

## NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BID

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, is soliciting bids for the following: **BID #26-050, Wabash Resource Center Basketball Court and Sidewalk (CDBG)**

A **MANDATORY** pre-bid will be held Monday, December 15, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. in the Wabash Resource Center conference room, located at 1230 Southern Ave, Lakeland, FL 33815. An authorized representative or agent of the Bidder must be present at this meeting, as evidenced by their signature on the meeting's sign-in sheet, or the Bidder's Submittal will be considered non-responsive.

Bid packages may be obtained from the Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida, 33830, (863) 534-6757 or downloaded from our website at <https://www.polk-county.net/business/procurement/>.

Respondents must submit one (1) original copy of the bid submittal prior to 2:00 p.m. on the bid receiving date. Bids must be submitted in a "sealed" parcel or electronically through Polk County's secure website, Kiteworks. Bids will be publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on receiving date.

To obtain a copy of the construction plans, CDBG documents, and bid sheet please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevndor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder "**26-050, Wabash Resource Center Basketball Court and Sidewalk.zip**", select "Open" or "Save As" to download the Bid documents, drawings, and technical specifications. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Brad Howard at [bradhoward@polk-county.net](mailto:bradhoward@polk-county.net).

**Scope of Work:** Provide all labor, material, equipment, and supervision required to form and pour a new regulation basketball court and sidewalk at the Wabash Resource Center Park located at 1230 Southern Avenue, Lakeland, FL, 33815 in accordance with project specifications and drawings outlined in this bid document.

The construction cost estimate for the project is \$577,045.00.

**Qualification Requirements:** Contractor must hold a valid State of Florida Contractor (GC) license or a Certified Building Contractor (CBC) license and have performed at least 3 projects of similar size and scope services as the prime contractor within the past five (5) years.

Liquidated Damages will be assessed at \$200.00 per day.

The Contract Time for this project is a total of 120 calendar days from Notice to Proceed to reach Substantial Completion and 150 calendar days from Notice to Proceed for Final Completion.

**Receiving Date:** Prior to 2:00 p.m., **Wednesday, January 7, 2026**, NO EXCEPTIONS

**BID OPENING:** Bidders may attend the Bid Opening in person or via conference call by dialing (646) 558-8656 and enter Meeting ID: 327 647 2818. A listing of all bidders will be posted to Procurement's website as soon as possible after bid opening.

**QUESTIONS:** Questions regarding this bid should be in writing and should reference the above Bid. Submit all questions to Brad Howard, Senior Procurement Analyst, via email at [bradhoward@polk-county.net](mailto:bradhoward@polk-county.net) or via fax at (863) 534-6789 by 4:00 p.m. on December 19, 2025.

**Special Instructions:** The County hereby notifies all Bidders that Women/Minority Business Enterprise firms are to be afforded a full opportunity to participate in any bid by the County and will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin. It is asked that Bidders make good faith efforts to use qualified W/MBE subcontractors in preparing their bid. Bidders are encouraged to contact the Office of Supplier Diversity at (863) 534-5959 for assistance or visit our website at: <http://vendordirectory.polk-county.net/default.aspx?id=0>

**STATEMENT OF NO BID  
BID #26-050**

If submitting a "NO BID", Bidder shall return this form to the Polk County Board of County Commissioners Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida 33830; or fax it to (863) 534-6789.

**We have declined to bid on the above-mentioned bid for the following reasons (Please Circle all that apply):**

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| Specifications too "restrictive." | Insufficient time to respond to invitation for bid |
| Do not offer this product/service | Our schedule would not permit us to perform        |
| Unable to meet specifications     | Unable to meet bond/insurance requirements         |
| Specifications unclear            |  |

Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_