

## Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### Project UF-266

Chemical Engineering Addition (Gainesville campus)

#### NOTICE TO CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS:

The University of Florida Board of Trustees announces that CM-At-Risk services will be required for the project listed below:

Project: UF-266, Chemical Engineering Addition (Gainesville campus)

The project consists of an 8,000 GSF addition to the south-east side of the existing Chemical Engineering building which will give the building and department more presence on campus. In addition to a new entry, the atrium is intended to create a space for interaction, innovation and collaboration. The addition is also to provide much needed office space, conference room, and student collaboration space.

The total project budget is \$3,500,000, including site improvements, underground utilities, fees, surveys & tests, total building commissioning, furnishings and equipment, and contingencies. Construction shall be "fast-tracked" to end by August 2013. Gold LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification by the U.S. Green Building Council is mandatory.

The contract for construction management services will consist of two phases, pre-construction and construction. Pre-construction services will begin at the Conceptual Schematic Design stage and will include production of cost studies and estimates; value engineering; analysis of the design documents for constructability, coordination, detailing, materials, and systems; development and maintenance of the construction schedule; production of detailed jobsite management plans; development of strategies for the procurement of trade contracts; and development of a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) proposal based on 100% Construction Documents. If the GMP proposal is accepted and executed, the construction phase will be implemented. In this phase, the construction manager becomes the single point of responsibility for performance of the construction of the project and shall publicly bid trade contracts. Failure to negotiate an acceptable fixed fee for phase one of the contract, or failure to arrive at an acceptable GMP budget within the time provided in the agreement, may result in the termination of the construction manager's contract.

Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of their past performance, experience, personnel, references, bonding capacity, workload, and responses to questions posed both in

the shortlist and interview phases. The Selection Committee may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at any time.

At the time of application, the applicant must be licensed to practice as a general contractor in the State of Florida and, if the applicant is a corporation, must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

Applicants desiring to provide construction management services for the project shall submit a proposal only after thoroughly reviewing the facilities program, Project Fact Sheet, and other background information. The proposal shall be prepared as specified in the CMQS Instructions and shall include:

1. A Letter of Application that concisely illustrates the applicant's understanding of the scope of services, schedule, and other goals and considerations as outlined in the Project Fact Sheet and facilities program.
2. Company information and signed certification.
3. A completed, project-specific "CM Qualifications Supplement" (CMQS) proposal. Applications on any other form will not be considered.
4. Resumes, LEED accreditation, and other pertinent credentials for all proposed staff.
5. Proof of the applicant's corporate status in Florida (if applicable) and a copy of the applicant's current contracting license from the appropriate governing board.
6. Proof of applicant's bonding capacity.

If the applicant is a corporation, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida. As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, an applicant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected construction manager must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$15,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Incomplete proposals will be disqualified. Submittal materials will not be returned.

Additional information to assist the applicant in preparing a complete proposal – including the project-specific CMQS forms, instructions, Project Fact Sheet, facilities program, UF Design Services Guide, UF Design and Construction Standards, standard University of Florida Agreement for CM Services, and other project and process information – can be found on the Facilities Planning and Construction website.

Finalists may be provided with supplemental interview requirements and criteria as needed.

Provide the number of copies prescribed in the Project Fact Sheet. Submittals must be received in the Facilities Planning and Construction office by 3:00 p.m. (Local Time), Thursday, August 19, 2010. Facsimile (FAX) submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered.

