

This is a Sources Sought only to determine if requested requirements (Bread and Rolls Procurement) are entirely available for a total set-aside for a small business. Small businesses able to handle this procurement are requested to respond to this Sources Sought.

This is not a solicitation for offers.

The Request for Information (RFI) for Commercial products in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 12.1. No proposals are requested by this announcement; all responses shall be solely in the form of information and materials. In accordance with FAR 15.201(e), responses to this notice are not offers and cannot be accepted by the Government to form a binding contract. The Government is under no obligation to issue a solicitation or to award any contract on the basis of this RFI. Further, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is not seeking proposals and will not accept unsolicited proposals or any cost or pricing data. The Government will not pay for any information or administrative costs incurred in response to this RFI. All costs associated with responding to this RFI will be the sole responsibility of the contractor. All submissions will be treated as business confidential materials, become Government property, and will not be returned.

The Department of Veterans Affairs Network 15 intends to award a contract for Bread and Roll products. The Government anticipates award of a Firm Fixed-Price estimated requirements contract for a base year period with one and half additional options year period. This will be contract for the following facility: Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital located in Columbia, Missouri as required and must be located in the **geographical area** to provide fresh goods. The appropriate NAICS code is 311812 with a size standard of 500 employees.

Questions:

(1) Is your company currently providing similar services to another government agency or other non-government customer? If so, please identify the agency or non-government customer. If you are unwilling to share your customers' identity, please address whether your company offers the same or similar services commercially (outside of the federal government).

(2) Identify your company's Small Business size status based upon the applicable NAICS code of 311812. The Small Business Size Standard for this NAICS code is 500 employees. For more information refer to <http://www.sba.gov/>.
Small Business Concern

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Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)

Woman-owned Small Business

Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HubZone)

Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB)

Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB)

(3) The Government has selected the applicable NAICS code for this effort based upon the type of system to be provided to this facility (**Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital**). If in responding to this RFI you believe another NAICS code should be applicable, please identify the NAICS code you consider appropriate for this effort along with detailed supporting rationale.

(4) Provide any other pertinent information as deemed necessary to demonstrate your and any proposed team member's capabilities and prior experience as it relates to the requirements set forth above.

(5) Is your firm currently registered in VA's Vendor Information Pages (VIP) database?

Yes No

(6) List any General Services Administration (GSA) Schedules or Government-Wide Acquisition Contracts that you are currently performing under.

Submittal Information

The VA is looking to receive input from vendors (**Small Business Concerns**) capable of distributing and handling the demands of this Bread and Rolls procurement. Interested parties may submit a capability statement, no more than five (5) pages, for your company. Any commercial brochures or currently existing marketing material may also be submitted with the capabilities statement. Please also denote the business size for North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code 311812. Please include company name, company address, and DUNS Number.

Structure of Responses:

Responses are requested **no later than 11:00 PM EST on Nov 8, 2013**, via email to shiela.morrall1@va.gov.

The Primary Point of Contact (POC) for this RFI is as follows: Shiela Morrall, Contracting Officer– Network 15, Phone (913)946-1959.