Warren County Community College
475 Route 57 West
Washington, N.J. 07882

Request for Proposals:
On-Call Professional Engineering Services
22-07

Office of Campus Operations
Dennis Florentine
Dean of Administration
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES

Key Dates

Request for Proposals Available: September 28, 2021

Key Dates for Proposers:

Any Clarification Questions on the RFP must be received by the College in writing by: October 4, 2021

College will respond to all potential firms With answers to clarifying questions by: October 7, 2021

Proposals must be received by the College By 1:30 pm on: October 20, 2021

Tentative Decision Date:

Contract Awarded by Board of Trustees: November 17, 2021

Contact Information for questions:

Mr. Dennis Florentine
Dean of Administration
Warren County Community College
475 Route 57 West
Washington, NJ 07882-9605
Office: 908-835-2626
dflorentine@warren.edu
WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

ON-CALL PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – Warren County Community College seeks engineering firm(s) to provide on-call engineering services for small scale renovations, alterations and additions as may be required to support ongoing and changing needs of the College. The College may award contracts to individual firms for the respective disciplines of Civil, Structural and MEP or one firm encompassing all disciplines.

SCOPE OF SERVICE

Professional Services includes but are not limited to, Engineering Services, Planning, Feasibility Studies, Code Compliance Reviews, Assistance with Permits, Energy Audits, Space Renovations, Surveying Services, Sustainable Design consulting, and any combination of the services or associated services as may be required for projects. Award of professional services does not preclude the College from utilizing the public bid process for large scale projects.

Response Date: In order to be considered for selection, proposals must be received at Warren County Community College, Office of Campus Operations, (475 Route 57 West, Washington, N.J. 07882) no later than 1:30 PM on Wednesday October 20, 2021.

Any proposal in route will not be considered timely and will be returned unopened. Proposals received after this deadline will be late and ineligible for consideration.

Inquiries: All inquiries or requests for clarification arising after the issuance of this RFP shall be submitted in writing by email or fax to:

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Questions and answers will be consolidated and provided to all firms on record as having received this RFP.

Consideration of Proposals: The College may award a contract based on initial proposals received without discussion of such proposals with firms. Accordingly, each proposal should be submitted with the most favorable price and service available. The College may initiate discussion should clarification be necessary.
**Oral Presentation:** If an oral presentation by a firm is required by WCCC, these presentations will be scheduled by the Dean of Administration subsequent to the receipt of proposals and prior to the award of the contract.

**Award of the Contract:** The Board of Trustees is authorized to approve a firm or firms for the proposed services based on a recommendation from the Operations committee for the selected qualified engineering firm(s). The decision of the Board of Trustees is final.

**Contract Period and Effective Date:** The RFP term will be from on or about November 17, 2021 to on or about November 17, 2022 with an option for a second-year renewal upon approval of the College’s Board of Trustees.

**Notices:** The firm must specify the name, title and address of the person to whom all correspondence regarding any contract awarded as a result this RFP should be directed (including amendments to the contract).

**Incurring Costs:** The College will not be liable for any cost that firms may incur in the preparation or presentation of their proposal(s). Proposals should be concise, straightforward and prepared simply. However, there is no intent within these instructions to limit a proposal’s content or to exclude any relevant or essential data.

**Addendum to RFP:** In the event that it becomes necessary to revise this RFP in total or in part, an addendum will be provided to all firms on record as having received this RFP.

**Authorized Firm Representatives:** The proposal will list the name, title, office address, telephone number and fax number of the person(s) authorized to represent the firm regarding this RFP.

**Assignment:** The successful firm shall not assign or subcontract any portion of its obligations under the contract without the prior written consent of the College. Assignment or subcontracting shall in no way relieve the successful firm of any of its obligations.

**Compliance:** The firm hereby agrees to abide with all applicable federal, state, county and township laws and be responsible for obtaining and/or maintaining licenses that may be required. The College is governed by N.J.S.A. 18A:64A 25.1 et seq. This RFP must also comply with PL2005.c.19, c.51 and c.271, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et.seq. Furthermore, a NJ Business Registration Certificate and Equal Employment Opportunity Certification are required. Respondent is advised of the responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A 20.13 (P.L. 2005 c.271,s.c) if they receive a contract in excess of $50,000.00 from a public entity.

**Acceptance of Services Rendered:** The College, through its designated representatives, will be the sole determining judge of whether services rendered under this RFP satisfy the requirements as identified.

**Anti-Collusion:** The submittal of a proposal constitutes agreement that the firm has not divulged its proposal to companies, nor has the company colluded with any other firms or parties to a proposal what-so-ever.
Insurance and Indemnification: Upon selection, the firm shall be required to maintain comprehensive general liability insurance of at least $1,000,000.00 naming the College as an additional insured in any such policy of insurance thereof for this specific contract of services, and shall provide the College with a Certificate of Insurance as evidence of said policy upon execution of an agreement. The firm shall be required to maintain automobile liability coverage for claims arising from owned, hired or leased vehicles with limits of not less than $1,000,000 any one person and $1,000,000 any one accident for bodily injury, and $1,000,000 for property damage.

