

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Berkeley Unified School District of Alameda County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board, invites and will receive sealed bids up to but not later than the date and time listed below for the furnishing of all labor, engineering, materials, equipment and services required for:

Project # 200.1301 –Franklin & King Preschools Expansion Project

The work of this project **two separate preschool sites to be constructed simultaneously. Each site involves preparing site utilities, foundation work, landscaping, site fencing and hardscape for the installation of prefabricated modular buildings, pre-purchased by the District from Enviroplex, inc.. Contractor will complete the installation of fire alarm, electrical tie-in, telecommunications, signage, permanent door hardware and installation of all other materials and equipment called in the documents that are not the work of the modular building manufacturer.** Work shall begin by **June 6, 2014**, and shall be completed no later than **August 21, 2014**.

A MANDATORY prebid conference/job walk will be held on February 5, 2014: 10:00 am at King CDC, 1939 Ward Street, and then 10:45 am at Franklin, 1460 Eighth Street, Berkeley, CA.

Sealed bids will be received until **3:00 p.m., March 6, 2014**, in the Purchasing Office, at 2020 Bonar Street, Berkeley, CA 94702. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud and officially recorded at or about that hour.

All bids shall be on a bid form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to the contract documents. Plans and specifications may be purchased at the Purchasing Office at 2020 Bonar Street, Berkeley, Ca.

A bid bond, cashier's check or certified check in the amount of 10% of the total proposal shall accompany the bid proposal, drawn to the order of the Berkeley Unified School District, as a guarantee that the bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days after being notified of the acceptance of his bid, enter into a contract with the Board of Education for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid. Bidders may not withdraw bids for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for opening of bids.

The district shall retain **10%** of each progress payment as it falls due to ensure performance of all work covered by the contract. In accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code, the contractor will be permitted to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the contract. Performance and payment bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract price will be required of the successful bidder.

The Contract, if awarded, will be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder who meets or exceeds the District's specifications and is able to verify that he/she is qualified to do this work, and whose bid is the lowest on the Base.

The contractor and all subcontractors under him, shall pay all laborers, workers, and mechanics on all work included in 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 locality in which the work is to be performed (to wit) within the boundaries of the Berkeley Unified School District, pursuant to Sections 1770 to 1773.7, inclusive, State of California Labor Code. Per diem wages are based upon a working day of eight (8) hours. The rate for holiday and overtime work shall be not less than one and one-half (1½) of the basic rate of pay. Prevailing wage rates are available at the District's Facilities Department or on the Internet at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.

Bidders must be contractors properly licensed **B** to perform the work of this project with an active license in good standing as of the date of receipt of bids. The license must be issued by the Contractors' State License Board of California and must be maintained in good standing through the term of the contract.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or any or all items, alternates or propositions of such bids, or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding.

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