

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT AND GENERAL INFORMATION

# WILLIAMSON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT SOLICITATION

Food Services for Williamson County Jail

PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE:
Jun 6, 2016 2:00:00 PM CDT
PROPOSALS WILL BE PUBLICLY
OPENED:
Jun 6, 2016 2:00:00 PM CDT

Notice is hereby given that sealed Proposals for the above-mentioned goods and/or services will be accepted by the Williamson County Purchasing Department. Williamson County uses BidSync to distribute and receive proposals. Specifications for this RFP may be obtained by registering at www.bidsync.com.

# Williamson County prefers and requests electronic submittal of this proposal.

All electronic proposals must be submitted via: www.bidsync.com

All interested Respondents are invited to submit a Proposal in accordance with the Instructions and General Requirements, Proposal Format, Proposal Specifications, and Definitions, Terms and Conditions stated in this RFP.

# Respondents are strongly encouraged to carefully read this entire RFP.

**Electronic proposals are requested**, however paper proposals will currently still be received, until further notice and may be mailed or delivered to the address listed below.

Please note that a complete package must be submitted choosing one of the above two methods. Split packages submitted will be considered "unresponsive" and will not be accepted or evaluated.

✓ If mailed or delivered in person, Proposals and Proposal addenda are to be delivered in sealed envelope on
or before the submittal deadline, as noted in the 'Public Announcement and General Information' listed
above for this RFP, to:

Williamson County Purchasing Department Attn: PROPOSAL NAME AND NUMBER 901 South Austin Avenue Georgetown, Texas 78626

- ✓ Respondents should list the Proposal Number, Proposal Name, Name and Address of Respondent, and the Date of the Proposal opening on the outside of the box or envelope and note "Sealed Proposal Enclosed."
- ✓ Respondent should submit one (1) original; **AND** one (1) CD **OR** (1) USB copy of the Proposal.
- ✓ Williamson County will not accept any Proposals received after the submittal deadline, and shall return such Proposals unopened to the Respondent.
- ✓ Williamson County will not accept any responsibility for Proposals being delivered by third party carriers.
- √ Facsimile transmittals will NOT be accepted.
- ✓ Proposals will be publicly opened in a manner to avoid public disclosure of contents; however, names of Respondents will be read aloud.
- ✓ All submitted questions with their answers will be posted and updated on www.bidsync.com.
- ✓ It is the Respondent's responsibility to review all documents in BidSync including any addenda that may have been added after the document packet was originally released and posted.
- ✓ Any addenda and/or other information relevant to the RFP will be posted on www.bidsync.com.
- ✓ The Williamson County Purchasing Department takes no responsibility to ensure any interested Respondent has obtained any outstanding addenda or additional information.
- ✓ Williamson County will NOT be responsible for unmarked or improperly marked envelopes.

# Bid 1605-081 Food Services for Williamson County Jail

Bid Number 1605-081

Bid Title Food Services for Williamson County Jail

Bid Start Date In Held

Bid End Date Jun 6, 2016 2:00:00 PM CDT

Question & Answer

End Date

Jun 2, 2016 5:00:00 PM CDT

Bid Contact Brenda Fuller

512-943-1607

brendafuller@wilco.org

Contract Duration 3 years

Contract Renewal 2 annual renewals

Prices Good for 3 years

Pre-Bid Conference May 25, 2016 2:00:00 PM CDT

Attendance is optional

Location: 508 South Rock Street

Georgetown, TX 78626

Bid Comments Food Services for Williamson County Jail

#### Item Response Form

Item 1605-081-01-01 · Please Attach All Proposal Documents to this line

Quantity 1 each

Prices are not requested for this item.

Delivery Location Williamson County, Texas

No Location Specified

Qty 1

#### Description

Please Attach All Proposal Documents To This Line

# **Bidder References**

List the last (3) companies or governmental agencies, where the same or similar goods and/or services as contained in this IFB package, were recently provided by Bidder.

Reference 1				
Client Name:		Location:		
Contact Name:		Title:		
Phone:		E-mail		
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# Reference 3

Client Name:		Location:	
Contact Name:		Title:	
Phone:		E-mail	
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# **CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE** Form CIQ For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with chapter 176 of the Local OFFICE USE ONLY Government Code by a person doing business with the governmental entity. Date Received By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local government not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code. A person commits an offense if the person violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor. Name of person doing business with local governmental entity. 1 2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than September 1 of the year for which an activity described in Section 176.006(a), Local Government Code, is pending and not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.) 3 Describe each affiliation or business relationship with an employee or contractor of the local governmental entity who makes recommendations to a local government officer of the local governmental entity with respect to expenditure of money. 5 6 4 Describe each affiliation or business relationship with a person who is a local government officer and who appoints or employs a local government officer of the local governmental entity that is the subject of this questionnaire. 5

# CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

Form CIQ

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5	Name of local government officer with whom filer has affiliation or business relationsh (Complete this section only if the answer to A, B, or C is YES.)			
	TI	nis section, item 5 including subparts A, B, C & D, must be completed for each officer was affiliation or other relationship. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as no		
	A.	Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable of the questionnaire?	e income from the filer	
	В.	Yes No Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income from or at the government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not from the location Yes No		
	C.	Is the filer of this questionnaire affiliated with a corporation or other business entity that officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent		
		D. Describe each affiliation or business relationship.		
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		Describe any other affiliation or business relationship that might cause conf	lict of interest:	
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		Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity	Date	
		Signature not required if completing in BIDSYNC electronica	lly.	

