET

Return this Form TO: Seattle Housing Authority, Purchasing Division,
ATTN: Johnny Le
purchasing@seattlehousing.org

General Business Information:		<u>For SHA Use Only:</u>	
Name of Business, Organization, or Name of Person (if payment is to an individual):		JDE Vendor No.	Purchasing contracts <input type="checkbox"/>
Mailing Address for Payments:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	E-Mail Address:
Telephone No.:	Fax No.:	DUNS No.:	UEI:
Washington UBI No.:	City of Seattle Business License No.:	Washington Contractor's License No.:	
Employee Tax ID No. (TIN) or Social Security No. (if Individual):			
President/General Manager:		Principal products and/or services offered:	
Type of Organization (check one):			
Individual <input type="checkbox"/>	Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/>	Partnership <input type="checkbox"/>	Corporation <input type="checkbox"/>
• Governmental Agency <input type="checkbox"/>			Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/>
Substitute IRS Form W-9 Certification:			
Under penalties of perjury, I hereby certify that the number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number, <u>and</u> that I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, <u>and</u> I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien). Note: The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid backup withholding.			
SIGN HERE →	Signature of U.S. Person		Date
Ownership Status (check all that apply):		Racial/Ethnic Status (check one):	
<input type="checkbox"/> MBE (Minority-Owned Business Enterprise) <input type="checkbox"/> WBE (Women-Owned Business Enterprise) <input type="checkbox"/> MWBE (Minority / Women-Owned Business Enterprise) <input type="checkbox"/> CBE (Combination Business Enterprise) <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business <input type="checkbox"/> HUD Section 3 Business		<input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian (1) <input type="checkbox"/> African American (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Native American (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic American (4) <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific American (5) <input type="checkbox"/> Hasidic Jews (6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified by OMWBE (Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises) <input type="checkbox"/> Self-Identified (SHA may request a signed statement re: self-certification)			
Method of Contract Payments: As outlined on the reverse side of this form, for contracts over one million dollars, SHA's method of contract payments is through an electronic virtual credit card issued by SHA's e-payables vendor, Bank of America. Unless SHA grants a waiver, Vendors will receive an enrollment form from SHA following issuance of a contract.			
SIGN BELOW:			
Signature of Authorized Representative of Vendor:			Date:
By signing immediately above, the Vendor hereby represents the following:			

- a) The Vendor certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, neither it, nor any person/principal or firm which has an interest in the Vendor's firm, is ineligible to participate in a SHA contract, purchase order, direct pay or other transaction, pursuant to the Certification of Eligibility provision specified in the Vendor Fact Sheet Instructions, or;
- b) The Vendor will comply with SHA's General Terms and Conditions applicable to Purchase Orders (available at SHA website <https://www.seattlehousing.org/>, DO BUSINESS WITH US page, under FORMS AND POLICIES), if the Vendor will be supplying goods and/or services through an SHA Purchase Order.

Vendor Fact Sheet Instructions

Thank you for your interest in doing business with the Seattle Housing Authority (SHA). We look forward to doing business with you. If you have any questions about completion of the Vendor Fact Sheet, please call us at (206) 615-3379.

In order for SHA to make payments to you or to procure goods or services from you, we need the information requested on the Vendor Fact Sheet, which also serves as a substitute IRS W-9 Form. The information about you will be entered into our computerized payment system and will allow us to make required reports to the Federal government about our business and payment transactions.

Substitute IRS Form W-9 Certification: In completing the Vendor Fact Sheet, you must sign the "Substitute IRS Form W-9 Certification" or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct taxpayer identification number to SHA, you must cross out the portion of the certification after the word "and" in line two, through the end of line five, before signing the form. Detailed instructions about IRS Form W-9 are included on the form, which may be obtained by calling our office at (206) 615-3379 or visiting the IRS web site at www.irs.gov.

Certification of Eligibility: In order to do business with SHA, the Vendor must be eligible to:

- 1) Be awarded contracts by any agency of the U.S. Government, HUD, or the State in which this Contract work is to be performed; or,
- 2) Participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.