Facilities Planning and Construction  
 232 Stadium / P. O. Box 115050  
 Gainesville, FL 32611-5050  
 Telephone: (352)273-4000, Fax: (352)273-4034  
 Internet: [www.facilities.ufl.edu](http://www.facilities.ufl.edu)

Request For Proposal – BT-653  
 Florida Atlantic Boulevard Northern Four Lane  
 Boca Campus

#### NOTICE TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS

Florida Atlantic University, on behalf of its Board of Trustees, announces that Professional Services in the discipline of Civil Engineer, will be required for the project listed below:

Project No.: BT-653 Florida Atlantic Blvd. Northern Four Lane Project and Location: Located on Florida Atlantic University's Boca Raton Campus, the project design will consist of a new four-lane road, on the west side of the Innovation Village Housing site, connecting Lee Street and Spanish River Boulevard. The project will include lighting and drainage design. Two additional components may be included but not necessarily be designed and or built concurrently:

- ◆ A connection from campus to N.W. Fifth Ave. on the east, providing direct vehicular access to the Henderson School, requiring an overpass of El Rio Canal and interface with the City of Boca Raton.
- ◆ Analysis of traffic patterns and vehicular circulation for a future connector road, which would link the proposed four lane road to Palm Beach Avenue or what is known as Lot 5 to the west.

Total construction budget is approximately \$7,500,000. The selected firm will provide schematic design, design development, construction documents with various add alternates components and construction administration for the referenced project. This project will be delivered via either Construction Management at risk or hard bid. Blanket professional liability insurance will be required for this project in the amount of \$500,000.00, and will be provided as a part of Basic Services.

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

Firms desiring to apply for consideration shall submit a letter of application.

The letter of application should have attached:

1. A completed "Florida Atlantic University Professional Qualifications Supplement" (FAUPQS Revised January 2004). Applications on any other form may not be considered. For this project specialty consultants may be listed for environmental and survey services. Selection of finalists for interview will be made on the basis of professional qualifications, including experience and ability; past experience; design ability; volume of work; and distance from project.

2. A copy of the applicant's current Professional Registration Certificate from the appropriate governing board. An applicant must be properly registered at the time of application to practice its profession in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

Submit 4 bound sets of the above requested data bound in the order listed above. Applications which do not comply with the above instructions may be disqualified. Application materials will not be returned. The plans and specifications for the State of Florida University projects are subject to reuse in accordance with the provisions of Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a consultant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected consultant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$10,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Sole Point of Contact: The FAU Professional Qualifications Supplement, the Project Fact Sheet, and the approved Facilities Program are available online at: <http://wise.fau.edu/facilities/uavp/AE-CM-advertise-home.php> or by contacting: University's Sole Point of Contact for this Project: Jill Rosen, Coordinator, Facilities Planning, Bldg. 69, Room 107, (561)297-4110, (561)297-2260 or email: [jrosen58@fau.edu](mailto:jrosen58@fau.edu).

From the date of issuance of this Notice until a final selection of a consultant is made or a notice of cancellation is posted, the consultant must not make available or discuss its proposal, or any part thereof, with any member of the Selection Committee, unless permitted by the Sole Point of Contact, in writing, for purposes of clarification only, as set forth herein. Any individual associated with a consultant who contacts members of the Selection Committee, regarding any aspect of this project, whether such contact be in person, telephone, or through electronic or written correspondence, may be determined to have violated the terms and conditions of this solicitation. If that determination is made, any proposal received from such an individual OR their company may be rejected as non-responsive and not subject to evaluation. If there are any changes or additions to the Sole Point of Contact information at any time in the process, participating consultants will be notified via an addendum to the Notice.

Questions regarding the Notice and/or process should be submitted via fax or email to the Sole Point of Contact. No oral communications shall be considered as a change to the Notice. FAU may respond to questions deemed by the University to be material in nature via a written addendum to the Notice. Interpretation of the wording of this document shall be the responsibility of the FAU and that interpretation shall be final.

All postings referred to in this Notice will be posted electronically on the FAU Facilities website: <http://wise.fau.edu/facilities/uavp/AE-CM-advertise-home.php>. At all times it shall remain the responsibility of the consultants participating in this solicitation to check the postings at the Campus Operations Building CO#69 directory and/or the Purchasing Department in the Administration Building. No further notice will be given.

