

INVITATION TO BID

The Housing Authority of the County of Armstrong (the Housing Authority) will receive sealed bids for the **Exterior Lighting Upgrades Program** located at various Housing Authority properties throughout Armstrong County, PA until 11:00 a.m. local prevailing time on **Friday, January 14, 2022**, at the Housing Authority's Administrative Office, 350 South Jefferson Street, Kittanning, PA 16201, at which time and place the Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for the project. Bids must be sealed and shall be marked as follows:

Exterior Lighting Upgrades Program
Bid Documents - Electrical Construction
Attn: Ms. Marty Sutton, Executive Director

The name and address of the Contractor submitting the bid should also be clearly labeled on the outside of each bid envelope.

The project consists of the installation of exterior lighting at the Housing Authority owned apartment complexes located throughout Armstrong County, Pennsylvania.

Bids must be on a combined lump-sum basis; separate Bids for individual trades will not be accepted. Project is to be substantially completed within 150 calendar days from the date of the Notice to Proceed. This contract is federally assisted. The Contractor must comply with the Davis-Bacon Act.

A complete set of Bidding Documents may be reviewed and obtained at the office of the Consultant, Stiffler McGraw & Associates by appointment at the Indiana Office – Suite 001 Old Borough Hall, 39 N. 7th Street, Indiana, PA 15701. Please call (724) 717-6925 to schedule a time. Bidding Documents are also available at the Hollidaysburg Office – 1731 N. Juniata Street, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648 beginning on **December 23, 2021**. Only a Contractor obtaining Bid Documents from the Consultant will be considered to be a registered bidder.

The Bidding Documents are available for purchase by Prime Contract Bidders for the non-refundable sum of \$50.00 or a digital set of bidding documents are available in pdf format for the sum of \$25.00 per CD with all checks made payable to "Stiffler McGraw & Associates". Incomplete sets of Bidding Documents will not be issued. A non-refundable postage and handling charge of \$10.00 per printed set and \$5.00 per CD will be added for each set or CD that is mailed to Bidders. Payment must be received before documents will be released. The Housing Authority and Consultant assume no responsibility for delay or loss due to mailing.

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Project Review will be held to answer questions on Scope of Work, and to familiarize bidders with existing conditions, site locations, and other relevant information. Conference will be held at the Housing Authority's Administrative Office, **350 South Jefferson Street Kittanning, PA** at 10:00 a.m. local prevailing time on **Tuesday, January 4, 2022 in the Conference Room**.

A certified check or bank draft, made payable to the order of "Housing Authority of the County of Armstrong", U.S. Government Bonds, or a satisfactory Bid Security (Bid Bond) executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety, in the amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the total Bid, must accompany the Bid in accordance with the Instruction To Bidders. No Bid Surety shall be waived or returned because the Bidder has failed or cannot comply with any requirements set forth in the plans, specifications or any applicable statutes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any applicable municipal ordinances. A Bid may not be modified, withdrawn or cancelled by the Bidder within sixty (60) calendar days following the time and date designated for the receipt of Bids, without the written consent of the Housing Authority. The surety must be a Guarantee or a Surety Company acceptable to the U.S. Government as published in the U.S. Treasury Circular No.576 and must be licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish and pay for an assurance of completion of project in the form of Payment and Performance Bonds, each in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price; a cash escrow in the amount of twenty percent (20%) of the Contract Price; or an irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of twenty-five percent (25%) of the Contract Price.

Attention is called to all Bidders that all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity requirements for federally-assisted construction contracts must be complied with. This includes strict compliance with Executive Order 11246, as amended (establishing a goal of 6.9% for female employment and 1.3% minority percentage by craft); Nondiscrimination; Executive Order 11625, Minority Business Enterprise; Executive Order 12138, Women Business Enterprise; Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968; Civil Rights Act of 1964; Minority Business Participation; and HUD Wage Rate Determination.

Notice is hereby given that this is a Section 3 covered project and that the area has been defined as a Section 3 area. The Housing Authority promotes the utilization of business concerns which are located in or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the Section 3 area and promotes job training and employment opportunities for qualified, lower income, Section 3 area residents. Any qualified Section 3 business may make written request to the HACA to obtain a list of all potential bidders in order to facilitate their ability to make their services known to these potential bidders.

The Housing Authority of the County of Armstrong reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject Bids.

By order of the:

Housing Authority of the County of Armstrong
Ms. Marty Sutton, Executive Director

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