Use the websites of the [General Services Administration](#) and the [U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development](#) to verify eligibility of the firm and its principals. By signing the Vendor Fact Sheet, the Vendor understands that the certification of eligibility is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when SHA agreed to enter into the transaction with the Vendor. SHA may require the Vendor to submit such certification on an annual basis depending on the terms of its contract or the frequency of its business transactions with SHA. If the Vendor subcontracts any portion of the work, the Vendor will be required to submit a similar certification of eligibility to SHA for any Vendor subcontracts. Any written contract executed between SHA and the Vendor shall include these provisions, which may also be referred to as Suspension/Debarment provisions.

Contract Payments: Unless SHA grants a waiver, its method of contract payment for contracts of one million or more is through its Bank of America e-payables program. Payments will be made electronically through a virtual Visa credit card. Benefits for using this method include reduced labor costs associated with the processing of checks and enhancing cash flow by eliminating float time associated with the mailing of checks. To learn more about the program, please click [here](#) or copy and paste the following URL into your browser: www.bankofamerica.com/epayablesvendors. For new vendors, SHA will automatically send an enrollment form upon contract award. If you have questions about the program, please contact Tran Wong, SHA's Accounts Payable Manager, at 206-615-3483 or twong@seattlehousing.org.

Small Businesses: *The Vendor Fact Sheet also requests information about whether your business is owned and controlled by women or minorities, and/or is a small business. The following are definitions of these terms for your use. This information provides valuable information to SHA in its efforts to ensure its contracting program meets its diversity objectives and requirements.*

- **WMBE:** Minority and women-owned business enterprises must either be self-identified or certified by the Washington State Office of Women's and Minority Business Enterprises (OMWBE) to be at least fifty-one percent owned by women and/or minority group members. For self-identification as WMBE, refer to [Minority/Women Owned Business Enterprise Self-Identification Form for Work Performed on Seattle Housing Authority Projects](#)
- **Small Business:** A small business means a business concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121. Furthermore, a business is considered small according to the Small Business Administration's established guidelines provided to such businesses.
- **HUD Section 3 Business:** A business that meets at least one of the following criteria, documented within the last six-month period: (1) at least 51% owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons; (2) over 75% of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period are performed by Section 3 workers; or (3) a business at least 51% owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing. More detailed information available at the website of [the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development](#).

SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE FOR CONSULTANT

By signing below, the Consultant certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief neither its firm nor any of its principals as named below are presently debarred, suspended, or have been declared ineligible or are excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal, state or local government.

Consultant's Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

	PRINCIPAL(S) Name(s)	Title(s)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

Consultant's Signature	Printed Name	Title	Date

NOTE: This requirement applies to the Consultant's firm as well as its principals. Principal is defined in the regulation (2 CFR 180.995) as follows:

- 1) An officer, director, owner, partner, principal investigator, or other person within a participant with management or supervisory responsibilities related to a covered transaction; or
- 2) A consultant or other person, whether or not employed by the participant or paid with Federal funds, who-
 - a) Is in a position to handle Federal funds;
 - b) Is in a position to influence or control the use of those funds; or,
 - c) Occupies a technical or professional position capable of substantially influencing the development or outcome of an activity require to perform the covered transaction.

The federal websites to verify eligibility include:

[SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov) | Home and [hud.gov/topics/limited_denials_of_participation](https://www.hud.gov/topics/limited_denials_of_participation).

SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE FOR SUB-CONSULTANTS

The Prime Consultant may use this form if the Prime can verify that their Sub-Consultants named below, nor any of their principals are debarred, suspended or ineligible from involvement by Federal, State or Local Government. If the Prime is unable to verify this information, the Prime must send the previous SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE FOR CONSULTANT form to each sub-consultant to be completed and returned.

Prime Consultant's Name: _____ certifies that neither any of the sub-consulting firms named below, nor any of its principals are debarred, suspended or ineligible from involvement by Federal, State or Local Government. I understand that the Seattle Housing Authority (SHA) relies on this certification and I understand that I am obligated to submit the following to SHA:

- A certification for any new sub-consultant hired after submission of this certification.
- A renewal certification for every sub-consultant on the anniversary of the Contract execution date if the Contract Time extends beyond one year.

