

ADDENDUM ONE, QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Date: December 7, 2022

To: All Bidders

From: Lori. A. Cole, Buyer
Department of Economic Development

RE: Addendum for Request for Proposal Number 114045 O3 to be opened
December 21, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Central Time.

Questions and Answers

The following are the questions submitted, and corresponding answers, regarding the above-mentioned Request for Proposal. These questions and answers are to be considered part of the Request for Proposal. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check the State Purchasing Bureau website for all addenda or amendments.

Question	Answer
1. Is a student eligible for internship participation within six or 12 months following graduation from a postsecondary institution?	A student will be eligible for internship participation within 12 months following graduation from a public or private secondary school, a college, a university, a certified training institution, or other institution of higher education.
2. What is the total amount of available administrative / overhead funds for prospective bidders?	The Department received a \$20M appropriations for the InternNE program during the 2022 legislative session. The Department may use up to five percent of any appropriation to carry out the administrative services for the InternNE program. The initial amount for administration and overhead will be determined by the number of Bidder/Bidders who sign agreements with the Department. For ongoing administration and overhead costs, the Department will determine a set amount or percentage of available administration funds.
3. Are eligible nonprofit organizations allowed to apply approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement rates, or in absence of an ICRA	No. Potential eligible administration costs: FTE's, marketing costs, costs of a study, technology necessary to operate the grant, etc.

<p>with a federal cognizant agency, may the nonprofit apply a 10% de minimis rate to the proposed bid for InternNE administration?</p>	
<p>4. What is the total amount of InternNE Grant Program funding the approved bidder/s will be responsible for administering each of the first two contract years?</p>	<p>This will depend on the number selected bidders and the number of of applications awarded a grant.</p>
<p>5. Is the InternNE program already conducting marketing and outreach efforts with HBCUs or would this be a new focused effort?</p>	<p>The InternNE program has not conducted outreach efforts with HBCUs, so this would be a new effort.</p>
<p>6. Who is the third-party management entity bidders are required to work with to study the current state of internships in Nebraska?</p>	<p>The Contractor may decide which third-party management entity they would like to work with to complete the study of the current state of internships in Nebraska.</p>
<p>7. When within the initial two-year project timeline will this study commence and conclude? What degree of involvement in terms of (1) professional research and evaluation expertise of bidder's staff, and (2) time expectations for bidder staff to assist in conducting the study is expected by the Contractor (NE DED)?</p>	<p>Timeline for the study: Begin the study: 3-6 months of when the Department has contracted with the Bidder/Bidders. Conclude Study: 12-18 months the Department would like to have the final results. Degree of Involvement:</p> <p>(1) The contractor may utilize the expertise of their staff or they may contract all the work of the study to a third-party entity. (2) This will be up to the contractor how much time their staff will utilize to assist in conducting the study with a third-party entity or as the sole source of conducting the study. It is the recommendation of the Department, that the study be contracted out to a third-party entity to conduct the study.</p>
<p>8. The RFP states "The Bidder is required and hereby agrees to use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of</p>	<p>Only those paid with InternNE Grant Program contract funding</p>

<p>employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska.” Does this mean E-Verify or an equivalent must be used for all of the bidder’s employees and Sub Contractors or just those paid with InternNE Grant Program contract funding?</p>	
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This addendum will become part of the Request for Proposal, and should be acknowledged with the Request for Proposal.