The firm shall maintain Worker’s Compensation Insurance covering all employees who perform any services in relation to this agreement.

The firm shall also maintain professional liability insurance of at least $1,000,000.00 and shall provide the College with a Certificate of Insurance as evidence of said policy upon execution of this agreement.

The firm hereby indemnifies and will hold the College harmless from all liability, claims, and actions and cost arising from all tortuous or negligent acts or omissions whatever of Consultant, its agents, servants, employees, contracts and/or subcontractors, including cost of defense and/or attorney’s fees engendered thereby.

PROPOSAL RESPONSE OUTLINE

Proposals must be concise and in outline format. Pertinent supplemental information should be referenced and included as attachments. All proposals must be organized and tabbed to comply with the following sections:

A. LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL: The letter of transmittal should include an introduction about the firm including the name, address, telephone number, fax number and E-mail address of the person(s) to be contacted along with others who are authorized to represent the firm in dealing with this RFP.

B. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: An executive summary will briefly describe the Firm’s approach in providing services. It should also indicate any major requirements that cannot be met by the firm.

C. DETAILED DISCUSSION: This section should constitute the major portion of the proposal. Failure to provide a written response to items indicated in the RFP will be interpreted by the College as an inability by the firm to provide the requested service or function.

D. COST PROPOSAL: The firm must submit hourly rates and a percentage for reimbursable items.

E. REFERENCES: The firm must submit at least three references as well as all performance experience with other Colleges.

F. MISCELLANEOUS: Additional information and attachments, if any, may be submitted by the firm.

PROPOSAL EVALUATION
The selection of a firm will be based on WCCC’s evaluation of the proposal in accordance with the responses received to the criteria outlined below:

Respondents will be evaluated on their past experience, project organization, past performance, ability to respond to user requirements, experience working with other county colleges, evidence of an appropriate balance of design creativity and budget control.

The respondent is responsible for the accuracy of the information submitted.

Evaluation: The College reserves the right to be the sole judge as to the overall acceptability of any proposal and its decision will be final.

1. All firms shall submit two (2) copies of the above information in the order listed above.

SUBMITTALS – All responses to this RFP should be clearly marked and addressed as follows:

Dennis Florentine
Dean of Administration
Warren County Community College
475 Route 57 West
Washington, N.J. 07882
Office: 908-835-2626

All responses must be received in the Office of Campus Operations by 1:30 PM on Wednesday October 20, 2021. Responses received after this time and date will not be considered.

Address all questions regarding this RFP to Dennis Florentine, dflorentine@warren.edu (email), Email is preferred. Questions must be received no later than the end of the business day on Monday October 4, 2021. Responses will be addressed to all proposers by the end of the business day on Thursday October 7, 2021.

Proposer’s are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. N.J.A.C. 17:27 and must be registered with the Affirmative Action Office, State House, Trenton, New Jersey 08625. The firm is required to comply with P.L., 2004, C57, for New Jersey Business Registration Requirements.

Warren County Community College assumes no liability or responsibility for the cost incurred by the firm for any materials, efforts or expenses required in the preparation of this application or in connection with presentations or demonstrations made prior to the execution of a contract.

Conditions Applicable to RFP

Respondent acknowledges and consents to the following conditions relative to the submission and review and consideration of its Qualification Statement:

☐ All cost incurred by the Respondent in connection with responding to this RFP shall be borne solely by the Respondent.
The College reserves the right (in its sole judgment) to reject for any reason any and all responses and components thereof and to eliminate any and all Respondents responding to this RFP from further consideration for this procurement.

The College reserves the right (in its sole judgment) to reject any Respondent that submits incomplete responses to this RFP.

The College reserves the right, without prior notice, to supplement, amend, or otherwise modify this RFP, or otherwise request additional information.

All Qualification Statements shall become the property of the College and will not be returned.

Rights of College

The College reserves and may exercise, at its sole discretion, the following rights and options with regard to this RFP and the procurement process in accordance with the provisions of applicable law:

To determine that any Qualification Statement received complies or fails to comply with the terms of the RFP.

To supplement, amend or otherwise modify the RFP through issuance of addenda to all prospective Respondents who have received a copy of this RFP.

To waive any technical non-conformance with the terms of this RFP.

To reject any and all bids.

All forms shall be completed and a valid New Jersey Business Registration Certificate shall be included with the response to this RFP.

Form A: Non-collusion affidavit
Form B: Stockholder’s disclosure
Form C: Evidence of affirmative action
Form D: Disclosure of investment activities in Iran
Form E: Signatory page
Form F: Professional fees and reimbursements

New Jersey Business registration certificate to be provided by the responding firm with the proposal or prior to time of contract award.
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

COUNTY OF (Warren)

I ______________________ of the City of ___________________________ in the County of _________ and the State of__________ being of full age, being duly sworn according to law on my oath deposit and that:

I am ___________________________of the firm of _______________________, the Bidder making the Bid for the above-named project, and that I executed the said Bid with full authority so to do; that said Bidder has not, directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion or otherwise taken any action, in restraint of free, competition in connection with the above named action, in restraint of free, competition in connection with the above named project; and that all statements contained in said Bid and in this Warren County Community College relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Bid, and this affidavit and in any statements contained in the Bid, in this affidavit and in any statements requested by the College showing evidence of qualifications in awarding the contract for the said project.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contact upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by

__________________________
(Name of Firm)

Subscribed and sworn to
Before me this __________day
of __________, 20__.

__________________________
(Also type or print name of affiant under signature)

NOTARY PUBLIC OF
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STOCKHOLDERS DISCLOSURE FORM

NAME _________________________________

ADDRESS ___________________________________

CITY & STATE _______________________________

In the space provided, list the names and addresses of all owners, partners, directors, officers, and indirect owners owning 10% or more interest in the bidder’s firm. If corporate owner, list in the space provided stockholders or corporation whose ownership through the corporation is 10% or more of the bidder.

Complete affidavit at the bottom of form. If this has already been submitted to the Warren County Community College, use the form for any changes and complete the affidavit.

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President/CEO of the firm (type or print name) Phone

I certify that:  [ ] List of stockholders, partners or members names and addresses has been submitted to the Warren County Community College and it is current to the best of my knowledge, with exceptions as listed above.

[ ] The list of stockholders, partners or members above is current and correct to the best of my knowledge.

OR

[ ] There are no stockholders, partners or members holding 10% or more interest in this corporation or firm to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Authorized Representative________________________________________________________

Type or Print Name_____________________  Title________________________________

Witnessed by___________________________  Date________________________________

PLEASE COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS FORM AND RETURN IT WITH YOUR PROPOSAL.
EXHIBIT A

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE
N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.
The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval

Certificate of Employee Information Report

Employee Information Report Form AA302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division’s website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance)

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.
AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EVIDENCE

Procurement and Service Contracts

“Proposers are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c. 127”

A. All Contracts

1. Within seven (7) days after receipt of the notification of intent to award this contract or receipt of the contract, whichever is sooner a procurement contractor should present one of the following to Warren County Community College.

   a. An existing federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program.


   c. If the contractor cannot present “a” or “b”, the contractor is required to submit a completed employee Information Report (Form AA302). This form will be made available to the contracts by the Warren County Community College

The following questions must be answered by all prospective bidders:

1. Do you have a federally approved sanctioned Affirmative Action Program?

   ( ) YES ( ) NO

   a. If yes, please submit a photocopy of such approval.

2. Do you have a State of New Jersey certificate of Employee Information Report approval?

   a. If yes, please submit.
DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

_______________________________________  Bidder/Offeror:

PART 1: CERTIFICATION
BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING EITHER BOX.
FAILURE TO CHECK ONE OF THE BOXES WILL RENDER THE PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 64A-25.43, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must complete the certification below to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in Investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf. Bidders, must review this list prior to completing the below certification. Failure to complete the certification will render a bidder's proposal non-responsive. If the Director finds a person or entity to be in violation of law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX:

☐ I certify, pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, that neither the bidder listed above nor any of the bidder's parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's list of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 64A-25.43 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer "or representative of the entity listed above and I am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. I will skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.

☐ OR

I am unable to certify as above because the bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the Department's Chapter 25 list. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities in Part 2 below and sign and complete the Certification below. Failure to provide such will result in the proposal being rendered as non-responsive and appropriate penalties, fines and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

PART 2: PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN
You must provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the bidding person/entity, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, engaging in the investment activities in Iran outlined above by completing the boxes below.

EACH BOX WILL PROMPT YOU TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS. PLEASE PROVIDE THOROUGH ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION. IF YOU NEED TO MAKE ADDITIONAL ENTRIES, CLICK THE "ADD AN ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES ENTRY" BUTTON.

Name  ____________________________  Relationship to Bidder/Offeror

_______________________________________

Description of Activities
Certification: I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the above-referenced person or entity. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein and thereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein. I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreements with the WCCC and that the WCCC at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):  

____________________________________

Signature:  

____________________________________

Title:  

____________________________________

Date:  

____________________________________
PROPOSAL COVER SHEET FOR THE RFP FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

I agree that all statements made in this proposal are factual and the proposer will comply with the specifications in this RFP.

Proposal Submitted by:

__________________________________  __________________
Name (PRINTED)     Dated

___________________________
SIGNATURE

__________________________________
Title

__________________________________
Organization

Please include this form or a like signature page in your submission to the College.
Form F

**Schedule of Fees**

Provide professional and clerical hourly rates and reimbursable expense costs