



Notice of Intent to Award

Solicitation Number	366375	Award Date	8/16/2024 8:44 AM CDT
Solicitation Title	Provide Educational Material for Limitless Libraries		
Buyer Name	Marissa Conklin	Buyer Email	Marissa.Conklin@nashville.gov
BAO Rep	Christopher Wood	BAO Email	Christopher.Wood@nashville.gov

Awarded Supplier(s)

In reference to the above solicitation and contingent upon successful contract negotiation, it is the intent of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to award to the following supplier(s):

Company Name	Mackin Book Company dba Mackin Educational Resources	Company Contact	Jennifer McCarty Plucker
Street Address	3505 County Road 42 West		
City	Burnsville	State	MN
		Zipcode	55306

Company Name		Company Contact	
Street Address			
City		State	
		Zipcode	

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City		State	
		Zipcode	

Certificate of Insurance

The awarded supplier(s) must submit a certificate of insurance (COI) indicating all applicable coverage required by the referenced solicitation. The COI should be emailed to the referenced buyer no more than 15 days after the referenced award date.

Equal Business Opportunity Program

Where applicable, the awarded supplier(s) must submit a signed copy of the letter of intent to perform for any and all minority-owned (MBE) or woman-owned (WBE) subcontractors included in the solicitation response. The letter(s) should be emailed to the referenced business assistance office (BAO) rep no more than two business days after the referenced award date.

Yes, the EBO Program is applicable. No, the EBO Program is not applicable.

Monthly Reporting

Where applicable, the awarded supplier(s) will be required monthly to submit evidence of participation and payment to all small (SBE), minority-owned (MBE), women-owned (WBE), LGBT-owned (LGBTBE), and service disabled veteran owned (SDV) subcontractors. Sufficient evidence may include, but is not necessarily limited to copies of subcontracts, purchase orders, applications for payment, invoices, and cancelled checks.

Questions related to contract compliance may be directed to the referenced BAO rep.

Yes, monthly reporting is applicable. No, monthly reporting is not applicable.

Public Information and Records Retention

Solicitation and award documentation are available upon request. Please email the referenced buyer to arrange.

A copy of this notice will be placed in the solicitation file and sent to all offerors.

Right to Protest

Per MCL 4.36.010 – any actual or prospective bidder, offeror, or contractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract may protest to the purchasing agent. The protest shall be submitted in writing within ten (10) days after such aggrieved person knows or should have known of the facts giving rise thereto.

 Assistant Purchasing Agent (Initial)

Dennis Rowland
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 Purchasing Agent & Chief Procurement Officer

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Evaluation Committee Scoring Sheet

	Children's Plus, Inc	Mackin Book Company dba Mackin Educational Resources
Offeror		
Contract Acceptance (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes
Qualifications and Experience (20)	10.00	20.00
Methodology, Approach and Capacity to Perform (25)	12.00	25.00
Demonstration (40)	10.00	38.00
Total Evaluation Scores	32.00	83.00

Evaluation Comments

Children's Plus, Inc
Strengths
In qualifications and experience section, listed Great experience. In Methodology section, great details. In demonstration section, working website, detailed just not what we buy or are looking for.
Weaknesses
In qualifications and experience section, 2 out of the 3 projects don't apply (they are classroom and home libraries). Only 420,000 titles given, scope is different sizes than what we are looking for. In Methodology section, turnaround times were very vague, details listed as projects and not on going relationship for multiple years. In demonstration section, access only to public library not school level, some books were missing reviews, can't download to an Excel spreadsheet.
Mackin Book Company dba Mackin Educational Resources
Strengths
In qualifications and experience section, over 3 million titles listed, great experience, very detailed, similar scopes and on-going projects. In Methodology section, detailed, 8 step plans, detailed numbers such as their turnaround times and deliveries. In demonstration section, very specific, showed everything, website was great.
Weaknesses
In the demonstration, did have 1 shipping error before.

Solicitation Title & Number		RFP Cost Points
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Offeror's Name	Total Bid Amount	RFP Cost Points
Mackin Book Company dba Mackin Educational Resources	\$1,845,000.00	15.00
Due to not meeting scoring expectations in Round 2, Children's Plus, Inc was not invited to Round 3 which resulted in the scoring section.		



**Notice
Unacceptable Offer**

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Unacceptable Offer

The following supplier has submitted an offer that is unacceptable:

Company Name	Children's Plus, Inc	Company Contact	Ansley Walsh		
Street Address	1387 Dutch American Way				
City	Beecher	State	IL	Zipcode	60401

Suppliers with unacceptable offers will not be considered for award.

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