(**Note:** In lieu of this certification, the Prime Consultant may elect to submit a separate certification signed by each sub-consulting firm to SHA as evidence of sub-consultant eligibility. It is the Prime Consultant's responsibility to initiate, obtain, and provide all such individual sub-consultant certifications to SHA.)

Prime Consultant's Signature	Printed Name	Title	Date

Sub-Consultant Firm Listing: (If sub-consultants are not involved in the project, please enter NONE.)

If additional pages are necessary, copy this form to ensure signed statement precedes any listing of sub-consultants.

Please contact Johnny Le, Purchasing at purchasing@seattlehousing.org if you have any questions regarding compliance with this requirement.

Certifications and Representations Of Offerors
Non-Construction Contract

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

This form includes clauses required by OMB's common rule on bidding / offering procedures, implemented by HUD in 24 CFR 85.36, and those requirements set forth in Executive Order 11625 for small, minority, women-owned businesses, and certifications for independent price determination, and conflict of interest. The form is required for non-construction contracts awarded by Housing Agencies (HAs). The form is used by bidders/Offerors to certify to the Has Contracting Officer for contract compliance. If the form were not used, HAs would be unable to enforce their contracts. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality.

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

(a) The bidder/offeror represents and certifies as part of its bid/ offer that, except for full-time bona fide employees working solely for the bidder/offeror, the bidder/offeror:

- (1) has, has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and
- (2) has, has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.

(b) If the answer to either (a)(1) or (a) (2) above is affirmative, the bidder/offeror shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA Contracting Officer.

(c) Any misrepresentation by the bidder/offeror shall give the PHA the right to (1) terminate the resultant contract; (2) at its discretion, to deduct from contract payments the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the contract.

2. Small, Minority, Women-Owned Business Concern Representation

The bidder/offeror represents and certifies as part of its bid/offer that it:

- (a) is, is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121.
- (b) is, is not a women-owned small business concern. "Women-owned," as used in this provision, means a small business that is at least 51 percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.
- (c) is, is not a minority enterprise which, pursuant to Executive Order 11625, is defined as a business which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals.

For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are: (Check the block applicable to you)

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Pacific Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian Americans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Hasidic Jewish Americans |

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

- (1) The prices in this bid/offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder/offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid/offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
- (2) The prices in this bid/offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder/offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder/offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid/offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the bid/offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:

- (1) Is the person in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or submittal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
- (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above (insert full name of person(s) in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or submittal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder/offeror's organization);

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

- (c) If the bidder/offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its bid/offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

- (a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under a proposed contract and a prospective contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interest are such that:

(i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage;

(ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired; or

(iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.

- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award he or she discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the HA which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the Contract for the convenience of HA if it would be in the best interest of HA.

- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this Contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the HA, the HA may terminate the Contract for default.

- (d) The Contractor shall require a disclosure or representation from subcontractors and consultants who may be in a position to influence the advice or assistance rendered to the HA and shall include any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance or work under this Contract.

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

The offeror represents that the following persons are authorized to negotiate on its behalf with the PHA in connection with this request for submittals: (list names, titles, and telephone numbers of the authorized negotiators):

6. Conflict of Interest

In the absence of any actual or apparent conflict, the offeror, by submission of a submittal, hereby warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief, no actual or apparent conflict of interest exists with regard to my possible performance of this procurement, as described in the clause in this solicitation titled "Organizational Conflict of Interest."

7. Offeror's Signature

The offeror hereby certifies that the information contained in these certifications and representations is accurate, complete, and current.

Signature & Date:

Typed or Printed Name:

Title:

For-Profit Subgrantee and Contractor Certifications and Assurances

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that all for-profit Subgrantees and Contractors on HOPE VI projects sign this “Certifications and Assurances” form certifying that they will comply with the specific federal requirements described below. The parties who must sign a “Certifications and Assurances” form are defined below:

- **Subgrantees:** These are for-profit organizations to which the Housing Authority (Housing Authority or Grantee) has awarded a grant from the HOPE VI grant that the Housing Authority received from HUD. The subgrantee is accountable to the Housing Authority for the use of the funds provided, but the Housing Authority is ultimately accountable to HUD.
- **Contractors:** This includes any for-profit contractor, consultant, service provider, or supplier that the Housing Authority contracts with for goods or services on any HOPE VI project.