#### PROPOSAL AFFIDAVIT

#### This form must be completed, signed, notarized and returned with Proposal package

The undersigned certifies that the RFP and the Respondent's Proposal have been carefully reviewed and are submitted as correct and final. Respondent further certifies and agrees to furnish any and/or all goods and/or services upon which prices are extended at the price Proposal, and upon the conditions contained in the RFP.

STATE OF	COUNTY OF
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Not	tary Public in and for the State of, on this
day personally appeared being by me duly sworn, did depose and say:	(Name of Signer), who after
"I, of/agent for	(Name of Signer) am a duly authorized officer
	(Name of Respondent) and have been duly authorized
to execute the foregoing on behalf of the said	(Name of Respondent).
other person or persons engaged in the s Further, I certify that the Respondent is not concerned in any pool or agreement or com to influence any person or persons to submi	has not been prepared in collusion with any other Respondent or same line of business prior to the official opening of this Proposal. now, nor has been for the past six (6) months, directly or indirectly bination, to control the price of services/commodities Proposal on, or t a Proposal or not to submit a Proposal thereon."
Name and Address of Respondent:	
Fax:	Telephone #:
By:	Printed Name:
Title:	
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me by	the above-named
on this the	day of, 20
	Notary Public in and for
	The State of

#### 1. RESPONSE FORMAT AND SUBMISSION

#### 1.1 Introduction

Each Proposal submitted in response to this RFP should clearly reference those numbered sections of this RFP that require a response. Failure to arrange the Proposal as requested may result in the disqualification of the Proposal.

Though there is not a page limit for Proposals, to save natural resources including paper, and to allow Williamson County staff to efficiently evaluate all submitted Proposals, Williamson County requests that Proposals be orderly, concise, but comprehensive in providing the requested information. Conciseness and clarity of content are emphasized and encouraged. If mailed or delivered in person, please limit additional, non-requested information.

Please provide your Proposal response using:

- 1. 8 ½" x 11" pages, inclusive of any cover letter or supporting materials
- 2. The least amount of plastic/laminate or other non-recyclable binding materials
- Single-sided printing

Vague and general Proposals will be considered non-responsive, and may, at County's sole discretion, result in disqualification.

Proposals must be legible and complete. Failure to provide the required information may result in the disqualification of the Proposal. All pages of the Proposal should be numbered and the Proposal should contain an organized, paginated table of contents corresponding to the sections and pages of the Proposal.

# 1.2 Organization of Proposal Contents and Table of Contents

Each Proposal should be submitted with a table of contents that clearly identifies and denotes the location of each title and subtitle of the Proposal. Additionally, the table of contents should clearly identify and denote the location of all enclosures of the Proposal. The table of contents should follow the RFP's structure as much as is practical.

Each Proposal should be organized in the manner described below:

- Transmittal Letter
- 2. Table of Contents
- 3. Executive Summary
- 4. Proposal Response to Criteria (see Specifications & Cost Proposal, Experience and Qualifications, References, Implementation Strategy)
- 5. Price Sheet
- 6. References: Identification of three (3) references within the last 4 years for which the Respondent is providing or has provided the goods and services (public sector) of the type requested, including the name, position, and telephone number of a contact person at each entity
- Conflict of Interest Questionnaire
- 8. Proposal Affidavit and Addenda Acknowledgement
- 9. Signature Page
- 10. Attach your entities Sample Contract

#### 1.3 Transmittal Letter

The Respondent should submit a Transmittal Letter that provides the following:

- a) Name and address of individual or business entity submitting the Proposal;
- b) Respondent's type of business entity (i.e., Corporation, General Partnership, Limited Partnership, LLC, etc.);
- c) Place of incorporation or organization, if applicable;
- d) Name and location of major offices and other facilities that relate to the Respondent's performance under the terms of this RFP:
- e) Name, address, business and fax number of the Respondent's principal contact person regarding all contractual matters relating to this RFP;
- f) The Respondent's Federal Employer Identification Number;
- g) A commitment by the Respondent to provide the services required by Williamson County;
- h) A statement that the Proposal is valid for ninety (90) calendar days from the deadline for submittal of Proposals to Williamson County (Any Proposal containing a term of less than ninety (90) calendar days for acceptance, may at Williamson County's sole discretion, be rejected as non-responsive.);

If the Proposal being submitted will have an effect on air quality for Williamson County (as it relates to any state, federal, or voluntary air quality standard), then the Respondent is encouraged to provide information in narrative indicating the anticipated air quality impact.

The Transmittal Letter should be signed by a person legally authorized to bind the Respondent to the representations in the Transmittal Letter and Proposal. In the case of a joint Proposal, each party must sign the Transmittal Letter.

# 1.4 Executive Summary

The Respondent should provide an Executive Summary of its Proposal that asserts that the Respondent is providing in its response all of the requirements of this RFP. The Executive Summary must represent a full and concise summary of the contents of the Proposal

The Executive Summary should not include any information concerning the cost of the Proposal.

The Respondent should identify any services and/or goods that are provided beyond those specifically requested. If the Respondent is providing services and/or goods that do not meet the specific requirements of this RFP, but in the opinion of the Respondent are equivalent or superior to those specifically requested, any such differences should be noted in the Executive Summary. However, the Respondent must realize that failure to provide the services specifically required may, at Williamson County's sole discretion, result in disqualification of the Proposal.