Four (4) bound sets of the required proposal data shall be submitted to: Office of Facilities Planning, Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Road, Campus Operations Building #69-Room 107, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 by 5:00 p.m. (Local Time), Wednesday, August 25, 2010. In an effort to be sustainable; submittals shall be printed double sided (total 20 sheets/40 pages), on recycled paper and the submittal is to be either stapled or GBC bound (no three ring binders). Facsimile (FAX) submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered.

#### PROJECT FACT SHEET

Florida Atlantic Blvd. Northern Four Lane  
Florida Atlantic University  
Boca Raton Campus

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of design and construction of a new four (4) lane road on the west side of Innovation Village Housing connecting Lee St. and Spanish River Blvd. and will include lighting and drainage design. The project costs include two additional components which may be included but not necessarily designed and or built concurrently:

1. A connection from campus to N. W. Fifth Ave. on the east, providing direct vehicular access to the Henderson School, requiring an overpass of El Rio Canal and interface with the City of Boca Raton.
2. Analysis of traffic patterns and vehicular circulation for a future connector road, which would link the proposed four lane road to Palm Beach Avenue or what is known as Lot 5 to the west.

This project will be constructed using either the construction manager at risk or hard bid delivery process.

The Construction budget is approximately \$7,500,000.00.

#### SELECTION CRITERIA

Firms will be evaluated in the following areas: Experience and ability, past experience; bonding capacity; record-keeping; administrative ability; critical path scheduling expertise; cost estimating; cost control ability; quality contract capability; qualification of the firm's personnel, staff and consultants; and the teams ability to address sensitive environmental issues and permitting requirements for Burrowing Owls and Gopher Tortoises. Experience and ability scores will be based on the following criteria:

1. Experience of firm and individual members of design team with projects of similar size and scope.

2. Experience of firm and individual members of the design team in planning, designing, estimating, and construction administration of projects similar in size and budget. Site examples of projects within the past five-year.
3. Experience campus planning and working with Universities.

#### SELECTION COMMITTEE:

Robert Richman, Director, Facilities Planning  
Jim Baker, Director, Engineering and Utilities  
Vincent Elliott, Physical Plant Operations Manager  
Paulo Brida, Associate Director, Facilities Planning

#### SELECTION SCHEDULE:

The anticipated schedule for selection, award, and negotiation is as follows:

Submittal Due:	August 25, 2010
Shortlist Meeting:	TBD
Final Interviews:	TBD
Contract Negotiation:	TBD

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The University is not liable for any costs incurred by the Applicants prior to the issuance of an executed contract.
2. In order to minimize the possibility of unethical pressures or influences on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, no verbal or written communication is permitted between the applicants and the members of the Selection Committee. Any questions or requests for project information must be in writing: Jill Rosen, Boca Raton Campus, Bldg. 69, Rm. 107, (561)297-4110, Fax: (561)297-2260, email [jrosen58@fau.edu](mailto:jrosen58@fau.edu).
3. All applicants will be notified of the results of the shortlist in writing. Finalists will be informed of the interview date and time and will be provided with additional project information, if available.
4. The Selection Committee will make a recommendation to the President of the University. All finalists will be notified in writing of the President's action. Upon approval by the President, negotiations will be conducted in accordance with Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.
5. Additional project information is available on our website: <http://wise.fau.edu/facilities/uavp/AE-CM-advertise-home.php>  
Professional Liability insurance is required for this project in the amount of \$500,000.

#### NOTICE TO CONSULTANTS

The University of Central Florida on behalf of its Board of Trustees announces that Professional Services in the discipline of General Auditing and Accounting.

Project: General Project Auditing and Accounting

Project and Location: University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida.

The professional services to be rendered will consist of the auditing of various design and construction projects to examine accounting procedures and the amounts expended to architects and contractors.

#### FORM OF PROPOSALS

It is the University's intention to have professionals in the disciplines of General Auditing to submit proposals to the University. Proposal reviews, selection, and interviews will be conducted once the proposals have been received.

