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Tender

Northampton College - AEB Subcontracting

Northampton College

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-042bc6

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Northampton College

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NORTHAMPTON

NN33RF

Email

tenders@northamptoncollege.ac.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number)

10007011

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.northamptoncollege.ac.uk/>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.northamptoncollege.ac.uk/documents/about-us/governance-and-management/176-invitation-to-tender-northampton-college-adult-education-budget/file>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.northamptoncollege.ac.uk/about-us/governance-and-management>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

NC-JW-05/2324

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

1.3 Northampton College is inviting providers to tender to deliver full qualifications at a variety of levels. Partnership tenders should complement our subcontracting policy, with the aim of adding strategic value to existing college provision and enhancing the quality, range and geographical coverage of the College's Adult Education Budget provision.

The College's priority for sub-contracting is to enhance opportunities and access for learners through maintaining distance learning provision for adult students at scale, thus enabling learners who may not otherwise be able to access college or funded provision to do so.

Within our subcontracting portfolio, the curriculum priority will continue to be Health and Care, where many learners wish to enhance their portfolio of skills flexibly through distance learning. In addition, the College will continue to supplement our on-site Digital curriculum offer and is open to the potential to develop an online offer designed to train students in green technologies.

All the provision must be delivered in the 2023/24 funding year; there is currently no scope to carry forward funding. All the learning aims and learners must be eligible for Education Skills and Funding Agency (ESFA) Adult Education Budget (AEB) funding in 2023/24.

Providers wishing to apply for this opportunity must have an active UKPRN and must have a track record of successful sub-contract delivery of qualifications.

The training must be delivered in full by the contracted training provider, i.e. only one level of sub-contracting is permitted and no second level subcontracting is permitted.

The Subcontractor, if awarded the contract, will be responsible for the recruitment of all learners, the delivery of training, the premises and resources required to deliver the training, awarding body accreditation and associated fees.

The quality of provision and subcontractor financial health will be paramount as the College will retain responsibility to ESFA and OFSTED for programme quality. Financial health and inspection outcomes will form important parts of the assessment process.

The estimated contract value reflects the funding value of learning to be delivered and will be subject to a management fee which will not usually exceed 20%.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £700,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The gross contract value is up to £700,000, over the period from contract award to 31 July 2024.

The only provision fundable under this agreement will be those qualifications/programmes eligible for funding under the College funding contracts for Adult Education Budget, compatible with the College's curriculum strategy.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 March 2024

End date

31 July 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

- Have an active UKPRN.
- Have a track record of successful delivery, as a Subcontractor, of the qualifications included in its delivery proposal, with the proven capacity to deliver a minimum contract value of £500,000.
- Be financially stable with a proven track record of good financial performance and a history and status which complies with ESFA expectations for subcontracting.
- Have an Ofsted rating of 'Good' or better based on its most recent full Ofsted inspection as a registered provider.

Plus other criteria as set out in the procurement documents

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

26 January 2024

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 2 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

26 January 2024

Local time

1:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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