

**INVITATION TO BID
BID NO. 2013-G
LEASE OF FACILITIES TO HOUSE AMBULANCES**

Please be advised that Columbia County, as Lessor, desires to accept sealed bids for the lease of up to three (3) facilities: one located at 508 SW State Road 247, Lake City, Florida (Fairgrounds); one located at 332 SW Wingate Street, Lake City, Florida (Columbia City); and one located at 495 SW Dortch Street, Ft. White, Florida (Ft White). Bids will be accepted through 11:00 A.M. on September 4, 2013. All bids submitted shall be on the form provided.

Instructions and Specifications may be obtained from the County's web site at <http://www.columbiacountyfla.com/PurchasingBids.asp>.

Columbia County reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to accept the bid that is in the County's best interest.

Dated this 23rd day of August, 2013.
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
By /s/ Stephen E. Bailey

STEPHEN E. BAILEY, CHAIRMAN

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA
BID NO 2013-G
INFORMATION TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners will received sealed bids in the Columbia County Managers office located at 135 SE Hernando Avenue, Suite 203, Lake City, Florida 32055, until 11:00 A. M. August 30, 2013 for lease of the following properties to house ambulance services:

508 SW State Road 247, Lake City, Florida (Fairgrounds)
332 SW Wingate Street, Lake City, Florida (Columbia City)
495 SW Dortch Street, Ft. White, Florida (Ft White)

All three locations are attached to, or a part of, an active Fire Station, so any use of the facilities to house ambulances must be compatible with the operations of the Columbia County Fire and Rescue Department.

Bids will be publicly opened and read in the Board offices at 11:00 A. M. on September 4, 2013 or as soon thereafter as practical. Bidders are fully responsible for the delivery of the bids. Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the bid opening. Late bids will not be accepted and will be returned to the bidder unopened. Telegraph and telephone bids will not be accepted under any circumstances.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, and to award the bid in the County's best interest.

The Bidder is required to use the "Bid Form" attached hereto, which attached to the "Information to Bidders" and "Specifications" shall remain intact. Any variation from these minimum specifications must be clearly stated on a separate sheet and attached to the "Bid Form". Only one bid will be furnished to each company or corporation interested in bidding. The one complete bid form set is to be submitted in a sealed envelope, on the outside of which shall be clearly marked, **"SEALED BID AMBULANCE FACILITIES"** and the name and address of the firm submitting the bud.

All bids are firm, valid and subject to acceptance for a period of 30 days after the bid opening date.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA
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SPECIFICATIONS

SCOPE OF FACILITIES TO HOUSE AMBULANCES

The Columbia County Board of County Commissioners is offering for lease the following facilities to house ambulances:

- Building A: 508 SW State Road 247, Lake City, Florida (Fairgrounds)
Approximate Square footage: (a) 1,886 square feet living space
(b) 1,440 square feet ambulance bay space
- Building B: 332 SW Wingate Street, Lake City, Florida (Columbia City)
Approximate Square footage: (a) 1,292 square feet living space
(b) 672 square feet ambulance bay space
- Building C: 495 SW Dortch Street, Ft. White, Florida (Ft. White Fire Station 46)
This space is shared with the Fire and Rescue Department with common areas
Approximate Square footage: (a) 144 square feet living space plus common areas
(b) 672 square feet ambulance bay space

CONDITION OF LEASE OF FACILITIES TO HOUSE AMBULANCES

Facilities to house ambulances will be leased in their “as is” condition. The successful bidder will have non-exclusive use of the housing facilities together with Columbia County, for the sole purpose of housing ambulances and crew members. Columbia County will maintain and repair the roof, external walls, HVAC, plumbing and electrical. All other repairs and maintenance shall be the responsibility of the Lessee. The successful bidder shall also be responsible for its own janitorial, garbage and operational expenses of Buildings A and B. Lessee will be responsible for repairing any damages or losses to the facility as a result of Lessee’s or employees, agents, or representatives intentional or negligent damages to the leased facility. Lessee shall be responsible for maintaining its own liability insurance coverage as to its personal property and equipment as well as tenant’s general liability insurance naming Columbia County as additional insured. The housing facility will only be leased for the purpose of housing ambulances and their crews. The lease will be for an initial term of 3 years with renewal by mutual agreement of the County and the successful bidder. The lease shall not be assignable. The successful bidder and Columbia County must enter into a formal written lease agreement.

QUESTIONS OR INSPECTIONS

TITLE: _____