

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District ("District") will receive sealed bids for the following project, Bid No. **17-267.2.2 SMHS 37 Classroom Modernization** ("Project" or "Contract"):

The Project consists of:

Alteration and renovation of the existing buildings 230, 240, 330, 334, 350, and 360.

New architectural finishes will be provided including: flooring, carpeting, ceilings, wall coverings, and paint.

New power and data will be provided in each of the classrooms, staff room, and offices for this building, as noted.

An updated fire alarm layout and devices will be provided.

New mechanical systems will be provided for buildings 330, 350, Library Building, and Art Building. Additionally, new mechanical systems will be provided for portions of buildings 500, Swim, and the Small Gymnasium. This will include new heating and cooling units, air registers, and new distribution systems in limited areas, as more defined in the Bid Documents.

To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to possess one or more of the following State of California contractors' license(s): **B**

The Bidder's license(s) must remain active and in good standing throughout the term of the Contract.

To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to be registered as a public works contractor with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to the Labor Code.

Bid/Contract Documents will be available electronically on or after October 25, 2024 via email request to **SSDBids@smjuhsd.org**. Please request documents by including the project number and name. In addition, Contract Documents are available for bidders' review at several builders' exchanges and plan rooms including:

- Tri-Co Reprographics
- SLO County Builder's Exchange
- Construction Bidboard/Ebidboard
- Dodge Data & Analytics

Sealed bids will be received until **2:00:00 PM, November 22, 2024** at the District Facilities Office, 2560 Skyway Drive, Santa Maria, California 93455 at or after which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Any bid that is submitted after this time shall be nonresponsive and returned to the bidder. Any claim by a bidder of error in its bid must be made in compliance with section 5100 et seq. of the Public Contract Code.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 20111.6, only prequalified bidders will be eligible to submit a bid for contracts \$1 million or more using or planning to use state bond funds. Any bid submitted by a bidder who is not prequalified shall be non-responsive and returned unopened to the bidder. Moreover, any bid listing subcontractors holding C-4, C-7, C-10, C-16, C-20, C-34, C-36, C-38, C-42, C-43 or C-46 licenses for the performance of electrical, mechanical or plumbing components who have not been prequalified shall be deemed nonresponsive. **The prequalification application can be accessed at www.qualitybidders.com**; further information about the prequalification process is posted on the District website at www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us.

In order to be prequalified in time to bid or propose on a particular project, however, Contractors must submit the prequalification questionnaire and financial statement no later than **11:59 PM, November 6th, 2024**, ten (10) business days before the date fixed for public opening of sealed bids or submission of proposals for the project and must be deemed prequalified by the District no later than **5:00:00PM, November 14, 2024**, five (5) business days before the date fixed for public opening of sealed bids or submitted proposals for the project. (Public Contract Code §20111.6).

All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, the Instructions to Bidders.

A bid bond by an admitted surety insurer on the form provided by the District a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn to the order of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price, shall accompany the Bid Form and Proposal, as a guarantee that the Bidder will, within seven (7) calendar days after the date of the Notice of Award, enter into a contract with the District for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid.

A **mandatory** pre-bid conference and site visit will be held **on November 4, 2024, at 2:30:00 PM. at Santa Maria High School, 901 S. Broadway, Santa Maria, California.** All participants are to meet at **Gate 18, located off S. Thornburg Street near the baseball field.** Some onsite parking will be available, but it is not guaranteed. The site visit is expected to take approximately an hour and a half (1-1/2 hours). **Failure to attend or tardiness will render bid ineligible.**

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if it is awarded the Contract for the Work.

The successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall comply with sections 2449, 2449.1, 2449.2 of Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations, including by providing Certificate(s) of Reported Compliance for In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets for the fleet selected for the contract and their listed subcontractors, if applicable, with its bid.

The successful Bidder may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract, in accordance with the provisions of section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

The successful Bidder will be required to certify that it either meets the Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise ("DVBE") goal of three percent (3%) participation or made a good faith effort to solicit DVBE participation in this Contract if it is awarded the Contract for the Work.

The Contractor and all Subcontractors under the Contractor shall pay all workers on all Work performed pursuant to this Contract not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to section 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code. Prevailing wage rates are also available from the District or on the Internet at: <<http://www.dir.ca.gov>>.

This Project is subject to labor compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1771.4 and subject to the requirements of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations. The successful Bidder shall comply with all requirements of Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, Articles 1-5 of the Labor Code.

The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible bidder based on the base bid amount only.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening.

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