Five (5) bound copies of the required proposal data shall be submitted to: Mrs. Gina Seabrook, Facilities Planning, 4000 Central Florida Blvd., Post Office Box 163020, Orlando, FL 32816-3020. Submittals must be received by 5:00 p.m. (Local Time), August 24, 2010. Facsimile (FAX) submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered. Late submissions will not be accepted.

The selection committee members have elected not to meet with proposed firms. Please do not contact the selection committee.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR GENERAL AUDITING AND ACCOUNTING

General Auditing and Accounting firms desiring to apply for consideration must include a letter of application and should have attached:

1. A copy of the firm's current Professional Registration Certificates from the appropriate governing board. An applicant must be properly registered at the time of application to practice its profession in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

Applications that do not comply with all instructions may be disqualified. Application materials will not be returned.

Selection of finalist for interviews will be made on the basis of General Auditing and Accounting qualifications, including experience and ability; past experience; project auditing and accounting; qualification of the firm's personnel, staff and consultants; and the ability to include minority business enterprise participation. Finalists will be provided with a description of the final interview topics. The Selection Committee may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at any time.

As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a consultant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected consultant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$15,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of placement on the convicted vendor list.

For additional information contact: Ms. Gina Seabrook, University of Central Florida, Phone (407)823-2166, Fax: (407)823-5141, Email: gseabroo@mail.ucf.edu or the Facilities Planning Web site: www.fp.ucf.edu under the heading advertisements.

---

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND

Notices for the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/> under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

---

#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

The West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC) covers the seven western-most counties in Florida.

THE PURPOSE of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to enter into an Agreement with a Certified Public Accounting Firm to audit the financial statements of WFRPC. The contractor will perform audits for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, with the option of auditing WFRPC's financial statements with two (2) additional two (2) year renewals.

A REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS should be directed to: Dawn Schwartz, WFRPC, P. O. 11399, Pensacola, FL 32524, (850)332-7976. A detailed RFP document will be available at the WFRPC website: [www.wfrpc.org](http://www.wfrpc.org).

RECEIPT OF SEALED PROPOSALS: All proposals must be received as per the RFP instructions no later than 4:00 p.m. (Central Time), on August 13, 2010 at the WFRPC office in Pensacola. WFRPC reserves the right to postpone, accept or reject any and all proposals in whole or in part. All proposers must certify that they are not on the State of Florida Comptroller General's List of Ineligible Bidders. All proposals shall remain in effect for One Hundred Eighty (180) days from the RFP submission due date.

DBE PARTICIPATION: WFRPC solicits and encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation. DBEs will be afforded full consideration of their responses and will not be subject to discrimination.

NOTIFICATION OF FEDERAL PARTICIPATION: A portion of this project is funded by a grant from the Federal Transit Administration. Any resultant Agreement shall be subject to all federal rules and regulations.

---

#### REQUEST FOR PUBLIC OUTREACH GRANT APPLICATIONS – CHARLOTTE HARBOR NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM

Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program (CHNEP) is part of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency National Estuary Program. This cooperative program was established by Congress in 1987 under the Clean Water Act with the goal of recognizing estuaries of "national significance" by bringing

partners with diverse interests and concerns together to protect these estuaries. There are 28 National Estuary Programs within this program with the CHNEP established in 1995.

**OBJECTIVE:** The Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program is considering public outreach grant applications for fiscal year 2011. Greater consideration will be give to applications that help advance the goals of the Program by fulfilling the Program Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan and that inform and educate as many segments of the public as possible.

**INVITATION TO APPLY:** The CHNEP must receive public outreach grant applications by 5:00 p.m. (Local Time), Wednesday, September 1, 2010. The Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program reserves the right to reject any or all applications.

