

SERCO of Texas, Inc. Request for Proposals (RFP) IT Support Services

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Response Due Date: Friday November 21, 2025, AT 3:00 PM (CST)

Questions Due Date: November 10, 2025, AT 3:00 PM (CST).

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I. Introduction

SERCO of Texas, Inc. (SERCO) is issuing this Request for Proposals (RFP) to identify a suitable IT service provider to provide comprehensive IT support services for its regional offices and remote staff across Texas. We are looking for a provider to provide IT services to ensure the secure, efficient, and effective operation of all IT systems in support of workforce development programs. Travel to various office locations may be required depending on the nature of the support needed.

II. Background

SERCO of Texas, Inc. is a workforce development organization that operates across multiple Workforce Development Board areas, such as: South Texas (Laredo, TX), Brazos Valley (Bryan, TX), Alamo (San Antonio, TX), Heart of Texas (Waco, TX), Concho Valley (San Angelo, TX), and the Gulf Coast (Houston and Galveston, TX). SERCO delivers a wide array of services, including job seeker support, employer engagement, youth workforce programs, and childcare assistance. These services are funded under federal to state programs such as: Workforce Investment Opportunities Act W(IOA), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF/Choices), and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Employment and Training (SNAP E&T).

SERCO supports over 200 to 300 employees in both in-office and remote settings, and maintains strong partnerships with regional stakeholders, employers, and state agencies to provide high-quality workforce solutions in the State of Texas. All employees have access to a computer (desk-top or laptop). Each computer has the following Microsoft software programs installed Windows 11. The computers also have anti-viruses' software Sentinel One to protect and improve our network security and reliability. The cybersecurity measures include firewalls, encryption, and access controls, ensuring that the system adheres to security standards and regulatory compliance. Workforce Centers operated by SERCO include Resource Rooms with kiosk-style computers available for public use, supporting customer self-service needs such as job search and resume preparation.

III. Scope of Work

SERCO is undertaking this procurement action to implement a more responsive approach to improving the computer systems. SERCO's aim is to achieve greater efficiency. Upon request, the selected vendor will provide IT support that aims at improving our IT infrastructure, enhance security, and increase operational efficiency. Our primary goal is to enhance our ability to serve our customer and compete in current and future markets.

Services and tasks may include but are not limited to:

- Helpdesk and technical support (remote and onsite)
- Workstation and server management
- Network monitoring and maintenance
- Email and productivity suite support (e.g., Microsoft 365)
- Backup and disaster recovery solutions
- Cybersecurity and endpoint protection (NIST, SOC Systems & EDR)

- Capability to adhere to government asset-tracking standards and reporting requirements. User onboarding/offboarding support
- Compliance with applicable data privacy regulations (e.g., FERPA, HIPAA)
- The selected vendor will also support the maintenance, connectivity, and functionality of computers located in Workforce Center Resource Rooms, which are available for public use through a kiosk system.
- Extensive knowledge of Document Management systems.

Note: Travel may be required for on-site support at locations across Texas. Vendors must be able to provide timely assistance, including in-person visits when necessary. Responsiveness to our needs is crucial to our business, therefore timeliness to requests for assistance will require immediate action. All travel and lodging, if needed, will require prior approval from SERCO and will be reimbursed at rates per SERCO's policies.

Important: Any equipment or software purchased on behalf of SERCO must be procured in compliance with the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) procurement guidelines. The vendor must maintain records and submit supporting documentation, as required.

IV. Qualifications

Vendors must demonstrate:

- Proven experience in IT support for organizations of comparable size and complexity
- Experience supporting remote and multi-location environments
- Knowledge of workforce or nonprofit systems is preferred
- Ability to comply with data security and privacy regulations
- Sufficient staffing and technical capacity to meet service needs
- Proof of insurance coverage and technical certifications

V. Proposal Requirements

Proposals must include:

- 1. Transmittal Letter (on companies' letterhead)
- 2. Company Overview
- 3. Service Approach and Proposer's Qualifications (Attachment A)
- 4. Proposed Fee Structure (Cost) Information (Attachment B)
- 5. References (Attachment C)
- 6. List of Key Personnel Assigned to this Contract
- 7. Certifications of Insurance
- 8. Assurances and Certifications (signed/dated)
- 9. Other documents (e.g., staff bios, etc.)

