



Finance Department
Purchasing Division

INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)
Specification No. 21-11450-C
FOR
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS IN COVID-19 RESPONSE
ADDENDUM “B”
May 26, 2021

Dear Proposer:

Questions received from proposers along with answers are attached.

Proposals must be received no later than 2:00 pm, on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. All responses should be sent via email to purchasing@cityofberkeley.info and have “**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS IN COVID-19 RESPONSE**” and **Specification No. 21-11450-C** indicated in the subject line of the email. Please submit one (1) PDF of the technical proposal. Corresponding cost proposal shall be submitted as a separate PDF document titled **21-11450-C Price Proposal – (insert Company Name)**.

Proposals will not be accepted after the date and time stated above.

We look forward to receiving and reviewing your proposal.

Sincerely,

Darryl Sweet
General Services Manager

Addendum “B”

Questions and Answers for Specification No. 21-11450-C COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS IN COVID-19 RESPONSE

The City of Berkeley has received a question from potential respondents regarding:

Specification No. 21-11450-C, COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS IN COVID-19 RESPONSE

In an effort to provide the same information to all, listed below is the question received to date, with response from City staff.

Q1: Can you confirm that for-profit organizations are eligible applicants (regarding pg. 4 of the RFP packet)?

A1: **The following are eligible for contracts with these funds: community-based organizations, academic institutions, private laboratories, other non-commercial healthcare entities, and/or commercial entities.**

Q2: Item #2 under ***Outreach, Education and Engagement***: Can the COB describe the expected coordination process between COB and vendor in more detail? For example, would COB provide a list of individuals to the vendor for follow-up, or would the vendor be expected to generate the list of individuals?

A2: **Organizations will be selected with the expectation that they will provide outreach, education and engagement to target populations that they have expertise in serving. Selected organizations will develop educational and outreach materials in coordination with the City to ensure accuracy of public health messaging.**

Q3: Item #2 under ***Outreach, Education and Engagement***: Is the calendar of events focused more on compiling existing community activities or generating events/activities?

A3: **The calendar of events should represent events where the organization will be providing outreach, education and engagement regarding the prevention of COVID-19. These events could be initiated by the organization or another entity as appropriate for the population proposed to be served.**

Q4: Item #2 under ***Outreach, Education and Engagement***: Can we coordinate in-home vaccinations for shut-ins without “medical diagnosis that clearly meets bed bound, non-mobile definition”?

A4: **Target populations include: home-bound older adults, older adults in congregate settings, or senior housing residents or settings.**

Hosting pop-up/ mobile vaccination and testing clinics are part of the services sought in this RFP. If you have identified a need for in-home vaccination services, you may describe the need and your proposal to meet the need in your application.

Q5: Item #2 under ***Isolation Support Services***: Is the “daily check-in” an in-person check-in or virtual/phone-based?

A5: **Services should be provided in a manner that supports compliance with isolation.**

- Q6: Item #2 under **Isolation Support Services**: For Isolation/Quarantine support, approximately how many individuals or households per week are in need of this follow-up?
- A6: **Public Health staff estimate that about 5% of COVID-19 cases need some level of isolation support. For a recent example to total cases, there have been 54 cases between May 1 and May 24, 2021. You can review the cases data for the City of Berkeley here: [COVID-19 dashboard - City of Berkeley, CA](#)**
- Q7: Item #2 under **Isolation Support Services**: Will COB provide hotel and food funds? Will the hotels be on contract with the city?
- A7: **Hotel and food funds are available as part of this grant. Currently, hotels are not under contract with the City for these services. The City does not anticipate entering into contracts with hotels.**
- Q8: Who will respond if health conditions worsen? What type of transportation will be provided if medical attention is necessary, but EMS is not? For example, if someone needs a doctor, but does NOT need an ambulance, who will transport them?
- A8: **Transportation services included in this grant are for transporting those served by the grant to outreach, vaccination or testing events. Isolation services in this grant are aimed at ensuring compliance with isolation and do not include medical intervention.**

Except as provided herein all other terms and conditions remain unchanged.