

ADDENDUM NO. 2

Date: May 29, 2025

From: City of Grand Junction Purchasing Division

To: All Proposers

RE: RFP-5684-25-KF – Notice of Funding Opportunity for Comprehensive Community Solutions for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

Proposers responding to the above-referenced solicitation are hereby advised that certain requirements have been **clarified**, **modified**, **or supplemented** as of the date of this Addendum, as outlined below.

Clarifications and Responses to Questions

(Collected during May 28, 2025, Non-Mandatory Virtual Pre-Proposal Meeting):

- 1. **Q:** Sections 1.16 and 1.27.4. Regarding multiple proposals, in one case, it talks about submitting alternate proposals and labeling one as an alternate, and then the section states that if you submit multiple proposals, the proposer might be penalized.
 - **A:** Proposers may submit **alternate proposals** as described in Section 1.16, if each version is clearly labeled and presents a different solution/project. However, according to Section 1.27.4, the submission of multiple proposals for the same Scope of Services by the same entity, under different names or in coordination with others, may be considered a conflict or evidence of collusion and may result in disqualification. To avoid this, all alternate proposals must be submitted transparently under a single entity and clearly different from each other.
- 2. **Q:** Regarding the solicitation opening ceremony, will proposals be treated as sealed proposals until the deadline of June 26, 2025, or will the City start evaluating them as soon as you receive the proposal on BidNet?
 - **A:** Proposals are treated as sealed and cannot be viewed by the City Purchasing Agent until after the submission deadline. BidNet Direct® restricts access until the official opening time. Proposals must be fully uploaded before 1:00 p.m. MDT on June 26, 2025; late submissions cannot be uploaded and will not be accepted.
- 3. **Q:** Does the evaluation process consider whether a proposer is based in Mesa County or Grand Junction, or already providing services locally?

A: No, geographic location or proximity is not part of the formal scoring criteria. The City does not assign preference points based on location. Please refer to Section 6.4.1 – *Evaluation Criteria and Weighted Values*.

However, proposals may highlight relevant local experience, current service delivery, or existing partnerships, which can be reflected under evaluation factors such as Qualifications, Experience, and Capacity, and the Strategy and Implementation Plan.

One of the primary goals of this funding opportunity is to expand capacity in response to a significant increase in the local unhoused population. While continuation of services may be part of a proposal, the City is particularly interested in projects that build upon existing work to increase service availability, infrastructure, and impact.

- 4. **Q:** Is there an estimated number of individuals the City expects proposers to serve under this funding opportunity? Do you have any numbers that the City has normally seen?
 - **A:** No. The City has not set a specific target number of individuals to be served. Proposers are expected to define the proposed service population and justify it based on their program model, operational capacity, and use of funds. The City's latest estimates indicate an unhoused population of approximately 2,300 individuals, with the current system capacity serving around 500, not including limited shelter space. Proposals should clearly articulate the scale and scope of services and how they align with identified community needs and available resources.
- 5. **Q:** If I attend meetings where City staff—especially from the Housing Division—are present, how should I conduct myself to avoid violating the prohibition on direct contact regarding the RFP?
 - **A:** All questions or discussions related to RFP-5684-25-KF must be submitted in writing to the City's Purchasing Agent, as outlined in Section 1.3 of the solicitation. Proposers should refrain from discussing the RFP or their proposal with any City staff outside of the formal inquiry process to maintain fairness and transparency for all interested parties. General discussions unrelated to this RFP may continue, but if the topic overlaps with the solicitation or proposed services, the conversation should be redirected as outlined in the RFP.
- 6. **Q:** Are there specific services that are underrepresented or in high demand within the community?

A: Proposers are encouraged to review the Grand Junction <u>Unhoused Needs Assessment</u>, which identifies key service gaps and areas of greatest need. This document provides valuable insight into current system capacity and highlights underrepresented services that could benefit from expanded initiatives. Proposals aligned with these identified needs are strongly encouraged, particularly those that focus on service expansion and targeted support for underrepresented areas.

7. **Q:** Was the pre-proposal meeting recorded? And if so, could you share the link?

A: Yes, the Virtual Pre-Proposal Meeting for RFP-5684-25-KF was recorded. You may access the recording at the following link:

Recap: Virtual Pre-Proposal Meeting – RFP-5684-25-KF

Held: Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Please note: The recording will be available for 59 days from the meeting date.

Reminders:

- This Addendum modifies the original solicitation. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.
- Acknowledgment of this Addendum is required on the **Solicitation Response** Form (Section 7.0).

Thank you for your interest and attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Kathleen Franklin Senior Buyer/Purchasing Agent

City of Grand Junction