Proposal Must also include the Required Attachments:

- 1. Attachments:
- 2. Cover Sheet:
- 3. Service Approach and Proposer's Qualifications (Attachment A)
- 4. Proposed Fee Structure (Costs) Information (Attachment B)
- 5. References Form (Attachment C)
- 6. Conflict of Interest and Non-Disclosure Form
- 7. Certification of Debarment

VI. Evaluation Criteria

All proposals will be evaluated by a review committee using the following weighted criteria:

Evaluation Criteria	Max Points
Responsiveness to RFP	25
Qualifications and Experience	20
Scope and Service Approach	20
Cost Reasonableness and Value	20
References	10
Compliance with Certifications and Guidelines	5
HUB (Bonus points with valid certificate)	5
Total Possible Points	105

VII. Submission Instructions

All proposals must be submitted electronically no later than 3:00 PM (CST) on Friday, November 21, 2025 to:

Name: Katherine Taveras **Title:** Admin Coordinator

Email: ktaveras@sercohq.com

Subject Line: RFP – IT Support Services Submission

Questions:

No pre-bid or pre-proposal conference will be held for this solicitation. All questions regarding this RFP must be submitted in writing via email to ktaveras@sercohq.com by Monday, November 10, 2025, no later than 3:00 PM (CST). Responses to all questions received by the deadline will be compiled and shared with all known proposers to ensure fairness and transparency.

Responses to all questions received by the deadline will be compiled and sent to all known proposers by **Thursday, November 13, 2025** to ensure fairness and transparency.

Website Posting:

This RFP and any subsequent updates or addendums will be posted on the **SERCO of Texas, Inc. website** at https://www.sercooftexas.com/. Vendors are encouraged to check the website regularly for any notices or revisions related to this solicitation.

Note: Late proposals will not be accepted. Vendors are responsible for ensuring timely delivery of their submissions.

VIII. Contract Term and Renewal

The initial contract term will be for up to 12 months, with the option to extend the contract four (4) additional one (1) year period, not to exceed a total of five (5) years. The additional renewal period will be based on availability of funding, need of services, performance, and contract negotiations. Contract renewals will be at the sole discretion of SERCO.

SERCO reserves the right to terminate the contract at any time due to performance issues, non-compliance, or failure to meet compliance-related expectations.

IX. Administrative Requirements & Governing Provision

Governing Provision:

- All proposals submitted to SERCO of Texas in response to this RFP will become the exclusive property of SERCO of Texas.
- A proposal, if accepted, may become the basis for the contract scope of work.
- The purpose of the RFP is to ensure uniform standards and information in the solicitation of proposals for *requested goods/services*. This RFP is not to be construed as a purchase agreement or contract or as a commitment of any kind; nor does it commit SERCO of Texas to pay for any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal or any other costs incurred prior to the execution of a formal contract unless such costs are specifically authorized in writing by SERCO of Texas.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received, to cancel and/or reissue this RFP in part or its entirety.
- This is a negotiated procurement utilizing the Request for Proposal/Bid method, and as such, the selection and award of a contract does not have to be made to the proposer with the lowest priced, but rather to the proposer submitting the best value proposal that satisfies SERCO of Texas with price and other factors considered.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to extend, shorten, increase, or decrease any contract awarded as a result of this RFP.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to waive any defect in the procurement or to correct any

error(s) and/or make changes to this solicitation as it deems necessary. SERCO of Texas will provide notification. Of any changes to all known Proposers.

- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to request additional information, clarification, or explanation of any aspect of a proposal submitted in response to this RFP.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to negotiate the final terms of all contracts or agreements with selected Proposers. Any contract terms negotiated as a result of this RFP may be renegotiated and/or amended in order to meet the needs of SERCO of Texas.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to contact any individuals, agency, employer, or grantee listed in a proposal, or to contact others who may have experience or knowledge of the Proposers' relevant performance and/or qualifications; and to request additional information from all Proposers to this RFP.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to conduct reviews of records, systems, procedures, including credit and background checks, etc. of any entity selected for a contract award. This may occur prior to, or after the award or execution of a contract. Any misrepresentation of the Proposers' ability to perform as stated in the proposal may result in the disqualification of the Proposers or the cancellation of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to withdraw or reduce the amount of any award or to cancel any contract resulting from this procurement if adequate funding is not available or due to legislative changes.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to impose additional requirements and refinements to the terms and conditions, scope of work, performance measures, and funding amounts or sources during the contract term.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to negotiate with the next highest ranked offer if unable to execute an agreement with the awarded Proposers.
- Proposers shall not engage in any activity which would restrict or eliminate competition under this procurement. Violation of this provision may cause a Proposers to be disqualified. This does not preclude joint ventures, partnerships, collaborations, or subcontracts.
- Proposers shall not, under penalty of law, offer or provide any gratuities, favors, or anything of
 monetary value to any board member, officer, employee, proposal evaluator, authorized agent of
 the SERCO or elected official for the purpose of having an influencing effect on this
 procurement.
- Proposers shall not attempt in any manner to advocate for, lobby, or otherwise attempt to influence any board member, officer, employee, proposal evaluator, authorized agent of SERCO of Texas, or elected official for purposes of having an influencing effect on this procurement.
- No SERCO of Texas Staff member, officer, employee, or authorized agent of SERCO of Texas shall participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by state/federal

funds if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, is involved.

- All proposals submitted must be an original work product of the proposing entity. The copying, paraphrasing or other use of substantial portions of the work product of others and submitted hereunder as original work of the Proposers without written authorization and proper citation, is prohibited. Failure to adhere to this requirement may cause the proposal to be disqualified. All proposals and accompanying attachments will become the property of SERCO of Texas after submission and will not be returned.
- The contents of a successful proposal may become a contractual obligation and be incorporated by reference into a contract. Proposers must intend to fulfill all the representations in their proposal. Failure of a Proposers to accept this obligation may result in the cancellation of an award or contract. No pricing error or mistake shall be available to a successful Proposers as a basis for release from proposed services. Any damage incurred by SERCO of Texas because of a successful Proposers' failure to contract may be recovered by the proposing entity.
- A contract with the selected Proposers may be withheld, at the sole discretion of SERCO of Texas, if issue of contract or regulatory compliance or questioned/disallowed costs, audit or monitoring findings, or legal issues exist until such issues are resolved to the satisfaction of SERCO of Texas.
- SERCO of Texas reserves the right to deem as non-responsive or to disqualify any proposal that, in its sole discretion, does not comply with or conform to the terms, conditions, specifications, and/or requirements contained in this RFP.

Administrative Requirements

- Selected vendor must maintain compliance with all applicable TWC procurement and fiscal guidelines.
- Travel costs and procurement markups must be clearly identified in the pricing section.
- SERCO of Texas may provide any training and/or technical assistance needed by the selected contractor regarding policies, documents, procedures, etc. that are specific to the solicited services.
- Employees of the contractor are subject to the exclusive control and supervision of the contractor. The Contractor is solely responsible for personnel matters including hiring, discipline, termination, supervision, criminal background checks, training, evaluation, etc. for its employees.
- Proof of insurance is not a requirement for the submission of a proposal, but the selected Proposers will be required to obtain and provide proof for all insurances specified in this RFP and provide SERCO of Texas with proper certificates or policies prior to commencing work under a contract resulting from this RFP. SERCO of Texas must be listed as an additional insured on the Certificate of Insurance. Policies must remain in full force for the duration of a contract. Any changes in insurers, coverage, deductibles, modifications, alterations, or cancellations of coverage during the term of the contract must be immediately communicated to SERCO of Texas. The following insurances/bonding are required:
 - General Liability Contractor must carry general liability insurance coverage sufficient to cover any liability that may arise from the performance of a contract resulting from this RFP. General liability must cover bodily injury and property damage to a third party and