The Respondent also should indicate why it believes that it is the most qualified Respondent to provide the services described in this RFP. The Successful Respondent must demonstrate extensive experience in and understanding required in order to carry out the intent of this project. The Respondent should describe in detail the current and historical experience the Respondent and its subcontractors have that would be relevant to completing the project. References must contain the name of key contacts and a telephone number. The Respondent should briefly state why it believes its proposed services and/or goods best meet Williamson County's needs and RFP requirements, and the Respondent also should concisely describe any additional features, aspects, or advantages of its services and/or goods in any relevant area not covered elsewhere in its Proposal.

# 1.5 Conflict of Interest

No public official shall have interest in a contract, in accordance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Local Government Code Title 5, Subtitle C, Chapter 171, as amended.

As of January 1, 2006, Respondents are responsible for complying with Local Government Code Title 5, Subtitle C, Chapter 176. Additional information may be obtained from the Williamson County website at the following link:

http://www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/Purchasing/ConflictofInterestDisclosure/tabid/689/language/en-US/Default.aspx

Each Respondent must disclose any existing or potential conflict of interest relative to the performance of the requirements of this RFP. Examples of potential conflicts may include an existing business or personal relationship between the Respondent, its principal, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with Williamson County or any other entity or person involved in any way in the project that is the subject of this RFP. Similarly, any personal or business relationship between the Respondent, the principals, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with any employee or official of Williamson County or its suppliers must be disclosed. Any such relationship that might be perceived or represented as a conflict must be disclosed. Failure to disclose any such relationship or reveal personal relationships with Williamson County employees or officials may be cause for termination. Williamson County will decide if an actual or perceived conflict should result in Proposal disqualification.

By submitting a Proposal in response to this RFP, all Respondents affirm that they have not given, nor intend to give, at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a Williamson County public servant or any employee, official or representative of same, in connection with this procurement.

Each Respondent must provide a Conflict of Interest Statement in accordance with this RFP.

#### 1.6 Certificate of Interested Parties

As of January 1, 2016, Respondents are responsible for complying with the Texas Government Code Section 2252.908. The law states that Williamson County may not enter into certain contracts with a Respondent unless the Respondent submits a disclosure of interested parties to Williamson County at the time the Respondent submits the signed contract to Williamson County.

The disclosure requirement applies to any contract of Williamson County entered into on or after January 1, 2016 that either:

- 1. requires an action or vote by the Commissioners Court (all contracts that fall under the jurisdiction of Commissioners Court approval such as contracts resulting from an IFB, RFP, RFQ etc. excluding but not limited to certain Juvenile Services contracts, contracts funded with Sheriff's seized funds monies etc.) before the contract may be signed
- 2. has a value of at least \$1 million.

Note: Since the majority of contracts with Williamson County require approval by the Commissioners Court, this form will most likely be required to be supplied.

On January 1, 2016, the Texas Ethics Commission made available on its website a new filing application that must be used to file Form 1295.

Information regarding how to use the filing application is available on the Texas Ethics Commission website at the following link:

# https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\_info\_form1295.htm

A Respondent must:

- 1. use the online application to process the required information on Form 1295
- 2. print a copy of the form which will contain a unique certification number
- 3. an authorized agent of the Respondent must sign the printed copy of the form
- 4. and have the form notarized
- 5. the completed Form 1295 and certification of filing must be filed (scanning and emailing form is sufficient) with Williamson County at the time the signed contract is submitted for Commissioners Court approval.

After Commissioners Court award of the contract, Williamson County must:

1. notify the commission, using the commission's filing application, of the receipt of the filed Form 1295 and certification of filing not later than the 30th day after the date the contract binds all parties to the contract. The commission will post the completed Form 1295 to its website within seven business days after receiving notice from Williamson County.

#### 1.7 Ethics

The Respondent shall not accept or offer gifts or anything of value nor enter into any business arrangement with any employee, official or agent of Williamson County.

# 1.8 Delivery of Proposals

Williamson County uses BidSync to distribute and receive bids and proposals Bids can be submitted electronically through BidSync or by hard copy. Refer to <a href="https://www.bidsync.com">www.bidsync.com</a> for further information.

If mailed or delivered in person, Proposals and Proposal addenda are to be delivered in sealed envelope on or before the submittal deadline, as noted in the 'Public Announcement and General Information' listed above for this RFP, to: Williamson County Purchasing Department Attn:

#### PROPOSAL NAME AND NUMBER

901 South Austin Avenue Georgetown,

Texas 78626

Williamson County will not accept any Proposals received after the submittal deadline, and shall return such Proposals unopened to the Respondent.

Williamson County will not accept any responsibility for Proposals being delivered by third party carriers.

Respondent should submit **one (1) original, two (2) paper copies** and **one (1) CD or (1) USB** copy of the Proposal. Proposals will be opened publicly in a manner to avoid public disclosure of contents; however, names of Respondents will be read aloud. Respondents should list the Proposal Number, Proposal Name, Name and Address of Respondent, and the Date of the Proposal opening on the outside of the box or envelope and note "Sealed Bid Enclosed."

# 2.1 <u>INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS</u>

Read this document carefully. Follow all instructions and requirements. You are responsible for fulfilling all requirements and specifications. Be sure you have a clear understanding of this RFP.

General requirements apply to all advertised RFPs; however, these may be superseded, in whole or in part, by the Proposal Specifications, Addenda issued as a part of this RFP and Modifications issued as a part of this RFP. Be sure your Proposal package is complete.

#### 2.2 Ambiguity, Conflict, or other Errors in the RFP

If Respondent discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error in this RFP, Respondent shall immediately notify Williamson County Purchasing Department of such error in writing and request modification or clarification of the document. Modifications will be made by issuing Addenda. If the Respondent fails to notify Williamson County prior to the date and time fixed for submission of Proposals of an error or ambiguity in the RFP known to Respondent, or an error or ambiguity that reasonably should have been known to Respondent, then Respondent shall be deemed to have waived the error or ambiguity or its later resolution.