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Certification and Assurance: The subgrantee or contractor executing this certification hereby assures and certifies that it will comply with all of the applicable requirements of the following, as the same may be amended from time to time, including adding appropriate provisions to all contracts between Grantee and for-profit Subgrantees or Contractors:

- (1) Administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate. (Contracts more than the simplified acquisition threshold)
- (2) Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000)
- (3) Compliance with Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, entitled “Equal Employment Opportunity,” as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR chapter 60). (All construction contracts awarded in excess of \$10,000 by grantees and their contractors or subgrantees)
- (4) Compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 3). (All contracts and subgrants for construction or repair)
- (5) Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a to 276a-7) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5). (Construction contracts in excess of \$2000 awarded by grantees and subgrantees when required by Federal grant program legislation)
- (6) Compliance with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-330) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5). (Construction contracts awarded by grantees and subgrantees in excess of \$2000, and in excess of \$2500 for other contracts which involve the employment of mechanics or laborers)
- (7) Notice of awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting.
- (8) Notice of awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to patent

rights with respect to any discovery or invention which arises or is developed in the course of or under such contract.

- (9) Awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to copyrights and rights in data.
- (10) Access by the grantee, the subgrantee, the Federal grantor agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the contractor which are directly pertinent to that specific contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- (11) Retention of all required records for three years after grantees or subgrantees make final payments and all other pending matters are closed.
- (12) Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). (Contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000).
- (13) Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871).

The information contained in this certification is true and accurate, to the best of my knowledge.

Name of Subgrantee or Contractor	Name and Contract Number:	
Signature of Authorized Certifying Official:	Title:	Date:

WARNING: Section 1001 of the Title 18 of the United States Code (Criminal Code and Criminal Procedure, 72 Stat.967) applies to this certification. 18 U.S.C. 1001, among other things, provides that whoever knowingly and willfully makes or uses a document or writing knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, in any matter within jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States, shall be fined no more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both.

Return this form to:
Seattle Housing Authority
Attn: Johnny Le, Purchasing
PO Box 79015
Seattle, WA 98119

Attachment B

INFORMATIONAL EXHIBITS

Please review the attached "HUD Section 3 Information and Section 3 Forms" and complete any of the forms that are applicable to your firm and submit them as a separate package with your Proposal.



101 Elliott Avenue W, Suite 100
PO Box 79015
Seattle, WA 98119

206-615-3300
Seattlehousing.org

HUD Section 3 Information and Section 3 Forms

To: Vendors/Contractors/Consultants of the Seattle Housing Authority of the City of Seattle

Re: Updates to HUD's Section 3 Regulations

As you are probably aware, Section 3 is a federally mandated program of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Under Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, federal funds invested in housing and community development shall provide contracts, employment, training, and other economic opportunities to low- and very low-income persons in the local jurisdiction, referred to as "Section 3 Workers," and to businesses that employ such persons, referred to as a "Section 3 Business Concern."

HUD's regulations implementing the requirements of Section 3 were updated in 2020 to create more effective incentives for employers to retain and invest in their low- and very low-income workers, streamline reporting requirements by aligning them with typical business practices, provide for program-specific oversight, and clarify the obligations of entities (including SHA) that are covered by Section 3. SHA complies with Section 3 within its own operations and ensures the compliance of its vendors, contractors and consultants.

The updated rule establishes these benchmarks:

1. Twenty-five (25) percent or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers employed with public housing financial assistance in the Public Housing Authority's or other recipient's fiscal year are Section 3 Workers;
2. Of which Five (5) percent or more are Targeted Section 3 Workers.