The Program hereby solicits applications for public outreach projects. Any Florida resident, organization, business, government agency, school, college or university can submit an application. The project must occur within the Program study area which includes all of Lee, Charlotte, Hardee and DeSoto counties and portions of Polk, Manatee and Sarasota counties.

Public outreach grant funding will not exceed \$5,000.00 per application. Matching funds or in-kind match is recommended but not required. More than one application may be submitted for each entity but each application must be submitted separately and must follow the instructions and requirements.

**HOW TO APPLY:** The document "Requests for Public Outreach Grant Applications" is available on the website at: [www.CHNEP.org](http://www.CHNEP.org). Direct all inquiries regarding this grant application to: Ms. Maran Hilgendorf, Communications Manager at [mhilgendorf@swfrpc.org](mailto:mhilgendorf@swfrpc.org), (239)338-2556, ext. 240, Toll-free 1(866)835-5785, ext. 240 and Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program, 1926 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901-3414.

---

## **DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – CONTINUING CONTRACTS FOR MECHANICAL / ELECTRICAL / PLUMBING ENGINEERING SERVICES NORTHWEST FLORIDA REGION**

The State of Florida, Department of Management Services (DMS) requests qualifications from engineering firms to provide Professional Services primarily in the Northwest Florida Region. These services may be used for projects anywhere in the State of Florida, however, it is anticipated that the firms selected during this process will be activated for projects in the Northwest part of the State. The Northwest Region is defined as all counties west of and including Taylor and Madison County. Projects will vary in size up to \$2,000,000.00 for construction and up to \$200,000.00 for planning or study fees.

Response Due Date: August 24, 2010 by 4:00 p.m. (Local Time)

Please visit the Department's Website listed below and click on "Search Advertisements – Division of Real Estate Development and Management" [http://fcn.state.fl.us/owa\\_vbs/owa/vbs\\_www.main\\_menu](http://fcn.state.fl.us/owa_vbs/owa/vbs_www.main_menu).

---

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

Notices for the Department of Environmental Protection between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/> under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

---

## **FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION**

### **RFQ 2010-06 Management Company Services**

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation invites all qualified firms to provide management company services for multifamily housing developments. As it may become necessary for Florida Housing to replace the Management Company that operates an affordable multifamily housing development for which Florida Housing has made a loan, Florida Housing has a need for qualified firms to perform Management Company services to ensure full compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws including specific requirements, procedures, and guidelines for the HOME Investment Partnership Program, Multifamily Mortgage Revenue Bonds Program, State Apartment Incentive Loan Program, and Demonstration Development Programs in the event of foreclosure, and for the Housing Credit Program when a development also participates in a Florida Housing Loan Program Services, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2010-06, to submit proposals for consideration. Proposals shall be accepted until 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), Tuesday, August 17, 2010, to the Attention: Sherry Green, Contracts Administrator, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329.

For questions or additional information, please contact: Sherry Green at (850)488-4197 or [sherry.green@floridahousing.org](mailto:sherry.green@floridahousing.org). To obtain a copy of the Request for Qualifications, which outlines selection criteria and applicant's responsibilities, please submit your request to the Attention: Sherry Green or you can download the Request for Qualifications from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation website: [http://apps.floridahousing.org/StandAlone/FHFC\\_ECM/AppPage\\_LegalRFQs.aspx](http://apps.floridahousing.org/StandAlone/FHFC_ECM/AppPage_LegalRFQs.aspx). Any modifications that occur to the Request for Qualifications will be posted at the web site and may result in an extension of the deadline.

RFQ 2010-08 Compliance Monitoring Services  
for Hardest Hit Fund Program

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation invites all qualified Offerors to submit proposals for consideration in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2010-08 relating to compliance monitoring services for the Hardest Hit Fund Program.