Williamson County may also modify the RFP, no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of Proposals, by issuance of an Addendum. All addenda will be numbered consecutively, beginning with 1.

#### 2.3 Notification of Most Current Address

Respondents in receipt of this RFP shall notify the Williamson County Purchasing Department of any address changes, contact person changes, and/or telephone number changes no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of Proposals.

#### 2.4 Proposal Preparation Cost

Cost of developing Proposals is entirely the responsibility of Respondents and shall not be charged to Williamson County.

# 2.5 Signature of Respondent

A Transmittal Letter, which shall be considered an integral part of the Proposal, shall be signed by an individual who is authorized to bind the Respondent contractually.

If the Respondent is a Corporation or Limited Liability Company, the legal name of the Corporation or Limited Liability Company shall be provided together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign on behalf of such entity.

If the Respondent is a General Partnership, the true name of the firm shall be provided with the signature of each partner authorized to sign.

If the Respondent is a Limited Partnership, the name of the Limited Partner's General Partner shall be provided with the signature of the officer authorized to sign on behalf of the General Partner.

If the Respondent is a Sole Proprietor(s) (individual), each Sole Proprietor(s) shall sign.

If signature is by an agent, other than the Sole Proprietor(s) or an officer of a Corporation, Limited Liability Company, General Partner or a member of a General Partnership, a power of attorney or equivalent document must be submitted to the Williamson County Purchasing Department prior to contract award.

#### 2.6 Assumed Business Name

If the Respondent operates business under an Assumed Business Name, the Respondent must have on file with the Williamson County Clerk a current Assumed Name Certificate and provide a file marked copy of same prior to contract award.

#### 2.7 Economy of Presentation

Proposals should not contain promotional or display materials, except as they may directly answer in whole or in part questions contained in the RFP. Such exhibits shall be clearly marked with the applicable reference number of the question in the RFP. Proposals must address the technical requirements as specified in the RFP. All questions posed by the RFP must be answered concisely and clearly. Proposals that do not address each criterion may be, at the sole discretion of Williamson County, rejected and not considered.

# 2.8 Proposal Obligation

The contents of the RFP, Proposal and any clarification thereof submitted by the Successful Respondent shall become part of the contractual obligation and incorporated by reference into the Contract and any ensuing agreement.

# 2.9 Compliance with RFP Specifications

It is intended that this RFP describe the requirements and the response format in sufficient detail to secure comparable Proposals. Failure to comply with all provisions of the RFP may, at the sole discretion of Williamson County, result in disgualification.

#### 2.10 Evaluation

Williamson County reserves the right to use all pertinent information (also learned from sources other than disclosed in the RFP process) that might affect Williamson County's judgment as to the appropriateness of an award to the best evaluated Respondent. This information may be appended to the Proposal evaluation process results. Information on a Respondent from reliable sources, and not within the Respondent's Proposal, may also be noted and made part of the evaluation file. Williamson County shall have sole discretion for determining the reliability of the source. Williamson County reserves the right to conduct written and/or oral discussions/interviews after the Proposal opening. The purpose of such discussions/interviews is to provide clarification and/or additional information to make an award that is in the best interest of Williamson County.

#### 2.11 Withdrawal of Proposal

The Respondent may withdraw its Proposal by submitting a written request over the signature of an authorized individual, as described herein above, to the Williamson County Purchasing Department any time prior to the submission deadline. The Respondent may thereafter submit a new Proposal prior to the deadline. Withdrawal of a Proposal after the deadline will be subject to written approval of the Williamson County Purchasing Agent.

# 2.12 Responsibility

It is expected that a Respondent will be able to affirmatively demonstrate Respondent's responsibility. Respondent should be able to meet the following requirements:

- a) have adequate financial resources, or the ability to obtain such resources as required;
- b) be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery schedule;
- c) have a satisfactory record of performance; and
- d) be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.

Williamson County may request representation and other information sufficient to determine Respondent's ability to meet these minimum standards listed above.

#### 2.13 Purchase Orders

If required by the Williamson County Purchasing Department, a purchase order(s) may be generated to the Successful Respondent for goods and/or services. If a purchase order is issued, the purchase order number must appear on all itemized invoices and/or requests for payment.

# 2.14 Silence of Specifications

The apparent silence of any RFP specifications as to any detail or to the apparent omission from it of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best practices are to prevail. All interpretations of these specifications shall be made on the basis of this statement.

#### 2.15 References

Williamson County requires Respondent to supply a list of at least three (3) references within the last 4 years where like services and/or goods have been supplied by Respondent if Respondent has not done business with the County within the past five (5) years.

