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CO0587 - Essex ActivAte Programme (HAF) 2025

Essex County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

CO0587 - Essex ActivAte Programme (HAF) 2025

Reference number

DN758760

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55240000 - Holiday centre and holiday home services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Education has provided Essex County Council with funding in order to deliver the holiday activity and food programme (HAF) across Essex during the Easter, Summer and Winter school holidays. Active Essex will be managing the programme on behalf of Essex County Council. Active Essex and Essex County Council will also be managing the HAF programme on behalf of Thurrock Council. Across Essex and Thurrock the programme is called Essex ActivAte.

Essex ActivAte will engage and support young people and families who are eligible for benefits based free school meals and families most in need. The programme will provide free and inclusive holiday clubs across the county that will include a range of fun physical and enrichment activities, a free nutritious meal, nutritional education and mentoring and support for the young person and whole family. The programme aims to improve health generally, including, crucially, mental health and aim to provide the families with the knowledge and support to live healthier, happier lives.

We are looking for delivery partners or consortiums who can lead and deliver Essex ActivAte clubs across Essex and Thurrock during the main school holidays.

Maximum funding per project is £300,000

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The Essex ActivAte programme has now been running for 3 years, working with over 300 delivery partners to offer over 150,000 free spaces and hot meals per year. Over the next year of 2025, it is our aim to extend the programme so that every young person who is eligible for benefits based free school meals or is in need of this holiday support has the opportunity to engage in a local club.

Key outcomes of each Essex ActivAte club are:

- To provide free and inclusive holiday activity clubs for eligible young people
- To provide a safe environment for young people to attend in the school holidays
- To provide a fun, high quality holiday club experience for the young people

- To support the social skills of the young people attending
- To provide mentors and role model through the Essex ActivAte club staff
- To ensure that young people have at least 1 nutritious meal each day
- To provide education for the young people and whole family around eating more healthy, nutritious meals, on a budget
- Providing signposting and support for the whole family so that they have the understanding and knowledge to improve their physical and mental health and wellbeing, support network and opportunities.

Please note, the Requirement Specific Quality responses will either 'Pass' or 'Fail' in line with whether, in our assessment, they have the capability and capacity to meet the minimum requirements set out in the identified evaluation criteria stated under each question. This assessment will be made through an evaluation of the answers provided to the questions asked in this document.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £4,200,000

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

Start date

7 April 2025

End date

27 February 2026

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

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

This is grant funding and each project will be subject to maximum funding of £300,000

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

14 February 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

14 February 2025

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

Royal Courts of Justice

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom