

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BID**State Avenue Corridor Transit Improvements
Package 1 - Stations
Bid #12-5001-39T**

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) is inviting qualified bidders to submit sealed bids for the **State Avenue Corridor Transit Improvements Package 1 – Stations** located in Wyandotte County, Kansas. This is a Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) project funded by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), KCATA and Unified Government of Wyandotte County, Kansas. Current Federal Wage Decision rates for the State of Kansas are applicable to this project. The work will be done under a single contract.

The project is generally described as and includes but is not limited to construction of twenty seven (27) bus stations for the CONNEX bus service in Wyandotte County, Kansas, and up to five (5) additional add alternate stations, which KCATA reserves the right to select based upon preference as indicated on the bid response form and availability of budget. Station improvements generally include new sidewalk, concrete foundations, landscape areas, installation of bus station amenities including shelters and kiosks and electrical service at some locations. Street work includes new concrete curb and 10” concrete bus pads.

Sealed bids must be received by the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority, 1350 East 17th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 64108, no later than 2:00 p.m. February 29, 2012. Bids received by the date/time specified above will be opened and publicly read aloud at approximately 2:05 p.m. Bids received after the date/time specified above shall be considered late and shall not be opened or considered for award. Bids received electronically or by facsimile (fax) will not be considered.

FTA requires that an award can only be made to responsible contractors possessing ability, willingness, and integrity to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the contract. Responsibility criteria include administrative capacity, timeliness and satisfactory current and past performance record. Contractors must not be suspended or disbarred by the federal government as indicated at www.epls.gov, Excluded Parties Listing System.

A pre-bid conference will be held on February 1, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. in KCATA’s Breen Building large conference room located at 1200 East 18th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 64108.

It is the policy of KCATA to ensure that DBE firms have an equal opportunity to participate in the performance of this contract and hereby notifies all prospective bidders to ensure that full and equal opportunity is afforded DBEs wishing to submit bids in response to this Invitation for Bid as Prime Contractors or Sub Contractors. No contractors shall be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color or national origin in consideration of an award. The successful bidder shall be required to comply with all applicable Equal Opportunity laws and regulations. The KCATA has set a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal for this project of twelve and one-half percent (12.5%) of the total contract price.

Bidders shall be aware that during the term of the contract on site interviews may be conducted by various agencies and/or firms to ensure full compliance with applicable wage rates, Buy America requirements, commercially useful functions as applicable to DBE work and all contractual requirements of the project.

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority is exempt from federal excise, federal transportation and state sales tax and such taxes shall not be included in the bid price. The KCATA will provide the successful Bidder with a Sales Tax Exemption Certificate and a copy of KCATA's letter of Exemption from Kansas Sales and Use Tax.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope on the enclosed Bid Response Form along with required submittal documents and must be clearly marked and addressed to: Etta J. Jackson, Director of Procurement, KCATA with the bid number and project title.

Bids are subject to all terms, conditions and provisions as contained in the Project Manual.

Bid Documents will be available the week of January 20, 2012 and will be distributed through KC Blueprint and may be purchased (non-refundable) from the KC Blueprint plan room by calling 1-913-788-5003. Plans may be picked up or delivered upon request. Bid Documents may also be viewed and purchased at <http://www.kcblueprint.com>. KC Blueprint offices are located at 5002 State Ave., Kansas City, Kansas 66102. Addenda, as required, shall be distributed through KC Blueprint to registered, official plan holders.

Etta Jackson
Director of Procurement