#### 3.1 DEFINITIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 3.2 Definitions

- a) "Addenda" Means any written or graphic instruments issued by Williamson County prior to the consideration of Proposals which modify or interpret the Proposal Documents by additions, deletions, clarifications, or corrections.
- b) "Agreement" The Successful Respondent may be required by Williamson County to sign an additional Agreement containing terms necessary to ensure compliance with the RFP and Respondent's Proposal. Such ensuing Agreement shall contain the Proposal Specifications, Terms and Conditions that are derived from the RFP.
- c) "Contract" This RFP and the Proposal of the Successful Respondent shall become a contract between the Successful Respondent and Williamson County once the Successful Respondent's Proposal is properly accepted by the Williamson County Commissioners Court (sometimes referred to herein as the "Commissioners Court").
- d) "Proposal Documents" The Legal Notice, RFP including attachments, and any Addenda issued by Williamson County prior to the consideration of any Proposals.
- e) "Proposal" Is a complete, properly signed Proposal submitted in accordance with this RFP which is irrevocable during the specified period for evaluation and acceptance of Proposals.
- f) "Respondent" A person or entity who submits a Proposal in response to this RFP.
- a) "RFP" Refers to this document, together with the attachments thereto and any future addenda issued by Williamson County.
- "Successful Respondent" The responsible Respondent who, in Williamson County's sole opinion, submits the Proposal which
  is in the best interest of Williamson County, taking into account factors identified herein and to whom Williamson County intends
  to award the Contract.

#### 3.3 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

# 3.3.1 Venue and Governing Law

Respondent hereby agrees and acknowledges that venue and jurisdiction of any suit, right, or cause of action arising out of or in connection with this RFP, the Contract and any ensuing Agreement shall lie exclusively in either Williamson County, Texas or in the Austin Division of the Western Federal District of Texas, and the parties hereto expressly consent and submit to such jurisdiction. Furthermore, except to the extent that this RFP, the Contract and any ensuing Agreement is governed by the laws of the United States, this RFP, the Contract and any ensuing Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, excluding, however, its choice of law rules.

# 3.3.2 Incorporation by Reference and Precedence

The Contract shall be derived from (1) the RFP and its Addenda; and (2) the Respondent's Proposal. In the event of a dispute under the Contract, applicable documents will be referred to for the purpose of clarification or for additional detail in the following order of precedence: (1) the RFP and its Addenda; and (2) the Respondent's Proposal.

In the event Williamson County requires that an ensuing Agreement be executed following award and a dispute arises between terms and conditions of the ensuing Agreement, (2) the RFP, and its Addenda; and (3) the Respondent's Proposal, applicable documents will be referred to for the purpose of Clarification or for additional detail in the following order of precedence: (1) terms and conditions of the ensuing Agreement and its Addenda, (2) the RFP and its Addenda; and (3) the Respondent's Proposal.

# 3.3.3 Ownership of Proposal

Each Proposal shall become the property of Williamson County upon submittal and will not be returned to Respondents unless received after the submittal deadline.

# 3.3.4 Disqualification of Respondent

Upon signing and submittal of the Proposal, a Respondent offering to sell supplies, materials, services, or equipment to Williamson County certifies that the Respondent has not violated the antitrust laws of this state codified in Section 15.01, et seq, Business & Commerce Code, or the Federal Antitrust Laws, and has not communicated directly or indirectly the offer made to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business. Any or all Proposals may be rejected if Williamson County believes that collusion exists among the Respondents.

# 3.3.5 Funding

County intends to budget and make sufficient funds available and authorize funds for expenditure to finance the costs of the Contract. Respondents understand and agree that the County's payment of amounts under the Contract shall be contingent on the County receiving appropriations or other expenditure authority sufficient to allow the County, in the exercise of reasonable administrative discretion, to make payments under the Contract.

# 3.3.6 Assignment, Successors and Assigns

The Successful Respondent may not assign, sell, or otherwise transfer the Contract or any other rights or interests obtained under the Contract without written permission of the Williamson County Commissioners Court. The Contract and any ensuing Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the contracting parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

#### 3.3.7 Implied Requirements

Products and services not specifically described or required in the RFP, but which are necessary to provide the functional capabilities described by the Respondent, shall be deemed to be implied and included in the Proposal.

#### 3.3.8 Termination

- Termination for Cause: Williamson County reserves the right to terminate the Contract and/or any ensuing Agreement for default if the Successful Respondent breaches any of the RFP Specifications, Terms and Conditions, including warranties of Respondent, if any, or if the Successful Respondent becomes insolvent or commits acts of bankruptcy. Such right of termination is in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies Williamson County may have at law or in equity or as may otherwise be provided herein. Default may be construed as, but not limited to, failure to deliver the proper goods and/or services within the proper amount of time, and/or to properly perform any and all other requirements to Williamson County's satisfaction, and/or to meet all other obligations and requirements.
- b) **Termination for Convenience:** Williamson County may terminate the Contract and/or any ensuing Agreement for convenience and without cause or further liability, upon ninety (90) calendar day's written notice to Successful Respondent. In the event Williamson County exercises its right to terminate without cause, it is understood and agreed that only the amounts due to the Successful Respondent for goods, commodities and/or services provided and expenses incurred to and including the date of termination, will be due and payable. No penalty will be assessed for Williamson County's termination for convenience.

#### 3.2.9 Non-Performance

It is the objective of Williamson County to obtain complete and satisfactory performance of the requirements set forth herein. In addition to any other remedies available at law, in equity or that may be set out herein, failure to perform may result in a deduction of payment equal to the amount of the goods and/or services that were not provided and/or performed to the County's satisfaction. In the event of such non-performance, the County shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to complete the services itself or by others and/or purchase the goods from other sources. If the County elects to acquire the goods or perform the services itself or by others, pursuant to the foregoing, the Successful Respondent shall reimburse the County, within ten (10) calendar days of demand, for all costs incurred by the County (including, without limitation, applicable, general, and administrative expenses, and field overhead, and the cost of necessary equipment, materials, and field labor) in correcting the nonperformance which the Successful Respondent fails to meet pursuant to the requirements set out herein. In the event the Successful Respondent refuses to reimburse the County as set out in this provision, County shall have the right to deduct such reimbursement amounts from any amounts that may be then owing or that may become owing in the future to the Successful Respondent.