The updated rule includes the following definitions:

1. Section 3 Worker means any worker who currently fits or when hired within the past five years fit at least one of the following categories, as documented:
 - a. The worker's income for the previous or annualized calendar year is below the income limit established by HUD. HUD's income limits can be obtained from: [Income Limits | HUD USER](#);
 - b. The worker is employed by a Section 3 Business Concern; or
 - c. The worker is a YouthBuild participant.
2. For Section 3 projects, a Targeted Section 3 Worker means a Section 3 worker who:

- a. Is employed by a Section 3 Business Concern; or
 - b. Currently fits or when hired fit at least one of the following categories, as documented within the past five years:
 - i. A resident of public housing or Section 8-assisted housing;
 - ii. A resident of other public housing projects or Section 8-assisted housing managed by the Public Housing Authority that is providing the assistance; or
 - iii. A YouthBuild participant.
3. Section 3 Business Concern means a business concern meeting at least one of the following criteria, documented within the last six-month period:
- a. It is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons;
 - b. Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period are performed by Section 3 Workers; or
 - c. It is a business at least 51 percent owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing.

The following forms are to be used for reporting Section 3 compliance:

- Section 3 Business Concern Certification for Contracting form (*This form is for any business to use to self-certify, if applicable, as a Section 3 Business Concern.*)
- Section 3 Worker and Targeted Section 3 Worker Self-Certification form (*This form is for individuals to use to self-certify as a Section 3 or Targeted Section 3 Worker.*)
- Section 3 Quarterly Reporting Form for SHA Contracts (*This form is to be completed quarterly by the prime consultant / contractor and sent to purchasing@seattlehousing.org by not later than 30 days after end of the quarter. The form lists the total hours worked by all for that quarterly period for the contract and shows how many of those hours were by Section 3 or Targeted Section 3 Workers.*)

We have attached the forms mentioned above for your review. If any of these forms apply to your firm or any of your team members, please complete the applicable form(s) and submit with your one original Proposal document.

Please contact purchasing@seattlehousing.org if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Housing Authority of the City of Seattle

SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Section 3 Business Concern Certification for Contracting

Instructions: Enter the following information and select the criteria that applies to certify your business' Section 3 Business Concern status.

Business Information

Name of Business _____

Address of Business _____

Name of Business Owner _____

Phone Number & Email Address of Business Owner _____

Preferred Contact Information

Same as above

Name of Preferred Contact _____

Phone Number of Preferred Contact _____

Type of Business (select from the following options)

- Corporation Partnership Sole Proprietorship
 Limited Liability Company Other (*please specify*) _____

Select from *ONE* of the following three options below that applies:

- At least 51 percent of the business is owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons (Refer to income guidelines on page 3).
 At least 51 percent of the business is owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing.
 Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period are performed by Section 3 workers (Refer to definition on page 3).

Business Concern Affirmation: I affirm that the above statements (on page 1 of this form) are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that businesses who misrepresent themselves as Section 3 business concerns and report false information to the Housing Authority of the City of Seattle may have their contracts terminated for default and be barred from ongoing and future considerations for contracting opportunities. I hereby certify, under penalty of law, that the following information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

*Certification expires within six months of the date of signature. More info on Section 3 Business Concerns can be found at [24 CFR 75.5](#)

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Is the business a Section 3 business concern based upon their certification?

YES **NO**

EMPLOYERS MUST RETAIN THIS FORM IN THEIR SECTION 3 COMPLIANCE FILE FOR FIVE YEARS.

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Section 3 Income Limits

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Section 3 Income Limits Eligibility Guidelines

The worker's income must be at or below the amount provided below for an individual (household of 1) regardless of actual household size.

FY 2024 Income Limits Summary

FY 2024 Income Limit Area	Median Family Income Click for More Detail	FY 2024 Income Limit Category	Persons in Family							
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Seattle-Bellevue, WA HUD Metro FMR Area	\$147,400	Very Low (50%) Income Limits (\$) Click for More Detail	52,700	60,250	67,800	75,350	81,400	87,450	93,400	99,450
		Extremely Low Income Limits (\$)* Click for More Detail	31,650	36,200	40,700	45,200	48,850	52,450	56,050	59,700
		Low (80%) Income Limits (\$) Click for More Detail	77,700	88,800	99,900	110,950	119,850	128,750	137,600	146,500

NOTE: HUD generally uses the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) area definitions in the calculation of income limit program parameters. However, to ensure that program parameters do not vary significantly due to area definition changes, HUD has used custom geographic definitions for the **Seattle-Bellevue, WA HUD Metro FMR Area**.

