

NOTICE INVITING GENERAL CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION

The **University of California, Irvine (UCI)** requests the qualifications of General Building (B) contractors or Electrical (C-10) Contractors who also hold a General Building (B) license wishing to submit **DESIGN BUILD** proposals for the **FIRE LIFE SAFETY UPGRADES, PROJECT NO. 5113021 / CONTRACT NO. 9861193**.

The University's primary objective in utilizing the design build approach is to bring the best available integrated design and construction experience to this project. The University has determined that proposers who submit proposals on this project must be prequalified.

Prequalification questionnaires will be accepted from General Contractors with a General Building (B) license and Electrical (C-10) Contractors who also hold a General Building (B) license that have completed comparable projects as described in the questionnaire.

DESCRIPTION:

The project consists of upgrading obsolete and/or failing fire alarm systems to improve safety in 16 campus buildings, including academic buildings and support facilities.

CONSTRUCTION DURATION: 24 - 36 months

ESTIMATED DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION COST: \$3,500,000 - \$5,000,000

PROJECT DELIVERY: Design Build

PROCEDURES: Prequalification questionnaires will be available electronically at **4:00 PM on June 12, 2025** from UCI Design & Construction Services.

Mandatory Prequalification Conference begins promptly at **9:00 AM on Wednesday, June 18, 2025** by Zoom meeting at: <https://uci.zoom.us/j/93815427681>.

Prequalification questionnaires must be received via email to laditam@uci.edu by **5:00 PM on June 30, 2025**.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

- At least two (2) **INSTITUTIONAL OR HIGHER EDUCATION** projects **LOCATED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA** for which the firm served as the **PRIME CONTRACTOR** and for which the construction cost was at least \$5,000,000 each
- At least two (2) projects that include **RENOVATION IN AN OCCUPIED FACILITY** with **FIRE ALARM PANEL AND FIELD DEVICE** replacement for which the construction cost was at least \$3,500,000 each.
- At least two (2) projects that included **FIRE ALARM PANEL UPGRADES AND INTEGRATION WITH A NOTIFICATION/REPORTING SYSTEM** in an **OCCUPIED FACILITY** for which the construction cost was at least \$500,000 each.
- At least one (1) project **COMPLETED IN A HIGH-RISE BUILDING AND INCLUDED AN EMERGENCY RESPONDER COMMUNICATION COVERAGE (ERCC) SYSTEM.**
- At least one (1) project that included the **ABATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PERFORMED BY EITHER THE PRIME CONTRACTOR OR THE ABATEMENT CONTRACTOR.**
- At least one (1) project for which your firm **SELF-PERFORMED AT LEAST 10%** of the construction.

UCI reserves the right to reject any or all responses to this notice, to waive non-material irregularities, and to deem Contractors prequalified for the project. To prequalify, Contractors must agree to comply with all conditions including state prevailing wages, 10% bid bond, 100% payment and performance bonds, and insurance requirements. General Building (B) or Electrical Contractor (C-10) with a General Building (B) California Contractors Licenses are required.

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law or University policy. Each Bidder may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy. The successful bidder and its subcontractors will be required to follow the nondiscrimination requirements set forth in the bid documents and to pay prevailing wage rates at the location of the work.

In addition, the University is committed to promoting and increasing participation of small business enterprises (SBEs) and disabled veteran business enterprises (DVBES) relating to all goods and services covered under the awarded agreement, subject to any and all applicable obligations under state and federal law, and University policies. The awarded contractor shall make best efforts to provide qualified SBEs and DVBES with the maximum opportunity to participate. Please contact the listed contact person for further information.

The work described in the contract is a public work subject to section 1771 of the California Labor Code.

No contractor or subcontractor, regardless of tier, may be listed on a Bid for, or engage in the performance of, any portion of this project, unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 and 1771.1.

This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

The successful bidder shall pay all persons providing construction services and/or any labor on site, including any University location, no less than the UC Fair Wage (defined as \$15 per hour) and shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local working condition requirements.

Contact Ladita McBride, Senior Contracts Analyst at (949) 824-1190 or laditam@uci.edu for the questionnaire. For other opportunities: <https://www.fm.uci.edu/> and www.designandconstruction.uci.edu.

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