

Faith-Based Resource Parent (Foster and Adoptive) Recruitment Services

Questions & Answers

1. Will a response to questions submitted after the deadline be provided?

ANSWER: No. Any question received after the deadline will not be addressed.

2. Do you want two separate proposals for the African American and Latino demographic groups?

ANSWER: Yes. A separate proposal for each of the two demographic groups identified in Part A, Section 2.0 must be submitted.

3. Can the Required Forms be completed electronically?

ANSWER: Yes. Part D Proposal Submission Packet is a PDF fill-able document.

4. Can you elaborate on the North County/South County Councils?

ANSWER: Two Inter-faith Recruitment Councils shall be established, one in North Los Angeles County and one in South Los Angeles County for the purpose of developing and implementing Resource Parent recruitment programs on an on-going basis and to recruit other faith-based organizations to do the same. The Inter-faith Recruitment Councils are to meet with individuals from faith-based organizations who indicate an interest in being part of the Diligent Recruitment efforts. The meetings are held for the purpose of collaborating, communicating and exchanging ideas. Each Inter-faith Recruitment Council must meet no less than once every other month.

5. Will the Inter-faith Recruitment Councils be divided by ethnicity?

ANSWER: No. The Inter-faith Recruitment Councils are divided geographically.

6. In the event there are two Contractors, how will councils be handled?

ANSWER: The two Contractors would have to corroborate with each other to facilitate the two Inter-faith Recruitment Councils.

7. Are the recruiters the individuals who will facilitate Inter-faith Recruitment Councils?

ANSWER: Yes.

8. Can you explain Form #10, Revenue Disclosure?

ANSWER: The form is used to disclose the agency's income and resources.

9. Is the Proposer's Pricing scoring based on services?

ANSWER: No. Services will be evaluated and scored as indicated in Part E, Selection Process and Evaluation Criteria, section 3.0, Proposal Evaluation.

The Proposer will also be evaluated on its ability to offer competitive pricing for the services set forth in the SOW. The Proposer's pricing must be reasonable for the services set forth in the SOW and shall be firm offers and may not be withdrawn for a period of 365 days following the last day to submit proposals.

The lowest price proposal will receive the maximum number of possible points. All other proposals will be compared to the lowest price and points awarded accordingly. Additionally, an evaluation will be conducted on the Proposer's submitted detailed line item budget and narrative.

10. What contributes to the highest point award? What is the criteria?

ANSWER: As indicated in Part E, Selection Process and Evaluation Criteria, the Proposal with the highest combined score based on the results of Part Two, Part Three and Part Four, will be awarded a contract.

11. Will we receive answers to all of the questions submitted or only the questions we submitted?

ANSWER: Yes. All of the submitted questions with the respective answers will be made available to everyone who attended the Proposer's Conference, posted on the County's Website and will be mailed to everyone on the mailing list.

12. Are proposals submitted for Geographic location or population?

ANSWER: No. See response to question #2.

13. Do you want 24 families per year for each population?

ANSWER: No. Part H, Statement of Work, subsection 5.2.8 indicates that ten African-American, ten Latino and four LGBTQ are required to become Resource Parents each year.

14. What if the numbers come in at eight for African American, 12 for Latino and four for LGBTQ?

ANSWER: As long as the agency is trying to outreach in all three communities and the recruiter is culturally competent within the three communities, variances in the numbers are acceptable.

15. If the Contractor is not an FFA can the families be processed through an FFA?

ANSWER: The Contractor would be recruiting for DCFS, however, if a family independently determines that they want to go through an FFA that would also be acceptable.

16. Should the monthly report be developed and submitted with the proposal?

ANSWER: No.

17. Other than the oral interview, how would we elaborate our recruitment plan in the proposal?

ANSWER: Form 4, Proposer's Questionnaire, is your opportunity to elaborate on your recruitment plan

18. Why did this proposal come out so late after the grant was awarded?

ANSWER: The Solicitation had to be developed and reviewed.

19. Will the funding be decreased since the contract is starting so late?

ANSWER: No. Funding is secure for the term of the contract.