

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the "**Furniture Package for Hope Academy**" located in Harrison County, Mississippi, will be received until **2:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 6, 2016**, at the Offices of Eley Guild Hardy Architects, 1091 Tommy Munro Drive, Biloxi, Mississippi, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

Single stipulated sum bids will be received for all work required by the Contract Documents in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Contract Documents may be obtained from:

Office of the Architect, Eley Guild Hardy Architects, P.A.,
329 East Capitol Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201

A deposit is not required. Bid preparation will be in accordance with **Instructions to Bidders** bound in the Project Manual. All proposals must be on file with the Owner prior to the opening time as stated above. All proposals must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope as indicated "**Hope Academy, Furniture Package**" to be opened on {bidder to insert date here}. Envelopes not so marked are submitted at the risk of the Bidder and the Owner assumes no responsibility for the premature opening of same by any Owner or Owner's representative employee.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders. Performance and Payment Bonds will be required from the successful bidder. Bidders shall comply with law of the State of Mississippi requiring Certificate of Responsibility.

Resident contractors shall, in accordance with laws of the State of Mississippi, be granted preference over non-residents in the award of this contract in the same manner and to the same extent as provided by the laws of the state of domicile of the non-resident. A non-resident contractor shall attach to his proposal a copy of his resident state's current law pertaining to such state's treatment of non-resident contractors.

The regulations related to procurement for disaster relief programs funded with federal dollars are outlined in § 13.36 of Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations. 13.36(e)(1) requires all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

To achieve these affirmative steps the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, will take affirmative steps to assure that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources; Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises; Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, which encourage participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises; Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration <http://www.sba.gov/tools/local-assistance> ; the Mississippi Minority Business Registry <http://mmbr.org/>; and/or the Mississippi Development Authority Minority Business Directory <http://minority.mississippi.org/default.aspx>

Prime Contractor(s) must submit a letter to be included with the Bid Form, certifying the contractor has taken affirmative steps to assure that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises were solicited as potential sources for subcontracting for the Furniture Package for Hope Academy. Letter shall identify the steps taken by the prime contractor to solicit small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises. Failure to submit with the Bid may result in disqualification of the Bid.

The successful bidder must adhere to the Owner's policy concerning non-discrimination without regard to race, creed, color, age, sex, national origin or handicap. No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

HOPE ACADEMY
HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Run: Tuesday, March 22, 2016
Tuesday, March 29, 2016