Proposals shall be accepted until 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), Friday, August 13, 2010, to the Attention: Sherry Green, Contracts Administrator, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329. For questions or additional information, please contact: Sherry Green at (850)488-4197 or [sherry.green@floridahousing.org](mailto:sherry.green@floridahousing.org). To obtain a copy of the Request for Proposals, which outlines selection criteria and applicant's responsibilities, please submit your request to the Attention of Sherry Green, or you can download the Request for Proposals from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation web site at: [http://apps.floridahousing.org/StandAlone/FHFC\\_ECM/AppPage\\_LegalRFQs.aspx](http://apps.floridahousing.org/StandAlone/FHFC_ECM/AppPage_LegalRFQs.aspx).

Any modifications that occur to the Request for Proposals will be posted at the web site and may result in an extension of the deadline.

---

**H. LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER AND RESEARCH  
AUTHORITY**

Request for Qualifications

Master Planning Services

Moffitt Cancer Center seeks submission of qualifications from qualified planning firms to provide master planning services related to campus and facilities space master planning.

Anticipated scope of work:

Comprehensive facilities space planning, both in short range focused, and long range conceptual to support a multi-campus large academic cancer center. Short range plan to include studies of internal and external adjacencies and internal space planning to the programmatic block diagram level. Long range plan will entail concepts for update of existing campus plan for the utilization of property dedicated to outpatient clinics, research, administrative support and biotech endeavors.

Please refer to: [www.MOFFITT.org/masterplanningRFQ](http://www.MOFFITT.org/masterplanningRFQ) for the full technical submission requirements of the proposal. Submissions are due Monday August 9, 2010.

All proposals, communications, and correspondence required during the Request for Qualifications process must be directed to: Gordon Peck, Purchasing at [Gordon.peck@moffitt.org](mailto:Gordon.peck@moffitt.org).

---

**FLORIDA ALLIANCE FOR ASSISTIVE SERVICES  
AND TECHNOLOGY, INC.**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP #11-CFRDC) FAAST  
Central Florida Regional Demonstration Center Project

The Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology, Inc. (FAAST) is pleased to announce that we are seeking applications/request for proposals within the Central Florida region to establish a FAAST Central Florida Regional Demonstration Center Project.

Disability organizations, not-for-profit and for-profit agencies, universities, community colleges, and other interested parties may submit proposals in response to this RFP.

Standard Contract Funding: \$87,710.07; possible additional amendments to standard contract may include additional years and funds for AT Device Loan Program up to \$20,000 and funds for a Device Repair/Refurbishing Program up to \$10,000. FAAST, Inc. will provide funds for a period not to exceed 12 months for fiscal support of this RFP for the first year of the project and subsequent years (should additional years of this project be funded, based on FAAST, Inc. approval and the availability of funds).

Purpose: The purpose of this RFP is to obtain competitive bids from qualified organizations capable of providing the Central Florida region with access to assistive services and technology for the purpose of assistive technology device demonstrations, training, technical assistance and education. The FAAST Central Florida RDC will provide direct demonstrations and interactive experiences with assistive technology, devices and services for individuals with disabilities of all ages, families, caregivers and professionals and collaborate with community partners.

Other services may include, but are not limited to, a regional assistive technology equipment loan program including equipment loan satisfaction surveys, assistive technology device demonstrations, training and technical assistance, information and referral, structured presentations including educational conferences and exhibits, and public awareness activities designed to promote education, employment, community living, and telecommunications/information technologies (IT).

The FAAST Central Florida RDC will offer regional services to individuals residing in the catchment area of Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, Sarasota, Manatee, Hardee, Desoto, Highlands, Polk, Citrus, Sumter, Lake, and Hernando counties where children and adults with disabilities and their families can have access to assistive technology consultations, technical assistance and individualized assistive technology instruction.

Copies of this RFP in its entirety can be downloaded from the FAAST website ([www.faast.org](http://www.faast.org)) or copies may be requested by email ([faast@faast.org](mailto:faast@faast.org)) or hard copy by contacting: FAAST at 1(888)788-9216, (850)487-3278, Fax: (850)487-2805, and address: 325 John Knox Rd., Bldg. 400, Suite 402, Tallahassee, FL 32303.