- personal injury; \$500,000 each occurrence or \$1,000,000 aggregate is required. A reasonable deductible is allowed, but not to exceed \$5,000 per occurrence.
- Errors and Omissions Contractor must carry 'errors and omissions' insurance or the equivalent. Contract funds, including federal funds, may be used to pay for Errors and Omissions insurance and any required deductibles.
- Motor Vehicle if the Contractor or its employees use motor vehicles in the conduct of business under a contract resulting from this RFP, liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage must be provided through a commercial insurance policy. Such insurance shall provide for a minimum coverage of \$100,000 liability per occurrence; \$300,000 aggregate liability; \$100,000 property damage; personal injury protection; uninsured motorist protection, and a maximum deductible of \$1000.
- Workers' Compensation Contractor must ensure that all employees are covered by worker's compensation insurance. If self-insured, the contractor must warrant that it will maintain coverage sufficient to cover any liability that may arise from performance under a contract resulting from this RFP.
- If applicable, the contractor, including all its employees, must comply with all Information Technology access and user policies and requirements of SERCO of Texas. Additionally, all participant data must be protected, and the release of information must follow the rules and regulations on disclosure and privacy of information.
- The contractor must ensure the security and confidentiality of participant data, adhering to all relevant laws and regulations regarding the protection and privacy of information. Any breaches of data security must be reported immediately to SERCO of Texas.
- The contract may be monitored by local, state, and federal agencies to ensure compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. The contractor must cooperate fully with any monitoring or oversight activities conducted by these agencies.
- The contractor must maintain all records and files related to the operation of the entity's activities as it pertains to this contract. These records must be kept in a manner that is accessible and available for review by authorized entities to ensure compliance with the terms of the contract.

X. Appeals

Any vendor wishing to appeal the results of the procurement may submit a written appeal to SERCO within five (5) business days of award notification. to: A proposer who wishes to protest the decision will be required to notify SERCO's VP & COO, in writing, within ten (10) calendar days from the date of the notification letter. The email must be addressed as follows in the email subject line:

RFP IT SERVICE Notice Manuela Zarate, VP & COO Email: mzarate@sermetro.org

The complainant emailed letter must specify the nature of the protest and any desired remedies of action. SERCO reserves the right to determine whether the protest is valid and merits further consideration.

ATTACHMENT A

Service Approach and Proposer's Qualifications

The proposer will complete the following questions in response to the service approach to be used in meeting the RFP's scope of work. Please provide details of "How" you will meet the project specifications and deliver services. Additionally, include information as to the qualifications of individuals assigned to this contract. Please respond to the questions listed below. Your answers should be brief, clear, and correspond to each numbered item. Limit your response to a total of 300 words.

- 1. Provide information about your organization's ability and expertise in managing similar projects within the last five (5) years.
- **2.** Explain the measures or steps your company will take to set up your operations to meet the project's immediate needs.
- **3.** Provide information on your staff's project management capabilities, including the ability to plan, execute, and oversee the project from inception to completion. And how many staff does your company currently employ and how many do you plan to assign to this project?
- **4.** What relevant technical skills and knowledge do your assigned staff possess that may be relevant to this project? Include staff bios under Section V. Proposal Requirements, #10.
- 5. Describe your company's knowledge and demonstrated ability to work with state and federal regulations, including compliance with data protection laws and industry standards.
- 6. Describe your ability to incorporate innovative solutions and integrate the latest technologies into the IT project.
- 7. Provide other information that may highlight your company's strengths and achievements in this industry. Provide specific examples that demonstrate your recent accomplishments.

