

Questions submitted regarding RFP #2014-ED01

Q: What is the DBE goal for Architectural and Engineering type services – 17% or 25%? Are A/E services not interpreted as professional services?

A: For purposes of this RFP, architectural and engineering services are not treated as professional services. As such, they are subject to the 25% DBE participation goal. Professional services subject to the 17% goal include things such as legal fees, consultant costs and marketing costs. Milwaukee County's Economic Development Division and Community Business Development Partners Department will work directly with Successful Proposers to ensure compliance with these requirements and address project-specific questions/concerns.

Q: Section 2.11 of the RFP refers to “requirements” but does not define Workforce Goals. Does “requirements” mean the goals agreed upon through the winning bidder and given credit for in the evaluation process, or percentage requirements?

A: The County does not have any specific goals set for residential hiring and apprenticeship/job training. Whether to include goals, and at what percentage of worker hours, is entirely at the discretion of the proposer. The “requirement” mentioned in Section 2.11 references the requirement to track compliance with pledged goals, if they exist. The reports evidencing compliance with the pledged goals are then required to be submitted to Milwaukee County for audit purposes. In the event a proposer opts not to include workforce hiring goals, there will be no reporting requirements related to this section.