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BID # 2021-69 HOMELESSNESS STRATEGIC PLAN - RFQ

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We received the following questions regarding the bid listed above:

Question # 1: What are the current drivers for this work and what kind of outcomes are being sought? For example, do you have specific targets in mind?

Answer # 1: The current drivers for this Strategic Plan is the need to explore better options as a Community of Partners to prevent, divert and end homelessness. The number of individuals and families living in shelters and on the streets needs to decrease significantly and we need to get to a point where we can help clients prior to or at entry of homelessness instead of them being homeless for long periods of time.

The sought outcomes are processes and plans that we can utilize as a Community of Partners to come up with better solutions to ending homelessness and put in place a "quick response" to someone who experiences homelessness within a shorter timeframe.

Question # 2 Has a budget for this initiative been approved? If so, what is your anticipated budget or budget range?

Answer # 2: The maximum budget for this project is \$100,000

Question # 3: Is there an incumbent supporting this effort at the present time? If so, who is the incumbent?

Answer # 3: Will County and the City of Joliet

Question # 4: Are you open to working with a firm based outside of Illinois?

Answer # 4: Yes we are.

Question # 5: Given the impact of the pandemic on travel as well as public health risks, what is the expectation regarding face-to-face meetings and consultation? Are you able to remain flexible regarding conducting meetings, public sessions, etc. using video conferencing virtually?

Answer # 5: We are flexible with the face-to-face meetings and video conferencing is acceptable.

Question # 6: Is this a fixed price solicitation?

Answer # 6: Yes

Question #7: Is there an estimated award time range?

Answer # 7: The anticipated award date is on or after June 5, 2021

Question #8: What is the anticipated timeframe for the project completion?

Answer #8: The anticipated timeframe is July 2021 to June 2022.