ATTACHMENT B

Proposed Fee Structure Information

Provide a detailed, itemized cost breakdown of all proposed fees and costs for this project for a period of twelve (12) months. If your pricing includes different structures such as an hourly rate for troubleshooting and a flat monthly fee for ongoing maintenance and support services—please clearly specify this below. Additionally, if any portion of your pricing is calculated per user, please indicate the per-user rate and the total number of users used in your pricing model. You may also consider the cost, for example, for disaster recovery and backup solutions. Please clearly specify all assumptions, if any, made when producing these prices. Any additional costs or optional services should also be itemized and explained. If you need additional space for responding to any of these items listed below, you can submit an additional page provided that you reference your comments to the topic listed below.

NOTE: Vendors should separately identify any proposed costs for assigning onsite staff or dedicated support for Resource Room/public use services, if applicable.

Monthly Fee: \$	
Explain the above charges:	
Hourly Charges &	
Hourly Charge: \$	
Explain the above charges:	
Per User/Per Desktop: \$	
Explain the above charges:	
Other Costs: (explain)	

Discount Pricing, if any:		
Explain:		
Fuel Trip Charge (if any):	_	
Explain:		

Note: Do not include travel expenses on this form. Travel expenses must comply and are reimbursed according to SERCO policies.

ATTACHMENT C

Reference

Please provide at least three (3) references for clients for whom you have provided similar services within the past five (5) years. Each reference should be able to speak to your performance, quality of service, and outcomes.

Reference #1

- Client Organization Name:
- Contact Person & Title:
- Phone Number:
- Email Address:
- Brief Description of Services Provided:
- Dates of Service:

Reference #2

- Client Organization Name:
- Contact Person & Title:
- Phone Number:
- Email Address:
- Brief Description of Services Provided:
- Dates of Service:

Reference #3

- Client Organization Name:
- Contact Person & Title:
- Phone Number:
- Email Address:
- Brief Description of Services Provided:
- Dates of Service:

ATTACHMENT D PROPOSAL COVERSHEET

Legal Name of Proposing Entity	
Mailing Address	
Authorized Contact/Signatory Authority	
Phone Number	
Fax Number	
E-Mail	
Type of Organization	□Private for-profit □Private non-profit □Government Agency □Partnership □Sole Proprietor □Other (specify)
Date Established	
Federal EIN	
Texas State Comptroller ID Number	
Historically Underutilized Business?	□Yes (if yes, attach current certificate) □No
Name Title of Authorized Representative	
Title of Authorized Representative	
Signature of Authorized Representative	
Date	

ATTACHMENT E

CERTIFICATION REGARDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST

By signature of this proposal, Proposer covenants and affirms that:

- 1. No manager, employee or paid consultant of the Proposer is a member of the SERCO of Texas, Inc., the Executive Director, or an employee of the SERCO of Texas, Inc.
- 2. No manager or paid consultant of the Proposer is married to a member of the SERCO of Texas, Inc., the Executive Director, or an employee of the SERCO of Texas, Inc.
- 3. No member of THE SERCO OF TEXAS, INC, the Executive Director or employee of the SERCO of Texas, Inc. owns or controls more than a 10 percent interest in the Proposer.
- 4. no spouse or member of the SERCO of Texas, Inc., Executive Director or employee of the SERCO of Texas, Inc. is a manager or. paid consultant of the Proposer.
- 5. No member of the SERCO of Texas, Inc., the Executive Director or employee of the SERCO of Texas, Inc. receives compensation from Proposer for lobbying activities as defined in Chapter 305 of the Texas Government Code.
- 6. Proposer has disclosed within the Proposal any interest, fact or circumstance which does or may present a potential conflict of interest.
- 7. Should Proposer fail to abide by the foregoing covenants and affirmations regarding conflict of interest, Proposer shall not be entitled to the recovery of any costs or expenses incurred in relation to any contract with the SERCO of Texas, Inc. and shall immediately refund to the SERCO of Texas, Inc. any fees or expenses that. May have been paid under the contract and shall further be liable for any other costs incurred or damages sustained by the SERCO of Texas, Inc. relating to that contract.

