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**Date: January 29, 2024**

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## **Request for Quotation No. 24-3003821**

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### **Animal Shelter Consulting Services**

**I. Attachments:**

- A. Scope of Work
- B. Quote Form
- C. Bidder Contact Information
- D. Reference Form and Reference Check Release Statement
- E. Bidder Affidavit
- F. Insurance Requirements

**III. Payment Terms:**

Payment by the County for the services will be made only after the services have been performed and an invoice is submitted in a form specified by the County. The invoice should specifically describe the services performed, the name(s) of the personnel performing such services. The County will make payment monthly, thirty (30) days after receipt of the invoice.

**IV. Scope of Work:**

See Attachment A

**V. Federal Work Authorization Program:**

All qualifying contractors and subcontractors performing work with DeKalb County, Georgia must register and participate in the federal work authorization program to verify the work eligibility information of new employees. In order for a Quotation to be considered, it is mandatory that the Quote Form – Attachment B, Reference Form – Attachment D, and Bidders Affidavit E be completed with bidders proposal.

**VI. Due Date:**

**All questions are due to Procurement Manager, Delois Robinson via email at [drobinson@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:drobinson@dekalbcountyga.gov) on or before 5:00 p.m. EST on Wednesday, January 31, 2024.**

**Additional Information/Addenda**

The County will issue responses to inquiries and any other corrections or amendments it deems necessary in a written addenda issued prior to the due date. Bidders should not rely on any representations, statements or explanations other than those made in this RFQ or in an addendum to this RFQ. Where there appears to be a conflict between the RFQ and any addenda issued, the last addendum issued will prevail. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to ensure awareness of all addenda issued for this solicitation. Please acknowledge the addenda and submit to the DeKalb County Department of Purchasing and Contracting as requested. Bidders may contact the above listed contact person to verify the number of addenda prior to submission. Addenda issued for this RFQ will be posted on DeKalb County's website, <https://www.dekalbcountyga.ov/informal bids>. Bidder should regularly check the County's website for addenda.

**Quotes are due on or before 5:00 p.m. EST on Monday, February 5, 2024.** Bidder must complete and return their proposal, quote form, references form, bidder affidavit and provide a copy of Bidder's valid business license to DeKalb County by email to the attention of **Procurement Manager, Delois Robinson** or email to [drobinson@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:drobinson@dekalbcountyga.gov).

**All quotes are to be provided on Attachment B, Quote Form (page 6).**

Thank you for your interest in doing business with DeKalb County.

Sincerely,

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Procurement Manager  
Department of Purchasing and Contracting

## ATTACHMENT A

### SCOPE OF WORK

**DeKalb County's Department** of Public Safety, Police Services and Animal Control Division is seeking an Animal Shelter Consultant to provide the County with a comprehensive management audit of Animal Shelter and Animal Services. The study's recommendation must adhere to the County government's commitment to humanely engage animals as well as the County's needs and capabilities. This audit's recommendations should fiscally evaluate current operations and essentially strengthen the shelter's ability to adhere to procedures, practices and customs required to successfully pass monthly and unannounced Georgia Department of Agriculture Animal Welfare inspections. All recommendations must be fiscally responsible, provide for public and animal safety, increase the number of animals helped in the community and decrease the number of animals entering as well as their length of stay in the shelter/foster systems.

Responders should be from experienced and interested firms that have successfully completed similar projects. A written report to only the DeKalb County Administration is required to be presented within 45 days of award. That report shall be specific to DeKalb County Animal Shelter needs as well as related DeKalb County Animal Enforcement Services.

The County's primary concern is there be a positive investment for the County's growing community, one that is sustainable for future years; that any suggested capacity increase facility be right sized and appropriately located. Of course, a recommendation to increase capacity requires detailed, management options utilizing best practices, and methods, which will result in appropriate live outcomes; that County facilities have adequate capacity for holding animals in a humane manner which promotes good health to find permanent homes with a responsible individual or family and/or transfer to another reputable and trustworthy organization, shelter or rescue group.

