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Tender

Re-Opening of EALEP Trusted Partner Framework

East Ayrshire Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

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Main address

<http://www.east-ayrshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00223

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

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

Re-Opening of EALEP Trusted Partner Framework

Reference number

PS/23/107

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

East Ayrshire Council as the Lead Accountable Body and Lead Partner of the Local Employability Partnership (EALEP) is seeking to work in partnership with training providers, the third sector and other organisations to utilise funding that delivers an all age, needs based, person centred support to those seeking to move towards, enter, sustain and progress in employment; to reduce levels of child poverty by supporting parents from the priority family groups to increase their income from employment; to reduce inequality in the labour market by supporting those further from the labour market to increase their income from employment; and to maximise the role that employability plays in delivering national and local aims of tackling poverty, promoting inclusion and social justice and creating a fair and prosperous Scotland.

Services will be procured from providers who are experienced in delivering to individuals who face barriers to employment and require additional support in order to obtain, gain and sustain employment. EALEP is seeking partners who can ensure a person centred approach and deliver provision in localities across East Ayrshire.

Providers who are currently on the Framework (Awarded October 2023) do NOT need to re-apply for this Framework.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £10,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80500000 - Training services
- 80510000 - Specialist training services
- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80530000 - Vocational training services
- 80570000 - Personal development training services
- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services
- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £10,500,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Duration in months

42

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

26 August 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Providers who are currently part of the EALEP framework (Awarded October 2024) do NOT need to re-apply for this Framework. This is a re-issue to allow new providers to tender to become a Provider for the remaining duration of the Framework.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=772761.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363>

The Contracting Authority does not intend to include any community benefit requirements in this contract for the following reason:

This contract is providing services to the EAC community therefore no additional/specific requirements have been added. Tenderers are of course welcome to provide CBs if they would like to.

(SC Ref:772761)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kilmarnock Sheriff Court

St Marnock Street

Kilmarnock

Country

United Kingdom