

# **Request for Quotes:**

**Writing Services** 

**Proposals Due: On a rolling** 

basis through June 30, 2023

Partner4Work 650 Smithfield Street, Suite 2400 Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Date Released: July 1, 2022

Partner4Work (TRWIB, Inc.) is an equal opportunity employer.

#### Who We Are

TRWIB, Inc. (dba "Partner4Work") is the workforce development organization that connects funding, expertise, and opportunities to develop a thriving workforce in Pittsburgh and Allegheny County. With a budget of more than \$25 million in public and private workforce funds, Partner4Work (hereafter "P4W") delivers a comprehensive portfolio of programs and initiatives for adults and youth to ensure that current and future needs of employers, job seekers, and underemployed workers are met.

# **Purpose of this RFQ**

Partner4Work is seeking individuals to assist in a variety of writing projects including but not limited to reports, proposals, plans, web content and other deliverables. The qualified individual should plan to research the current functions and operations of the organization.

# **Scope of Work**

The awarded individuals will work on an as-needed, interim basis on specific writing projects. These projects could include federal, state and private funding proposals, planning documents, reports, website content, one-pagers, factsheets, and other materials as requested.

## **Process and Deliverables**

The Consultant will be accountable to the Partner4Work Executive Team and will provide bi-weekly updates in writing on applicable projects and deliverables.

## **How to Apply**

Interested consultants shall submit their quotes in the format as specified below to <a href="mailto:rfp@partner4work.org">rfp@partner4work.org</a>. Quotes will be accepted on a rolling basis through June 30, 2023. Lengthy narrative is discouraged; presentations should be brief and concise and not include extraneous or unnecessarily elaborate promotional material. The proposal should be in a .pdf format (zipped if necessary) not exceeding 5 pages in length.

- **1. Summary** (2-page maximum) Name of individual(s), Primary Contact information (name, address, phone number, email address, website) history including years in business, names, and a resume(s).
- **2. Fee for Services** (any out-of-pocket expenses proposer expects to incur should be detailed) Specific per-hourly rate is required as is an expected invoicing schedule.

# 3. Two Writing Samples (does not count toward the page limit)

## **Review and Selection Process**

P4W's Executive Team will review and award proposals as needed based on business needs.

## **Review Timeline**

Release of RFQ Selection of consultant July 1, 2022 As needed through June 30, 2023

# Questions

Questions or requests for additional information must be made in writing to <a href="mailto:rfp@partner4work.org">rfp@partner4work.org</a>. Answers will be posted at <a href="www.partner4work.org">www.partner4work.org</a> to make them available to the public to ensure a fair and transparent process.

### **Disclaimers**

- Executive Order 2021-06, Worker Protection and Investment must be followed throughout this RFQ.
- This Request for Proposals (RFQ) does not commit Partner4Work to award a contract.
- Partner4Work may select a firm based on its initial proposal received, without discussion of the proposal. Accordingly, each proposal should be submitted on the most favorable terms, from a price and technical standpoint, that the bidder can submit to Partner4Work. Partner4Work may, however, have discussions with those firms it deems in its discretion to fall within a competitive range.
- Partner4Work reserves the right to request additional information from any applicant, request oral presentations from applicants, or conduct site visits from any applicant before a contract award.
- Partner4Work reserves the right to fund portions of a proposal, or to reject any and all proposals in whole or in part. Rejection of a portion of a proposal does not necessarily negate the entire proposal.
- Partner4Work may, at its discretion, adjust the level of funding provided to successful bidders under this RFQ and/or consider the funding of proposals not initially funded under this RFQ at a later date.
- No costs will be paid to cover the expense of preparing a proposal or procuring a contract for services or supplies.
- All data, material, and documentation originated and prepared by the bidder pursuant to the contract shall belong exclusively to Partner4Work and be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, Right to Know Law, or other applicable legislation.
- The contract award will not be final until Partner4Work and the successful bidder have executed a
  mutually satisfactory contractual agreement. Partner4Work reserves the right to make an award
  without further discussion of the proposal submitted. No activity may begin prior to final Partner4Work
  approval of the award and execution of a contractual agreement between the successful bidder and
  Partner4Work.
- The submission of the proposal warrants that the costs quoted for services in response to the RFQ are not in excess of those that would be charged to any other individual for the same services performed by the bidder.
- Applicants are advised that most documents in the possession of Partner4Work are considered public
  records and subject to disclosure. Partner4Work reserves the right to issue additional RFQs if and when
  it is in Partner4Work's best interest to do so and may elect to negotiate and issue multi-year contracts
  to successful bidders under this or subsequent RFQs.
- All programs and activities are designated as equal opportunity employers/programs. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Contact staff to request assistance with access to this RFQ.
- Applicants must be capable of agreeing to the requirements set forth in the Partner4Work contract templates, available at <a href="https://www.partner4work.org/document/partner4work-contract-templates/">https://www.partner4work.org/document/partner4work-contract-templates/</a>.