Consultant must provide and make recommendations to create, develop, and earn public trust via a progressive, model community-based animal welfare system that includes but is not limited to:

- Key Performance Indicators and data reporting systems verifications, and recommendations for response to trend analysis, overpopulation and low cost spay and neuter access to prevent overpopulation
- Responsible, effective public policies including financial management

- Updating and guidance regarding Standard Operating Procedures and Community-based field services
- Staff/Volunteer management, accountability, and table or organization/chain of command
- Safety Net and Coordinated Triage Admission including effective community cat management
- Best practice access to services, equity issues, intake policies, enrichment for sheltered pets, population management, shelter medicine and surgery that includes disease prevention and treatment, length of stay, behavior support, and live outcome programs such as foster, adoption, rescue, and transport
- Fiscally responsible budgeting and potential funding sources
- Social media outreach enhancements
- Purchasing and inventory of supplies
- Sustainable resolution of animal welfare issues through community-wide and shelter programs
- Collaborative efforts with advocates and other local, state, regional, and national organizations including the Georgia Department of Agriculture
- Any other services typically delivered in a shelter management audit

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

The awarded Consultant(s) should specialize in Animal Shelter and Animal Services Feasibility Studies. To be eligible to respond to this RFQ, the proposing firm must demonstrate that it, or the principals assigned to the project, have successfully completed services like those specified in the Scope of Work to institutions similar in size and complexity to DeKalb County.

## **REFERENCES:**

DeKalb County requires respondent to respond on the attached Reference Form a list of at least three (3) references where like services have been completed. Include the name/description of the project, company, address, email address, telephone number, direct client contact and the contract period (beginning date and actual completion date).

## **PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS/SUBMITTALS:**

All proposals shall demonstrate the consultant(s) experience in performing a project of this scale and complexity. For the County representatives to accurately evaluate whether the respondent meets "Minimum Qualifications for All Respondent" and the "Scope of Work" proposals shall Include:

### ***(Less than three (3) typewritten pages)***

- Brief summary of:
  - a. Recent projects.
  - b. Projects you have experience in that are similar to the project described in this solicitation.
  - c. Projects that show experience or ability to engage in value engineering to complete a project within budget.
- Brief general statement of qualifications that responds to the project introduction and description provided above
- List of at least the last three (3) projects the firm has completed
- Include - A copy of a previously completed management audit for one of the references must be supplied and submitted with the response to this RFQ.

## **AWARD OF CONTRACT:**

The County reserves the right to award a contract for named project to a respondent(s) on the basis of "best value". Best value will be determined based on cost, experience, qualifications, and references.

**End of Specifications**

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**Quote Form**

<b>ITEM NO.</b>	<b>ITEM DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>UNIT</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>
1	Animal Shelter Consulting Services	LUMP SUM	\$

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(State the amount in writing on this line above)

**ATTACHMENT C**

**BIDDER CONTACT INFORMATION**

1. Are you a DeKalb County Firm?    Yes                       No
2. Has your firm been in Chapter 7 during the last ten (10) years?    Yes                       No

Signed, sealed, and dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Business

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Business Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Typed or Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Responder's Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

## Attachment D

### Reference Form and Reference Check Release Statement

List below at least three (3) references, including company name, contract period, contact name, email address, telephone numbers and project name of individuals who can verify your experience and ability to perform the type of service listed in the solicitation.

Company Name	Contract Period
Contact Person Name and Title	Telephone Number (include area code)
Email Address	
Project Description	

Company Name	Contract Period
Contact Person Name and Title	Telephone Number (include area code)
Email Address	
Project Description	

Company Name	Contract Period
Contact Person Name and Title	Telephone Number (include area code)
Email Address	
Project Description	

#### REFERENCE CHECK RELEASE STATEMENT

You are authorized to contact the references provided above for purposes of this RFQ.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
(Authorized Signature of Proposer)

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**Attachment E**

**CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT**

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, as amended, stating affirmatively that the bidder submitting a bid, contractor, firm or corporation which is contracting with DEKALB COUNTY, GA, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, has registered with and is participating in a federal work authorization program\* [any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), P.L. 99-603, in accordance with the applicability provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, as amended]. The affiant agrees to continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period.