# 3.2.10 Proprietary Information and Texas Public Information Act

All material submitted to the County shall become public property and subject to the Texas Public Information Act upon receipt. If a Respondent does not desire proprietary information in the Proposal to be disclosed, each page must be clearly identified and marked proprietary at time of submittal or, more preferably, all proprietary information may be placed in a folder or appendix and be clearly identified and marked as being proprietary. The County will, to the extent allowed by law, endeavor to protect from public disclosure the information that has been identified and marked as proprietary. The final decision as to what information must be disclosed, however, lies with the Texas Attorney General. Failure to clearly identify and mark information as being proprietary as set forth under this provision will result in all unmarked information being deemed non-proprietary and available to the public. For all information that has not been clearly identified and marked as proprietary by the Respondent, the County may choose to place such information on the County's website and/or a similar public database without obtaining any type of prior consent from the Respondent.

To the extent, if any, that any provision in this RFP or in the Respondent's Proposal is in conflict with Tex. Gov't Code 552.001 et seq., as amended (the "Public Information Act"), the same shall be of no force or effect. Furthermore, it is expressly understood and agreed that Williamson County, its officers and employees may request advice, decisions and opinions of the Attorney General of the State of Texas in regard to the application of the Public Information Act to any items or data furnished to Williamson County as to whether or not the same are available to the public. It is further understood that Williamson County's officers and employees shall have the right to rely on the advice, decisions and opinions of the Attorney General, and that Williamson County, its officers and employees shall have no liability or obligation to any party hereto for the disclosure to the public, or to any person or persons, of any items or data furnished to Williamson County by a party hereto, in reliance of any advice, decision or opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas.

# 3.2.11 Right to Audit

Successful Respondent agrees that Williamson County or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after termination or expiration of the Contract and/or the ensuing Agreement, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of Successful Respondent, which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed or goods to be delivered for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Successful Respondent agrees that Williamson County shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. Williamson County shall give Successful Respondent reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

# 3.2.12 Inspections and Testing

Williamson County reserves the right to inspect and test equipment, supplies, material(s) and goods for quality and compliance with this RFP, and ability to meet the needs of the user. Demonstration units must be available for review. Should the goods or services fail to meet requirements and/or be unavailable for evaluation, Williamson County can deem the Respondent to be in breach and terminate the Contract and/or any ensuing Agreement(s).

# 3.2.13 Proposal Preparation Cost

Cost of developing Proposals is entirely the responsibility of Respondents and shall not be charged to Williamson County. There is no expressed or implied obligation for Williamson County to reimburse Respondents for any expense incurred in preparing a Proposal in response to this RFP and Williamson County will not reimburse Respondents for such expenses.

#### 3.2.14 Indemnification

SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND AND SAVE HARMLESS WILLIAMSON COUNTY, ITS OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS AND AGENTS' EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, LIABILITY, AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING FROM ACTIVITIES OF RESPONDENT, ITS AGENTS, SERVANTS OR EMPLOYEES, PERFORMED HEREUNDER THAT RESULT FROM THE NEGLIGENT ACT, ERROR, OR OMISSION OF RESPONDENT OR ANY OF RESPONDENT'S AGENTS, SERVANTS OR EMPLOYEES, AS WELL AS ALL CLAIMS OF LOSS OR DAMAGE TO THE RESPONDENT'S AND WILLIAMSON COUNTY'S PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT, AND/OR SUPPLIES.

FURTHERMORE, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, ITS OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS AND AGENTS' EMPLOYEES SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES TO THE SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT ARISING FROM ANY ACT OF ANY THIRD PARTY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT BEING LIMITED TO THEFT. SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT FURTHER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY, DEFEND AND SAVE HARMLESS WILLIAMSON COUNTY FROM, ITS OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS AND AGENTS' EMPLOYEES AGAINST ALL CLAIMS OF WHATEVER NATURE ARISING FROM ANY ACCIDENT, INJURY, OR DAMAGE WHATSOEVER CAUSED TO ANY PERSON OR TO THE PROPERTY OF ANY PERSON OCCURRING IN RELATION TO SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT'S PERFORMANCE OF ANY SERVICES REQUESTED HEREUNDER DURING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT AND/OR ANY ENSUING AGREEMENT.

SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT SHALL TIMELY REPORT ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, SUITS, ACTIONS, PROCEEDINGS, LIENS OR JUDGMENTS TO WILLIAMSON COUNTY AND SHALL, UPON THE RECEIPT OF ANY CLAIM, DEMAND, SUIT, ACTION, PROCEEDING, LIEN OR JUDGMENT, NOT LATER THAN THE FIFTEENTH (15TH) DAY OF EACH MONTH; PROVIDE WILLIAMSON COUNTY WITH A WRITTEN REPORT ON EACH SUCH MATTER, SETTING FORTH THE STATUS OF EACH MATTER, THE SCHEDULE OR PLANNED PROCEEDINGS WITH RESPECT TO EACH MATTER AND THE COOPERATION OR ASSISTANCE, IF ANY, OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY REQUIRED BY SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT IN THE DEFENSE OF EACH MATTER. SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT'S DUTY TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD WILLIAMSON COUNTY HARMLESS SHALL BE ABSOLUTE. IT SHALL NOT ABATE OR END BY REASON OF THE EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT AND/OR ANY ENSUING AGREEMENT UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED BY WILLIAMSON COUNTY IN WRITING. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL SURVIVE THE TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT AND SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT WITH RESPECT TO ALL SUCH MATTERS NO MATTER WHEN THEY ARISE.

