REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS

Original Date Issued: 1/1/2024

Closing Date: 3/14/2024 (5:00pm ET)

Anticipated Award Date: 3/15/2024

Anticipated Period of Performance: 5/1/2024-7/10/2024

Subject: Request for Quotation No. ICMAHO/ICMA LGE Awards Contractor/2024

The International City/County Management Association (ICMA) seeks quotes from eligible Offerors for professional services for ICMA in Washington, D.C, to be completed remotely. ICMA anticipates awarding one (1) single award a result of this solicitation. ICMA reserves the right to award more or fewer awards than anticipated above.

Technical questions concerning this solicitation should be directed to Joyce Lee, Senior Program Manager, ICMA Local Government Excellence Awards at jlee@icma.org. All contractual questions relating to this solicitation must be submitted to Representative, Grants and Contracts Administration at [workwithus@icma.org](mailto:tjohnson@icma.org).

All communications must include the solicitation title, ICMAHO/ICMA LGE Awards Contractor/2024, in the subject line.

No communication intended to influence this procurement is permitted except by contacting the designated contacts above. Contacting anyone other than the designated contacts (either directly by the Offeror or indirectly through a lobbyist or other person acting on the Offeror’s behalf) in an attempt to influence this procurement: (1) may result in a Offeror being deemed a non-responsive Offeror, and (2) may result in the Offeror not being awarded a contract.

This solicitation in no way obligates ICMA to award a contract nor does it commit ICMA to pay any cost incurred in the preparation and submission of a quotation.

ICMA bears no responsibility for data errors resulting from transmission or conversion processes.

ICMA appreciates your responsiveness and look forward to a mutually beneficial business relationship.

Sincerely,

Joyce Lee, Senior Program Manager, ICMA Local Government Excellence Awards INSERT NAME AND TITLE OF PD OR LT

**PURPOSE**

Contractor will rework and edit various narratives highlighting ICMA’s award recipients for publication in PM magazine and [icma.org](https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=http%3a%2f%2ficma.org&c=E,1,YKQhXJuGI4M7nJY5BHahJp_bRzN2ybfH-1_uxd4jPQB9rY0uaoP64nr8VZXLluKY5gzUTbIZpd3KY0V_CgTv33Tt-nHth8eyl7mr3wA3_YB5xFh_uOKyBw,,&typo=1).

**Specific Activities:** Writing, proofing, and copy editing, including editing for grammar, relevancy, and sentence structure in conformance with the ICMA style guide. Contractor will ensure accuracy of all information presented in the narratives by submitting proposed copy to each recipient before submitting to ICMA (may need to interview recipients during the process).

* Approximately nineteen narratives for Local Government Excellence Awards. (600 words each)
* Maximum of four narratives for Distinguished Service Awards. (600 words each)
* One to three narratives for Honorary Member Award. (600 words)
* Approximately 25-30 brief biographical employment details for senior level (45 years+) service award recipients. (90 words each)

**INSTRUCTIONS TO THE OFFERORS**

Offerors interested in providing the services described above should submit a package following the prescribed format in the Submission Requirements section of this RFQ.

Adherence to the quotation format by all Offerors will ensure a fair evaluation with regard to the needs of ICMA. Offerors who do not follow the prescribed format may be deemed non-responsive. A letter transmitting the quotation must be signed by an officer of the firm authorized to bind the Offeror as required by this solicitation.

1. Signed transmission letter.
2. Package no more than 3 pages excluding required forms covering section 1, 2 and 4.
3. Completed and signed required forms, section 3.

Packages must be submitted electronically to Representative, Grants and Contracts Administration at [workwithus@icma.org](mailto:ikaushansky@icma.org) with a copy to Joyce Lee at [jlee@icma.org](mailto:jlee@icma.org) with a subject line noting the RFQ title and number found on the cover page of this RFQ.

Applications received after the closing date stated on the top of the cover page of this RFQ will be rejected.

No phone calls please.

**SPECIFICATIONS AND TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS**The table below contains the technical requirements of the services. Offerors are requested to provide quotations containing the information below on official quotation price format included in the Submission Requiremetns section 4 of this RFQ.

**SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

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| Section 1. Company profile: | Please limit to no more than one (1) page:  Provide a description of your business including the year established  Provide information on company size, number of employees and annual revenue. |
| Section 2: References: | Provide at least two (2) examples of relevant work similar to the specifications found in this RFQ; contact information should include the contact name, phone number, e-mail address, and website address. |
| Section 3: Required Forms | Completed and signed W-9  Completed and signed ICMA Vendor Form |
| Section 4.  Price | Provide pricing for services |

**TYPE OF CONTRACT TO BE AWARDED**

Fixed price per unit or other transactional contract type.