Letters of intent to apply are encouraged but not mandatory. Letters of Intent to apply will be accepted by Fax, Email, US mail, commercial carrier, or hand delivered to the FAAST headquarters.

All answers to written questions will be posted on the FAAST website on August 2, 2010. The deadline for submitting proposals for this RFP to FAAST, Inc. is August 20, 2010 by 5:00 p.m. (EST).

PLEASE FORWARD ALL REQUESTS FOR COPIES OF THIS RFP TO: STEVEN L. HOWELLS, FAAST, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

QUESTIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED IN WRITTEN FORMAT ONLY. THIS IS A LEGAL PROCESS AND WE CANNOT ANSWER QUESTIONS VERBALLY.

## Section XII Miscellaneous

### DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Notice of Funding Availability [Modified]

#### RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION PROGRAM COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM

Please note the modifications of this document include clarification on the Applicant's Eligibility for the Mitigation Planning and Integration Application Category and the extension of the application deadline. All RCMP applications must be received at the Division by August 16, 2010, 4:00 p.m. The Florida Division of Emergency Management (DEM or the Division) announces the re-advertisement of the availability of approximately \$2,467,389.00 million in Residential Construction Mitigation Program (RCMP) funding. Eligible applicants may submit up to three (3) applications for a maximum grant of \$100,000 each from the 2010-2011 Florida Legislature appropriation to the Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program from the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund.

#### Authorizing Legislation and Regulations

In 1999, the Florida Legislature passed the Bill Williams Residential Safety and Preparedness Act. This created the Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program, (Section 215.559, Florida Statutes) with an annual appropriation of \$10 million. These funds are derived from the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund. Section 215.559, F.S. establishes minimum funding levels for specific interests. The Florida Legislature allocates funding from this appropriation to RCMP on an annual basis.

#### Award Information

Pursuant to Section 215.559, Florida Statutes, RCMP makes funds available annually to pursue the following objectives:

- To improve the wind resistance of residences and mobile homes through subsidies, grants, outreach, demonstration projects, direct assistance.
- To educate persons concerning the Florida Building Code

cooperative programs with local governments and the federal government

- To prevent losses or reduce the cost of disasters and reduce the cost of rebuilding after a disaster.

Funds available for these uses in SFY10/11 are \$2,467,389.00. Funds are distributed according to application category. Detail is provided in Sections 4.0 and 5.0 of the NOFA/Application packet located on the Division's website.

Please note: RCMP funds may be used as match for federally funded Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) program projects. Such HMA grant programs include the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM).

In order to qualify to use RCMP funds as HMA program match, the following must be true:

- The project qualifies for both programs
- The project's scope of work is identical for both programs
- Activities must be performed within the RCMP contract period

Changes from SFY09/10 NOFA

Changes to this NOFA from SFY09/10 include the following:

- NOFA format has been streamlined for readability
- Performance Measurement Plan requirement: The inclusion of a performance measurement plan in the project application is a new requirement as of SFY 10/11. Please pay special attention to this requirement's detail, which can be found in Sections 4.0 and 5.0 of this NOFA.
- Application categories have been modified. SFY 2010/2011 application categories are as follows:
- Residential Mitigation Retrofit
- Public Outreach
- Mitigation Planning

#### Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants\*\* for each application category are those identified in the following chart with X's:

<i>Project Category</i>	<i>State/Regional Agencies</i>	<i>Local Governments</i>	<i>Private Non-Profits</i>	<i>Educational Institutions</i>
Residential Mitigation Retrofit Program	X	X	X	X
Public Outreach	X	X	*	X
Mitigation Planning and Integration	X	X	*	X

\*\*The Division does not contract with individuals. In order to participate, residents must contact their respective local government for sponsorship.