The undersigned further agrees that, should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the physical performance of services pursuant to this contract with the COUNTY, contractor will secure from such subcontractor(s) similar verification of compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, as amended, on the Subcontractor Affidavit form. Contractor further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the COUNTY, within five (5) days from when the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such service.

\_\_\_\_\_  
BY: Authorized Officer or Agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Federal Work Authorization  
Identification Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Company Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Enrollment Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Bidder

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address (do not include a post office box)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN  
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

# ATTACHMENT F

## INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

**IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY & FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS LISTED HEREIN**

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**Insurance must meet the County’s requirements and will be furnished by the successful Bidder(s) upon award.**

1. Successful Bidder(s) will advise their insurance agent of the County’s requirements as listed below and that they may not proceed with any work until insurance is provided that is in compliance with these requirements.
2. Contractor’s insurance company or agent must mail, email, or bring an Original certificate of insurance and applicable declarations or endorsements to the DeKalb County address listed within this Insurance provision. Insurance must be from companies able to do business in Georgia and acceptable to the County as follows:
  - a. Certificates must cover:
    - i. Statutory Workers Compensation
    - ii. Employer’s liability insurance by accident, each accident **\$1,000,000**
    - iii. Employer’s liability insurance by disease, policy limit **\$1,000,000**
    - iv. Employer’s liability insurance by disease, each employee **\$1,000,000**
    - v. Business Auto Liability Insurance with a minimum \$500,000 Combined Single Limit/Each Occurrence (Including operation of non-owned, owned, and hired automobiles).
    - vi. Commercial General Liability Insurance
      1. Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000
      2. Fire Damage - \$250,000
      3. Medical Expense - \$10,000
      4. Personal & Advertising Injury - \$1,000,000
      5. General Aggregate - \$2,000,000
      6. Products & Completed Operations - \$1,500,000
      7. Contractual Liability where applicable
  - b. DeKalb County, GA shall be named as Additional Insured under any General Liability, Business Auto and Umbrella Policies. Coverage shall apply as Primary and non-contributory with Waiver of Subrogation in favor of DeKalb County, Georgia. Such additional insured coverage shall be endorsed to Contractor’s policy by attachment of ISO Additional Insured Endorsement forms CG 20 10 10 01 (ongoing operations) and CG 20 37 10 01 (products- completed operations), or form(s) providing equivalent coverage.
  - c. This insurance for the County as the additional insured shall be as broad as the coverage provided for the named-insured Contractor. It shall apply as primary insurance before any other insurance or self-insurance, including any deductible,

- d. Contractor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation and other rights of recovery against the County and its elected officials, officers, employees or agents, and shall cause each Subcontractor to waive all rights of subrogation for all coverages.
- e. Certificates shall state that the policy or policies shall not expire, be cancelled or altered without at least sixty (60) days prior written notice to the County.
- f. Contractor understands and agrees that the purchase of insurance in no way limits the liability of the Contractor.
- g. The insurance carrier must have a minimum A.M. Best's rating of not less than "A" (Excellent) with a Financial Size Category of VII or better.
- h. Certificates to contain policy number, policy limits and policy expiration date of all policies issued in accordance with this contract.
- i. Certificates to contain the location and operations to which the insurance applies.
- j. Certificates to contain successful contractor's protective coverage for any subcontractor's operations. If this coverage is included in General Liability, please indicate on the Certificate of Insurance.
- k. Certificates to contain successful contractor's contractual insurance coverage. If this coverage is included in the General Liability, please indicate this on the Certificate of Insurance.
- l. Certificates shall be issued and delivered to the County and must identify the "Certificate Holder" as follows:
- m. The successful contractor shall be wholly responsible for securing certificates of insurance coverage as set forth above from all subcontractors who are engaged in this work.

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