Disclosure of Potential Conflict of Interest {Please describe}:

Name of Organization	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Typed/Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative	Date

ATTACHMENT F

CERTIFICATON REGARDING LOBBYING, DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS, AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

Lobbying: This certification is required by the Federal Regulations, implementing Section 1352 of the Program Fraud and Civil Remedies Acts, Title 31 U.S. Code, for the Department of Agriculture (7 CFR part 3018), Department of Labor (20 CFR Part 93), Department of Education (34 CFR Part 82), Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 93).

The undersigned contractor states that:

No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of Congress, or any employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement.

If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form--- LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions.

The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub--awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub---grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub---recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters: This certification is required by the Federal Regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Government---wide Debarment and Suspension, for the Department of Agriculture (7 CFR Part 3017), Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 98), Department of Education (34 CFR Parts 85, 668 and 682), and Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 76).

The undersigned contractor certifies that it or its principals:

Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Have not within a three-•-year period preceding this proposal been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph 2 of this certification; and

Have not within a three-year period preceding this contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

Where the prospective recipient of Federal assistance funds is unable to certify any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Drug---Free Workplace: This certification is required by the Federal Regulations, implementing Sections 5151-- 5160 of the Drug---Free Workplace Act, 41 U.S.C. 701; for the Department of Agriculture (7 CFR Part 3017),

Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 98), Department of Education (34 CFR parts 85, 668 and 682) and Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 76).

The undersigned contractor certifies that it shall provide a drug-free workplace by:

Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition.

Establishing an on---going drug---free awareness program to inform employees of the dangers of drugs in the workplace, the Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug---free workplace, the availability of drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and the penalties that may be imposed on employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.

Providing each employee with a copy of the Contractor's policy statement.

Notifying the employees in the Contractor's policy statement that, as a condition of employment under the grant, employees will abide by the terms of the policy statement and notifying the Contractor in writing within five (5) days after any conviction for a violation by the employee of a criminal drug statute in the workplace.

Notifying the grantor agency, SERCO of Texas in writing, within ten (10) calendar days of the Contractor's receipt of a notice of conviction of an employee.

Taking appropriate personnel action against an employee convicted of violating a criminal drug statute or requires such employee to participate in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program.

These certifications are a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction.

Name of Organization	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Typed/Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative	Date

ATTACHMENT G

Certification Regarding Implementation of the Non---Discrimination & Equal Opportunity Provisions and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

As a condition to the award of financial assistance from the Department of Labor (DOL) under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the Proposers assures that it will comply fully with the nondiscrimination and equal opportunity provisions of the following laws:

Section 188 prohibits discrimination against all individuals in the United States on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation or belief, and against beneficiaries on the basis of either citizenship/status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States or participation in any WIOA Title I—financially assisted program or activity;

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the bases of race, color and national origin.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities.

The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; and

Title IX of the Education A m e n d m e n t s of 1972, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs.

The Proposers also assures that it will comply with 29 CFR part 38 and all other regulations implementing the laws listed above. This assurance applies to the Proposers' operation of the WIOA Title I-•-financially assisted program or activity, and to all agreements the grant applicant makes to carry out the WIOA Title I-•-financially assisted program or activity. The Proposers understands that the United States has the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance.

Applicant's Signature below indicates organization is agreeing to comply fully with the assurance and certifications as part of its responsibilities as a successful contractor.

Name of Organization	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Typed/Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative	Date

ATTACHMENT H

TEXAS CORPORATE FRANCHISE TAX CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Article 2.45, Texas Business Corporation Act, state agencies may not contract with for-profit corporations that are delinquent in making state franchise tax payments. The following certification that the corporation making this contract is current in its franchise taxes must be signed by the individual authorized on Form 2031, Corporate Board of Directors Resolution, to sign the contract for the corporation.

The undersigned certifies that the following statement is true and correct and that the undersigned understands making a false statement will prevent SERCO of Texas from contracting with the proposing organization.