IN THE EVENT OF ANY DISPUTE BETWEEN THE PARTIES AS TO WHETHER A CLAIM, DEMAND, SUIT, ACTION, PROCEEDING, LIEN OR JUDGMENT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY OR APPEARS TO HAVE ARISEN OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY, RESPONDENT SHALL NEVER-THE-LESS FULLY DEFEND SUCH CLAIM, DEMAND, SUIT, ACTION, PROCEEDING, LIEN OR JUDGMENT UNTIL AND UNLESS

THERE IS A DETERMINATION BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION THAT THE ACTS AND OMISSIONS OFRESPONDENT ARE NOT AT ISSUE IN THE MATTER.

SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT'S INDEMNIFICATION SHALL COVER, AND SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT AGREES TO INDEMNIFY WILLIAMSON COUNTY, IN THE EVENT WILLIAMSON COUNTY IS FOUND TO HAVE BEEN NEGLIGENT FOR HAVING SELECTED SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT TO PERFORM THE WORK DESCRIBED IN THIS REQUEST. THE PROVISION BY SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT OF INSURANCE SHALL NOT LIMIT THE LIABILITY OF SUCCESSFUL RESPONDENT UNDER THE CONTRACT AND/OR ANY ENSUING AGREEMENT.

#### 3.2.15 Waiver of Subrogation

Successful Respondent and Successful Respondent's insurance carrier waive any and all rights whatsoever with regard to subrogation against Williamson County as an indirect party to any suit arising out of personal or property damages resulting from the Respondent's performance under this Contract and any ensuing Agreement.

# 3.2.16 Relationship of the Parties

The Successful Respondent shall be an independent contractor and shall assume all of the rights, obligations, liabilities, applicable to it as such independent contractor hereunder and any provisions herein which may appear to give County the right to direct the Successful Respondent as to details of doing work herein covered or to exercise a measure of control over the work shall be deemed to mean that the Successful Respondent shall follow the desires of County in the results of the work only. County shall not retain or have the right to control the Successful Respondent's means, methods or details pertaining to the Successful Respondent's performance of the work. County and the Successful Respondent hereby agree and declare that the Successful Respondent is an independent contractor and as such meets the qualifications of an "Independent Contractor' under Texas Workers Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code, Section 406.141, that the Successful Respondent is not an employee of County, and that the Successful Respondent and its employees, agents and sub- contractors shall not be entitled to workers compensation coverage or any other type of insurance coverage held by County.

#### 3.2.17 Sole Provider

The Successful Respondent agrees and acknowledges that it shall not be considered a sole provider of the goods and/or services described herein and that Williamson County may contract with other providers of such goods and/or services if Williamson County deems, at its sole discretion, that multiple providers of the same goods and/or services will serve the best interest of Williamson County.

# 3.2.18 Force Majeure

If the party obligated to perform is prevented from performance by an act of war, order of legal authority, act of God, or other unavoidable cause not attributable to the fault or negligence of said party, the other party shall grant such party relief from the performance. The burden of proof for the need of such relief shall rest upon the party obligated to perform. To obtain release based on force majeure, the party obligated to perform shall file a written request with the other party.

#### 3.2.19 Severability

If any provision of this RFP, the Contract or any ensuing Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision thereof, but rather the entire RFP, Contract or any ensuing Agreement will be construed as if not containing the particular invalid or unenforceable provision or provisions, and the rights and obligation of the parties shall be construed and enforced in accordance therewith. The parties acknowledge that if any provision of this RFP, the Contract or any ensuing Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, it is the desire and intention of each that such provision be reformed and construed in such a manner that it will, to the maximum extent practicable, give effect to the intent of this RFP, the Contract or any ensuing Agreement and be deemed to be validated and enforceable.

#### 3.2.20 Equal Opportunity

Neither party shall discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

#### 3.2.21 Notice

Any notice to be given shall be in writing and may be affected by personal delivery or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the proper party, at the following address:

Williamson County Purchasing Department Max Bricka, Purchasing Agent (or successor) 901 S Austin Ave.

Georgetown, Texas 78626

Respondent: Address set out in Respondent's Transmittal Letter

Notices given in accordance with this provision shall be effective upon (i) receipt by the party to which notice is given, or (ii) on the third (3rd) calendar day following mailing, whichever occurs first.

# 3.2.22 Sales and Use Tax Exemption

Williamson County is a corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas and claims exemption from sales and use taxes under Texas Tax Code Ann. § 151.309, as amended, and the services and/or goods subject hereof are being secured for use by Williamson County.

### 3.2.23 Compliance with Laws

Williamson County and Successful Respondent shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of the Contract and any ensuing Agreement, including, without limitation, Workers' Compensation laws, salary and wage statutes and regulations, licensing laws and regulations. When required, the Successful Respondent shall furnish the County with certification of compliance with said laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees above specified.

# 3.2.24 Incorporation of Exhibits, Appendices and Attachments

All of the Exhibits, Appendices and Attachments referred to herein be incorporated by reference as if set forth verbatim herein.

# 3.2.25 No Waiver of Immunities

Nothing herein shall be deemed to waive, modify or amend any legal defense available at law or in equity to Williamson County, its past or present officers, employees, or agents, nor to create any legal rights or claim on behalf of any third party. Williamson County does not waive, modify, or alter to any extent whatsoever the availability of the defense of governmental immunity under the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States.