The **Seattle-Bellevue, WA HUD Metro FMR Area** contains the following areas: King County, WA; and Snohomish County, WA.

See <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html> for most recent income limits.

Section 3 Worker Definition:

- A low or very low-income resident (the worker's income for the previous or annualized calendar year is below the income limit established by HUD); OR
- Employed by a Section 3 business concern; OR
- A YouthBuild participant.

Targeted Section 3 Worker Definition:

- Employed by a Section 3 business concern; OR
 - Currently fits at least one of the following categories as documented within the past five years:
 - A resident of Seattle Housing Authority public housing or Section 8-assisted housing;
 - A resident of other public housing projects or Section 8-assisted housing managed by the public housing authority that is providing the assistance; OR
 - A YouthBuild participant.
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Section 3 Worker and Targeted Section 3 Worker Self-Certification Form

The purpose of HUD's Section 3 program is to provide employment, training and contracting opportunities to low-income individuals, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing or other public assistance programs. **Your response is voluntary, confidential, and has no effect on your employment.**

Eligibility for Section 3 Worker or Targeted Section 3 Worker Status

A Section 3 worker seeking certification shall self-certify and submit this form to the recipient contractor or subcontractor, that the person is a Section 3 worker or Targeted Section 3 Worker as defined in 24 CFR Part 75.

Instructions: Enter/select the appropriate information to confirm your Section 3 worker or Targeted Section 3 Worker status.

Employee Name: _____

1. Are you a resident of public housing or a Housing Choice Voucher Holder (Section 8)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
2. Are you a YouthBuild participant?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
3. Check the box for the county where you reside. <input type="checkbox"/> King County <input type="checkbox"/> Pierce County <input type="checkbox"/> Snohomish County <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
4. In the field below, select the amount of individual income you believe you earn on an annual basis.	

- Less than \$10,000 \$30,000 - \$40,000 More than \$60,000
 \$10,001 - \$20,000 \$40,001 - \$50,000
 \$20,001 - \$30,000 \$50,001 - \$60,000

Select from **ONE** of the following two options below:

I qualify as a:

- Section 3 Worker (as defined on the Section 3 Income Limits Eligibility Guideline)
 Targeted Section 3 Worker (as defined on the Section 3 Income Limits Eligibility Guideline)

Employee Affirmation

I affirm that the above statements (on the previous page) are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I hereby certify, under penalty of law, that the following information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Employee Address: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Is the employee a Section 3 worker based upon their self-certification?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Is the employee a Targeted Section 3 worker based upon their self-certification?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Was this an applicant who was hired as a result of the Section 3 project?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
If YES, what was the name of the company? _____	
What was the date of hire? _____	
EMPLOYERS MUST RETAIN THIS FORM IN THEIR SECTION 3 COMPLIANCE FILE FOR FIVE YEARS.	

Section 3 Employer Certification Form - Public Housing

Name of Business	Street Address	City	State	Zip	Phone #	E-Mail

Name of Worker(s)	Street Address	City	State	Zip	Phone #	E-Mail	Wage Rate is Below Projected Annual Income Limit (Y/N)*	Worker is Employed by Section 3 Business Concern (Y/N)**	Is Worker a "Targeted Section 3 Worker" (Y/N)***

If you need more lines above, highlight this row and the row above this, then left click the highlighted rows and select unhide.

- * Worker's income from employment is below the income limit based on a calculation of what the worker's wage rate would translate to if annualized on a full-time basis (hourly wage rate x 2080 hours) **(USE WORKER'S BASE HOURLY RATE NOT INCLUDING FRINGE BENEFITS)**
- ** Worker is employed by a Section 3 Business Concern (Select if your business qualifies as a Section 3 Business Concern)
- *** For Section 3 projects, a Targeted Section 3 Worker means a Section 3 Worker who is:
 - A resident of Public Housing or Section 8-assisted housing managed by the Public Housing Authority that is providing the assistance; or
 - A YouthBuild participant

I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct and certify that the worker(s) identified above meets the definition of a Section 3 Worker.

WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 USC 287, 1001, 1010, 1012; 31USC 3729, 3802)

Signature

Date

