


Cameron County Commissioners' Court Agenda Request Form

REF #2100-3

No. 2-NN

Date: 06/14/2021 Meeting Date Request: 06/22/2021
Department Name: Purchasing Department Contact Person: Michael Forbes
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Caption: CONSENT ITEM

Consideration and authorization to utilize Region One ESC – South Texas COOP Interlocal Cooperative Purchasing Agreement for the following:

- 1. Discount Warehouse Proposal
- 2. Equipment & Small Kitchen Ware
- 3. Food: Bread, Tortillas **2100-3**
- 4. Food: Dairy & Juice Products
- 5. Dispensed Products
- 6. Food Items
- 7. Food: Processing of USDA Foods
- 8. Grease Trap Cleaning

Background: (Briefly summarize your request, if needed use separate sheet(s) or attach supporting documentation).

(2) Year Renewal **Approved by Commissioners' Court
on 06/22/2021**

PLEASE FILL IN ALL BLANKS WITH REQUIRED INITIALS AND FISCAL DATA INFORMATION OR PLACE N/A IF IS NOT APPLICABLE:

County Judge n/a Auditor n/a Budget n/a Legal n/a Human Resources n/a Purchasing n/a
1295 Form n/a

Fiscal Data: Dept. Name: n/a Fund No. n/a **Funds From:** Department: Yes n/a No n/a Amt. Expended: \$ n/a
Funds Available: Yes No General: Yes n/a No n/a Impact on future budget: Yes No
Grant: Yes n/a No n/a

Comments:

Action taken by Commissioners' Court
Approved _____ Tabled _____ Denied _____ Motion made by _____ Seconded _____ Vote _____

Purchasing

The Purchasing Department provides quality support and assistance in the area of purchasing to all Region One ESC programs, and its cooperative members in Region One and other school districts, charter schools, and governmental entities throughout the State to operate more efficiently and economically.

The primary focus of our cooperatives is to assist participating members in the administration of fiscally sound programs through the procurement of cost-effective goods and services, and compliance with all bid law requirements. Authority for such services is granted by Texas Education Code §8.053.

Our Process:

The Purchasing Department is committed to ensuring a transparent bid process to our internal and external customers that drives community perceptions. To offer clarity, our standard procedures and timelines are outlined in this [Bid Process Flowchart \(/fs/resource-manager/view/4625ca51-befd-46d0-a37d-3bcc176771e6\)](#).

Services Resources Bids & Proposals

— Child Nutrition Program - South Texas Cooperative (CNP-STC)

The South Texas Cooperative was established on September 8, 1999, and continues to play an integral part in achieving healthy school meals and efficient business practices by ensuring high quality, customer satisfying, cost effective food and supplies for its members. The primary focus of the CNP-STC is to assist participating members in the administration of a fiscally sound School Nutrition Program, and compliance with bid law requirements. The CNP-STC acts as a coordinating center for all bids/proposals; authority for such services is granted by Texas Education Code § 8.053.

The South Texas Cooperative administers food service related bids and proposals to meet the specific needs of our School Nutrition Program members.

Competitive Procurement

- **Bids & Proposals**
 - Bread & Tortilla Products
 - Cafeteria Dining Decor
 - Dairy & Juice Products
 - Dispensed Products
 - Equipment & Small Kitchen Wares
 - Food Items
 - Food Service Apparel, Shoes and Accessories
 - Fresh Produce - NEW!
 - Frozen Dessert Products
 - Janitorial Supplies & Paper/Plastic Products
 - Manufacturer Direct Ship to District Warehouse Commercial Products
 - Processing of USDA Foods
 - Removal of Grease from Traps & Barrels
 - School Nutrition Program Food Safety and Sanitation Products and Services
 - Wireless Temperature Monitoring Systems

Processing of USDA Foods

CNP-STC consolidates further processing requests of USDA Food allocations for its members. Small or medium sized schools could not do this on their own because further processing requests must be done in truckload quantities. By aggregating the members further processing requests through the CNP-STC, all schools, regardless of size, are provided the opportunity to take advantage of this valuable service.



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TO: Child Nutrition Program – South Texas Cooperative (CNP-STC) Members

FROM: Lori Atwood Ramos, Purchasing Director

SUBJECT: **Child Nutrition Program - South Texas Cooperative Bread and Tortilla Products**
RFP 24-0152

DATE: June 18, 2024

This competitively solicited request for proposal (RFP) allows Child Nutrition Program – South Texas Cooperative members to procure bread and tortilla products such as, but not limited to sandwich bread, hot dog buns, hamburger buns, corn tortillas, wraps, flour tortillas, on an as-needed-basis, suitable for School Nutrition Programs. Item descriptions, specifications and/or technical requirements and estimated quantities were competitively procured and awarded. CNP-South Texas Cooperative members are required to conduct a cost or price analysis for the procurement of goods and/or services not listed in the BidTable, and within the scope of services offered with this bid solicitation. Cooperative members are responsible for the selection of goods and/or services available to meet their individual menu needs, nutrition goals, storage capabilities, and student preferences.

On May 29, 2024, the Region One ESC Purchasing Department received three (3) responses to Bread and Tortilla Products RFP 23-0152. Proposals were evaluated to select the best-qualified vendors based on the established criteria. Three (3) vendors are being recommended for the award. Vendors recommended for the award had complete requests for proposal submissions with an evaluation score of 70 or greater. The term of this proposal is effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025 with four (4) one-year extension options if all parties are in agreement. The tabulation and evaluation summary are enclosed for your review and consideration.

On June 18, 2024, the Region One ESC Board of Directors met to review and approve the recommendations of the Child Nutrition Program - South Texas Cooperative (CNP-STC), acting on behalf of its members, for award of CNP-STC Bread and Tortilla Products RFP 24-0152. The following three (3) vendors were awarded for the term of this proposal effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025 with four (4) one-year extension options if all parties are in agreement:

- Bimbo Bakeries USA, Inc. – Horsham, PA
- Exquisita Tortillas, Inc. – Edinburg, TX.
- Flowers Baking Company of San Antonio, LLC – Dallas, TX.

For your convenience, the order guide has been revised on posted on the Purchasing webpage under Bids & Proposals.

For additional information or questions, please contact the Region One Purchasing Department at eBuyOne@esc1.net:

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