

REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSALS (RFP)

The Cascade County Sheriff's Office, hereafter referred to as "County," is initiating this Request for Proposals ("RFP") to solicit proposals from responsible and qualified firms interested in providing Inmate Food Services to the Cascade County Detention Center (CCDC) located at 3800 Ulm North Frontage Road, Great Falls, Montana 59404.

Pursuant to MCA 18-1-201, each proposal must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid bond payable to Cascade County in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the proposal. Additionally, pursuant to MCA 18-1-203, the form of security which shall accompany the bid must be either (i) lawful money of the United States; (ii) a cashier's check, certified check, bank money order, or bank draft, in any case drawn and issued by a federally chartered or state-chartered bank insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation; or (iii) a bid bond, guaranty bond, or surety bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to do business in the state of Montana.

The successful proposer shall forfeit to Cascade County their security if they fail or refuse to enter into a contract within the time specified. Security of unsuccessful proposer shall be returned upon acceptance of the successful proposal.

All bids shall remain effective for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of opening. Cascade County reserves the right to consider or reject any, and all bids, and further to waive any defects or irregularities. A contract will be awarded to a qualified and the most responsible bidder.

All proposers are expected to be aware of and to abide by all state and federal statutes, rules, and regulations governing the solicitation and acceptance of public contracts, including any such statute, rule or regulation relating to non-discrimination.

The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities, or to accept any proposal they deem to be in the best interest of Cascade County.

Specifics on responding to this solicitation can be found in the full RFP which can be obtained via the Cascade County website at <http://www.cascadecountymt.gov/bids>. Responses are due no later than 1:00 p.m. MDT on Friday, June 3, 2022. Bid Opening will be June 3, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at the Cascade County Sheriff's Office. Must meet the requirements outlined in the complete RFP notice; and be delivered to the following address:

**Undersheriff Cory Reeves
Cascade County Sheriff's Office
3800 Ulm North Frontage Road
Great Falls, MT 59404**