Indicate the certification that applies to your corporation by checking the application applies to your corporation by checking the applies applies applies applies to your corporation by checking the applies applie	propriate box:
☐ The corporation is for a profit corporation and certifies that it is not delin payments to the State of Texas.	quent in its franchise tax
☐ The corporation is a not-for-profit corporation or is otherwise not subject taxes to the State of Texas for the following reason(s):	to payment of franchise
□Not applicable. The applicant is not a corporation.	
Name of Organization	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Typed/Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative	Date:

ATTACHMENT I

STATE ASSESSMENT CERTIFICATION

Applicants must certify that they are current in all Unemployment Insurance taxes, Payday and Child Labor Law monetary obligations, and Proprietary School fees and assessments payable to the State of Texas. Applicants must also certify that they have not outstanding Unemployment Insurance overpayment balances due to the State of Texas.

The undersigned authorized representative of the Applicant certifies that the following statements are true and correct and that the undersigned understands that making a false statement will prevent SERCO of Texas from contracting with the organization.

The corporation certifies, by checking the boxes below, that:	
☐ It is current in Unemployment Insurance taxes, Payday and Child Labor Proprietary School fees and assessments payable to the State of Texas.	Law monetary obligations, and
☐ It has no outstanding Unemployment Insurance overpayment balance pa	ayable to the State of Texas.
Name of Organization	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Typed/Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative	Date.

ATTACHMENT J

UNDOCUMENTED WORKER CERTIFICATION

Effective September 1, 2007, HB 1196 amended Subtitle F, Title 10, of the Texas Government Code to add. Subsection 2264. Chapter 2264 directs public agencies, state or local taxing jurisdictions, and economic development corporations (public entities) to require that any business submitting an application to receive public subsidies include in the application a statement certifying that the business, or branch, division or department of the business does not and will not knowingly employ an undocumented worker.

In the event that a business grantee is found in violation of 8U.S.C. subsection 1324a(f), consistent with the requirements of Texas Government Code subsection 2264, Boards are permitted to bring a civil action to recover any amounts owed, as well as court costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

Penalties incurred by business grantees shall be assessed damages at a rate of 20% of contract award. Said damages shall be made payable to SERCO of Texas within 120 days of receiving the notice of violation.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Public Subsidy – is broadly defined Texas Government Code §2264.001 (3) as a public program or public benefit or assistance of any type that is designed to stimulate the economic development of a corporation, industry, or sector of the state's economy or to create or retain jobs in Texas. The term includes, among other things, bonds, grants, loans, loan guarantees, benefits relating to an enterprise or empowerment zone, infrastructure development and improvements designed to principally benefit a single business or defined group of businesses, and matching funds. The Commission's Office of General Counsel has found that HB 1196 does not apply to the acquisition of goods and services.

Undocumented Worker – is defined as an individual who, at the time of employment, is not lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States or is not authorized under law to be employed in that manner in the United States. CERTIFICATION Contractor certifies that no undocumented workers will be employed during the execution of this contract. By the signature indicated below, the contractor verifies their understanding of the terms and conditions of this requirement.

CERTIFICATION

Name of Individual or Organization submitting application:		
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date	
Typed/Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative	Date	

ATTACHMENT K

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

I hereby certify that the information contained in this application and any attachments is true and correct and may be viewed as an accurate representation of proposed services to be provided by this organization. I certify that no employee of SERCO of Texas (SERCO), director or agent has assisted in the preparation of this application. I acknowledge t h a t I have read and understand the requirements and provisions of the R F P / R F Q / RFA, and that this organization will comply with SERCO policies and other applicable local, state, and federal regulations and directives governing this procurement process.

I,	, certify that I am the		
(Typed Name)		(Title)	
that I author	am authorized to sign this proposal and sub	tion, or public agency named as Applicant herein and mit it to SERCO on behalf of said organization by e SERCO to verify references and stated performance leems necessary.	
	ATT	TEST:	
	(Applicant's Signature)	(Collateral Signature)	
	(Typed Name)	(Typed Name)	
	(Typed Title)	(Typed Title)	
	(Date)	(Date)	