

Quotation Request //

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Quotations are Due By:

(Eastern Time)10:00 AM on 02/26/2020

**Submit Quotes Online, unless otherwise instructed, via: <https://contractorconnection.gpo.gov/openjobs.aspx>
Contractor must provide mandatory W-9 form before GPO makes payment.**

TITLE: Early Stages Tote Bags

QUANTITY: 1800 Tote Bags.

SUBCONTRACTING: The contractor may make contracts for the furnishing of all or any part of the supplies or work specified. Accordingly, Contract Clause 6, "Subcontracts," of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 01-18), does not apply to this procurement.

BUY AMERICAN ACT - NOTE: In compliance with Contract Terms, Contractor must state within quote submitted the Country of origin where the end product [Tote Bags] is being manufactured. ([Indicate the Country of origin in the comments field when submitting Quotes using Contractor Connect.]

Prior to award, bidders must send a specification sheet, photo, or web link that clearly shows how the product offered complies with the features below (includes, size, material type ...etc.). Government to approve/disapprove within 2 workdays from receipt.

SUBMISSION OF QUOTES: Vendor to submit quotes via Quick Quote (<https://contractorconnection.gpo.gov/openjobs>). Fax, email, and phone quotes are not acceptable. Late quotes will not be accepted. All problems submitting quotes via Quick Quote must be reported prior to bid opening time to DC APS, 202-512-0307.

TRIM SIZE: approx. 12-1/2 x 12" with self-material handles measure 24". 5"deep collapsible gusset.

PAGES: Face only.

SCHEDULE:

Furnished Material will be available for pickup by 03/03/2020

Deliver complete (to arrive at destination) by 03/31/2020

F.O.B. destination

QUALITY LEVEL: 3 Quality Assurance Through Attributes (GPO PUB 310.1, effective May 1979 (Rev. 9-19)) applies.

DESCRIPTION:

Silk Screen Printing Required.

PRODUCT: Tote Bags

MATERIAL: 4-oz cotton sheeting.

MATERIAL COLOR: Royal Blue.

PRINTING: Print face only with approx. 9 x 4-7/8" logo (type/solid matter plus some type reversed out) in

4-color process. Contractor MUST print opaque white background prior to printing the logo. Contractor to convert Grey type from 4-color process to equivalent grey Pantone color.

WARRANTY: Contract Clause 15, "Warranty", of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 01-18)) is amended for the solicitation to the effect that the warranty period is **EXTENDED** from 120 days to one calendar year from the date the check is tendered as final payment. All other provisions remain the same.

MATERIAL FURNISHED: Contractor to receive. Via email after award.
Purchase order.
One (1) jpg format file.

GPO Form 892c (R. 12/17) Proofs.
GPO Form 917 (Certificate of Selection).
GPO Form 2678 (departmental random copies-blue label).

Contractor to download the "Labeling and Marking Specifications" form (GPO Form 905, R. 7-15) from gpo.gov, fill in appropriate blanks, and attach to shipping containers.

Prior to image processing, the contractor shall perform a basic check (preflight) of the furnished media and publishing files to assure correct output of the required reproduction image. Any errors, media damage, or data corruption that might interfere with proper file image processing must be reported to the contract administrator.

The contractor shall create or change any necessary trapping, set proper screen angles and screen frequency, and define file output selection for the imaging device being utilized. Furnished files must be imaged as necessary to meet the assigned quality level.

COLOR OF INK:

4-color process plus Grey Pantone color (to be determined by contractor).

PRINT PAGE: Head to Head

MARGINS: Adequate Gripper.

Note: Agency to approve margins on electronic proof or ask for changes.

PROOFS:

E-MAIL PROOFS (indicate margins): **CONTRACTOR MUST NOT PRINT PRIOR TO RECEIVING AN "OK TO PRINT"**. One set of E-Mailed Electronic Page Proofs. Contractor to submit one "Press Quality" PDF "soft" proof (for content only) using the same Raster Image Processor (RIP) that will be used to produce the final printed product. PDF proof will be evaluated for text flow, image position, and color breaks. Proof will not be used for color match. **NOTE:** Proof must illustrate how is the logo and type line appear on the bag.

E-Mailed proofs (marked with Jacket/Req. Number plus return name and E-Mail address) directly to the Agency at meghan.brown@k12.dc.gov; and maria.peeples@k12.dc.gov. Contractor must call GPO Contract Compliance Section at (202) 512-0520 immediately upon E-Mailing proofs and immediately upon receiving the returned proofs (or OK E-Mail) back from the Department. Proofs will be withheld not more than (2) workdays from receipt at the Department to receipt in the contractor's plant. Note: Proof must show

the position of the design on the bag.

PLUS (after electronic proof approval).

PRIOR TO PRODUCTION SAMPLES

Prior to the commencement of production of the contract production quantity, the contractor shall submit Two (2) sample to: Early Stages, ATTN: Meghan Brown (202-270-2597), 1125 New Jersey Ave., 3rd floor, NW, Washington, DC 20001. Samples will be tested for conformance of materials and for construction. Each sample must be constructed as specified using the form, materials, equipment, and methods of production, which will be used in producing the final product. All samples shall be manufactured at the facilities in which the contract production quantities are to be manufactured.

