

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – BENTON COUNTY HOME REHAB PROJECT

Benton County will receive sealed proposals from qualified persons or firms for Home Rehabilitation Inspections required on their 2014 HOME Rehabilitation Project to demolish and reconstruct one (1) dilapidated home and to demolish one (1) dilapidated mobile/manufactured home, replacing it with a new manufactured home. The Housing Inspector must have a valid Mississippi Home Inspection Board (MHIB) license with the New Home Designation (NH). The proposals should be labeled "Home Inspector Proposal" and have a valid License number recorded on the outside.

Proposals will also be accepted from trained Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Certified Asbestos Inspectors to inspect the units to be reconstructed/rehabilitated. The proposals should be labeled "Asbestos Inspection Proposal" and have a valid DEQ certification number recorded on the outside.

Additionally, proposals will be accepted for Legal Services from qualified persons or firms to prepare Certificates of Title for each homeowner within three (3) weeks of survey completion and assist with any problems encountered, review all contracts, and assist the County in carrying out the project. The proposals should be labeled "Legal Services Proposal."

Finally, sealed proposals will also be accepted from qualified property Surveyors to perform a Boundary Survey and Plot Plan for the two (2) residential properties to be reconstructed within two (2) weeks of contract signing. These proposals should be labeled "Surveyor Proposal."

The proposers should be familiar with the HUD/Home Requirements, rules and regulations. These proposals are requested in accordance with current state law and 24 CFR 85 "Common Rule." The contract(s) will be awarded to the qualified proposers whose proposals are determined to be most advantageous to the County. No proposal may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days following its submission. The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Benton County will receive sealed proposals until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 4, 2015, at the Benton County Courthouse Chancery Clerk Office, (Physical Address for Hand Deliveries Only: 190 Ripley Ave) mailing address: P. O. Box 218, Ashland, MS 38603. The Board will open and review these proposals during their regular scheduled Board meeting.

This county has passed and executed a Section 3 Resolution declaring, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training, employment, contracting and other economic opportunities be given to low and very-low income residents of the project area and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to eligible business concerns which are located in, or owned in substantial part, by persons residing in the project area. Each service contracted must demonstrate a good faith effort and document compliance as set forth by 24 CFR 135 and CSD policy. Benton County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, familial status or disability.

An information to bidders sheet regarding the proposed work is available upon request at the NE MS Planning and Development District, Attention: Darlene Grimes or Amy Ivy, P O Box 600, Booneville, MS 38829 or by calling 662-728-6248 or emailing [dgrimes@nempdd.com](mailto:dgrimes@nempdd.com).

All proposals will be rated on the following system to determine the best firm: Description and Maximum Points: Qualifications - 30, Participation/Experience in Federally Funded Projects - 40, Availability to Do Work in Timely Manner - 30, Total - 100 Points.

Ricky Pipkin, President