

BERGEN COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

The Bergen County Board of Social Services (the "Board") is soliciting Qualification Statements from interested persons and/or firms for the provision of listed services. Inclusion of a position in this notice, however, does not constitute a warranty that the Board will fill the position at this time or through this process. Through a Request for Qualification process, persons and/or firms interested in assisting the Board with the provision of such services must prepare and submit a Qualification Statement in accordance with the procedure and schedule in the RFQs. The Board will review Qualification Statements only from those firms that submit a Qualification Statement which includes all the information required to be included as described (in the sole judgment of the Board). The Board intends to select (a) person(s) and/or firm(s) that (a) possess(es) the professional, financial and administrative capabilities to provide the proposed services, and (b) agrees and meets the terms and conditions determined by the Board that provide the greatest benefit to the taxpayers of Bergen County.

The selection of Qualified Respondents is not subject to the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. The selection is, however, subject to the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play" Law, (the "Law"), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. The Board has structured a procurement process that seeks to obtain the desired results, while establishing a competitive process, to assure that each person and/or firm is provided an equal opportunity to submit a Qualification Statement in response to the RFQ.

Qualification Statements must be submitted to, and received by William Connelly, Chairman, Bergen County Board of Social Services, 218 Route 17 North-4TH Floor, Rochelle Park, New Jersey 07662, before 11:00 a.m. on December 22, 2020. Qualification Statements will not be accepted by facsimile transmission or e-mail. The responses will be publicly opened and announced at 2:00 p.m. on December 22, 2020 via Lightpath Audio Conference in the Conference Room of the Board's offices. Interested parties may access the opening of the proposals by dialing in to: 1 (866) 305-0232 and entering Access Code: 585292. The Board is requesting Qualification Statements for the following positions:

- (1) General Counsel
- (2) Labor Counsel
- (3) Insurance Consultant
- (4) Auditor

Copies of specifications will be on file at the Director's Office and may be requested by contacting the Bergen County Board of Social Services, 218 Route 17 North, Rochelle Park, New Jersey at (201) 368-4203 commencing December 7, 2020, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. prevailing time, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays, or by accessing the Board's website at www.bcbss.com.

Qualification Statements must be submitted in the manner designated in the Instructions, must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing name and address of the bidder and the name of the work on the outside, addressed to the Bergen County Board of Social Services.

Adina Yacoub, Director
Bergen County Board of Social Services