**EVALUATION AND AWARD PROCESS**  
The award will be made to a responsible offeror whose offer follows the RFQ instructions, meets the eligibility requirements, and meets or exceeds the minimum required technical specifications, and is judged to be the best value based on a lowest-price, technically-acceptable basis.

Please note that if there are significant deficiencies regarding responsiveness to the requirements of this RFQ, an offer may be deemed “non-responsive” and thereby disqualified from consideration. ICMA reserves the right to waive immaterial deficiencies at its discretion.

ICMA reserves the right to award under this solicitation without further negotiations. The Offerors are encouraged to offer their best terms and prices with the original submission. It is anticipated that award will be made solely on the basis of these original quotations. However, ICMA reserves the right to conduct any of the following:

* ICMA may conduct negotiations with and/or request clarifications from any offeror prior to award.
* While preference will be given to offerors who can address the full technical requirements of this RFQ, ICMA may issue a partial award or split the award among various offerors, if in the best interest of ICMA.
* ICMA may cancel this RFQ at any time.

The eligibility requirements are listed below:

1. Price: Ability to complete the work within the posted contract amount and not to exceed $7,500 – **20%**
2. Availability:
   1. Must be able to perform the work required May – October 2024. Work will require approximately 5-10 hours/week May-July 2024 and approximately 3/5 hours/week August-October 2024. – **15%**
   2. Must make work hours/days known to ICMA staff and available for inquiries from ICMA staff at those times. – **15%**
   3. Must be willing to contact recipient members to check facts, name spelling, proof copy of their award narratives – **20%**
3. Experience:
   1. Relevant work similar to the specifications found in this RFQ (see Specific Activities) -**15%**
   2. Familiarity with nonprofit/government principles and operating structures -**15%**

**GENERAL CONDITIONS**

Late submissions and submissions lacking the appropriate completed forms will not be considered. Faxed submissions will not be accepted. Submissions will not be accepted at any other ICMA location other than the email address above. If changes are made to this solicitation, notifications will be sent to the primary contact provided to ICMA from each Offeror. ICMA takes no responsibility for effective delivery of the electronic document.

This solicitation does not commit ICMA to award a contract, pay any costs incurred in preparing a quotation, or to procure or contract for services or supplies. ICMA reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submissions received, to negotiate with all qualified sources, or to cancel in part or in its entirety the solicitation when it is in ICMA's best interest.

The Offeror shall disclose any indictment for any alleged felony, or any conviction for a felony within the past five years, under the laws of the United States or any state or territory of the United States, and shall describe circumstances for each. When a Offeror is an association, partnership, corporation, or other organization, this disclosure requirement includes the organization and its officers, partners, and directors or members of any similarly governing body. If an indictment or conviction should come to the attention of ICMA after the award of a contract, ICMA may exercise its stop-work right pending further investigation, or terminate the agreement.

It is ICMA’s Policy that no gifts of any kind and of any value be exchanged between Offerors and ICMA personnel. Discovery of the same will be grounds for disqualification of the Offeror from participation in any ICMA’s procurements and may result in disciplinary actions against ICMA personnel involved in such discovered transactions.

Offeror must disclose any financial or organizational interest – as an employee, consultant, business partner, investor, shareholder, borrower, lender, beneficiary, board member or trustee – in an actual or potential competitor, contractor, sub-contractor, customer, client, vendor, donor or recipient of ICMA, that might produce a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest should this contract be awarded.

Offeror warrants that it shall not discriminate because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, non-disabling physical and mental disability, political status, matriculation, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, status as a veteran, physical handicap, age, marital status or any other characteristic protected by law.

ICMA shall use good faith efforts to provide contracting and procurement opportunities for SBD’s. SDB categories include minority business enterprises (MBE), woman-owned business enterprises (WBE), small veteran and disabled veteran owned businesses, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), predominantly Hispanic Universities (HACUs), small businesses in Historically Under-utilized Zones (HUBZones) and private voluntary organizations (PVOs) principally operated and managed by economically disadvantaged individuals.

United States law prohibits transactions with, and the provision of resources and support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. The Offeror under any award resulting from this RFQ must ensure compliance with these laws.