Samples will be inspected and tested and must comply with the specifications in all respects. The container and accompanying documentation shall be marked PREPRODUCTION SAMPLES and shall include the GPO jacket, and purchase order. The samples must be submitted in sufficient time to allow Government testing of the samples and production and shipment in accordance with the shipping schedule.

The Government will approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the samples within (2) workdays of the receipt thereof. Approval or conditional approval shall not relieve the contractor from complying with the specifications and all other terms and conditions of the contract. A conditional approval shall state any further action required by the contractor. A notice of disapproval shall state the reasons therefor.

If the samples are disapproved by the Government, the Government, at its option, may require the contractor to submit additional samples for inspection and test, in the time and under the terms and conditions specified in the notice of rejection. Such additional samples shall be furnished, and necessary changes made, at no additional cost to the Government and with no extension in the shipping schedule. The Government will require the time specified above to inspect and test any additional samples required.

In the event the additional samples are disapproved by the Government, the contractor shall be deemed to have failed to make delivery within the meaning of the default clause in which event this contract shall be subject to termination for default, provided however, that the failure of the Government to terminate the contract for default in such event shall not relieve the contractor of the responsibility to deliver the contract quantities in accordance with the shipping schedule.

In the event the Government fails to approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the samples within the time specified, the Contracting Officer shall automatically extend the shipping schedule in accordance with Contract Clause 12, "Notice of Compliance With Schedules," of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 01-18)).

Manufacture of the final product prior to approval of the sample submitted is at the contractor's risk. Samples will not be returned to the contractor. All costs, including the costs of all samples shall be included in the contract price for the production quantity.

All samples shall be manufactured at the facilities in which the contract production quantities are to be manufactured.

Note: Agency must approve electronic proof and prior to production samples before going to full production.

PACKING:

Pack suitably per shipping container.

DISTRIBUTION:

Contractor must notify the ordering agency on the same day that the product ships/delivers via e-mail sent to meghan.brown@k12.dc.gov; and maria.peeples@k12.dc.gov. The subject line of this message shall be "Distribution Notice for Jacket 409-899, Requisition 0-00010. The notice must provide all applicable tracking numbers, shipping method, and Title. Contractor must be able to provide copies of all delivery, mailing, and shipping receipts upon agency request.

Deliver 1,800 total tote bags (includes 50 Departmental Random "Blue Label" Copies) via traceable means to: Early Stages, ATTN: Meghan Brown (202-270-2597), 1125 New Jersey Ave., 3rd floor, NW, Washington, DC 20001.

Note: For the "Blue Label" Copies -- A copy of the Government furnished certificate (GPO Form 917) must accompany the voucher sent to GPO, Financial Management Service, for payment. Failure to furnish the certificate may result in delay in processing the voucher. NOTE: Form is also available at <https://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/sfas/Form917.pdf>

All expenses incidental to returning materials, submitting/returning proofs, and furnishing samples must be borne by the contractor.

QUALITY ASSURANCE LEVELS AND STANDARDS: The following levels and standards shall apply to these specifications:

Inspection Levels (from ANSI/ASQC Z1.4):

(a) Non-destructive Tests -- General Inspection Level I.

(b) Destructive Tests -- Special Inspection Level S-2.

Specified Standards-- The specified standards for the attributes requiring them shall be:

ATTRIBUTE	SPECIFIED STANDARD
P-7. Type Quality and Uniformity	Ok'd prior/Furnished electronic media
P-10. Process Color Match	Ok'd prior/Furnished electronic media

PREAWARD SURVEY: In order to determine the responsibility of the prime contractor or any subcontractor, the Government reserves the right to conduct an on-site preaward survey at the contractor's/subcontractor's facility or to require other evidence of technical, production, managerial, financial, and similar abilities to perform, prior to the award of a contract. As part of the financial determination, the low contractor may be required to provide one or more of the following financial documents:

- 1) Most recent profit and loss statement
- 2) Most recent Balance Sheet
- 3) Statement of cash flows
- 4) Current official bank statement

- 5) Current lines of credit (with amounts available)
- 6) Letter of commitment from paper supplier(s)
- 7) Letter of commitment from any subcontractor

The documents will be reviewed to validate that adequate financial resources are available to perform the contract requirements. Documents submitted will be kept confidential, and used only for the determination of responsibility by the Government. Failure to provide the requested information in a timely manner may result in the Contracting Officer not having adequate information to reach an affirmative determination of responsibility.

PAYMENT: Submitting invoices for payment via the GPO fax gateway (if no samples are required) utilizing the GPO barcode coversheet program application is the most efficient method of invoicing.

Instruction for using this method can be found at the following web address:
<http://winapps.access.gpo.gov/fms/vouchers/barcode/instructions.html>.

Invoices may also be mailed to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, Office of Financial Management, Attn: Comptroller, Stop: FMCE, Washington, DC 20401.

For more information about the billing process refer to the General Information of the Office of Finance web page located at <https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/how-to-get-paid>.

Attachment(s): NONE