#### 3.2.26 No Waiver

The failure or delay of any party to enforce at any time or any period of time any of the provisions of this RFP, the Contract or any ensuing Agreement shall not constitute a present or future waiver of such provisions nor the right of either party to enforce each and every provision. Furthermore, no term or provision shall be deemed waived and no breach excused unless such waiver or consent shall be in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived or consented. Any consent by any party to, or waiver of, a breach by the other, whether expressed or implied, shall not constitute a consent to, waiver of or excuse for any other, different or subsequent breach.

#### 3.2.27 Current Revenues

The obligations of the parties under the Contract and any ensuing Agreement do not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness for which County is obligated to levy, pledge, or collect any of taxation. It is understood and agreed that Williamson County shall have the right to terminate the Contract and any ensuing Agreement at the end of any Williamson County fiscal year if the governing of Williamson County does not appropriate sufficient funds as determined by Williamson County's budget for the fiscal year in question. Williamson County may affect such termination by giving written notice of termination to the Successful Respondent at the end of its then-current fiscal year.

# 3.2.28 Binding Effect

This Contract and any ensuing Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective permitted assigns and successors.

#### 3.2.29 Assignment

The Successful Respondent's interest and duties hereunder may not be assigned or delegated to a third party without the express written consent of Williamson County.

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# 3.2.30 General Obligations and Reliance Williamson County, Texas Bid 1605-081

Successful Respondent shall perform all services and/or provide all goods, as well as those reasonably inferable and necessary for completion and provision of the services and goods required hereunder. The Successful Respondent shall keep the County informed of the progress and quality of the services and/or goods to be provided. Successful Respondent agrees and acknowledges that County is relying on Successful Respondent's represented expertise and ability to provide the goods and/or services described herein. Successful Respondent agrees to use its best efforts, skill, judgment, and abilities to perform its obligations in accordance with the highest standards used in the profession and to further the interests of County in accordance with County's requirements and procedures. Successful Respondent's duties as set forth herein shall at no time be in any way diminished by reason of any approval by the County nor shall the Successful Respondent be released from any liability by reason of such approval by the County, it being understood that the County at all times is ultimately relying upon the Successful Respondent's skill and knowledge in performing the services and providing any goods required hereunder.

# 3.2.31 Contractual Development

The Williamson County Commissioners Court may award the Contract on the basis of the initial Proposals received, without any further or additional discussions. Therefore, each initial Proposal should contain the Respondent's best terms and offer. The contents of the RFP and the selected Proposal will become an integral part of the Contract, but may be modified, at Williamson County's sole discretion, by provisions of an ensuing Agreement. Therefore, the Respondent must agree to inclusion in an ensuing Agreement of the Proposal Specifications, Terms and Conditions of this RFP. Williamson County may, at its discretion, opt to conduct further discussions with responsible offerors and request the highest ranked firm's Best and Final Offer.

# 3.2.32 Entire Agreement

The Contract and any ensuing Agreement shall supersede all prior Agreements, written or oral between the Successful Respondent and County and shall constitute the entire Agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the services and/or goods to be provided. Each of the provisions herein shall be binding upon the parties and may not be waived, modified amended or altered except by writing signed by the Successful Respondent and County.

# 3.2.33 Survivability

All applicable agreements that were entered into between Respondent and Williamson County under the terms and conditions of the Contract and/or any ensuing Agreement shall survive the expiration or termination thereof for ninety (90) days unless a new contract has been awarded.

#### 3.2.34 Payment

County's payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. An invoice shall be deemed overdue the 31st day after the later of (1) the date County receives the goods under the Contract; (2) the date the performance of the service under the Contract is completed; or (3) the date the Williamson County Auditor receives an invoice for the goods or services. Interest charges for any overdue payments shall be paid by County in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. More specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of County's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday.

In the event that an error appears in an invoice submitted by Successful Respondent, County shall notify Successful Respondent of the error not later than the twenty first (21st) day after the date County receives the invoice. If the error is resolved in favor of Successful Respondent, Successful Respondent shall be entitled to receive interest on the unpaid balance of the invoice submitted by Successful Respondent beginning on the date that the payment for the invoice became overdue. If the error is resolved in favor of the County, Successful Respondent shall submit a corrected invoice that must be paid in accordance within the time set forth above. The unpaid balance accrues interest as provided by

Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code if the corrected invoice is not paid by the appropriate date. As a minimum, invoices shall include:

- Name, address, and telephone number of Successful Respondent and similar information in the event the payment is to be made to a different address
- · County contract, Purchase Order, and/or delivery order number
- Identification of items or service as outlined in the Contract
- Quantity or quantities, applicable unit prices, total prices, and total amount
- Any additional payment information which may be called for by the Contract

Payment inquiries should be directed to the Williamson County Auditor's Office,

Accounts Payable Department: accountspayable@wilco.org, (512) 943-1500.

# 3.2.35 Contractual Formation and Ensuing Agreement

The RFP and the Respondent's Proposal, when properly accepted by the Williamson County Commissioners Court, shall constitute a contract equally binding between the Successful Respondent and Williamson County. The Successful Respondent may be required by Williamson County to sign an additional Agreement containing terms necessary to ensure compliance with the RFP and Respondent's Proposal.

THE RESPONDENT'S PROPOSAL SHOULD INCLUDE A SAMPLE CONTRACT, ANY OR ALL ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS OR TERMS AND CONDITIONS AT THE TIME THE RESPONDENT'S PROPOSAL IS SUBMMITTED USING SEPARATE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR THE COUNTY'S REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION.

# 3.2.36 Legal Liability Information

The Successful Bidder shall disclose all legal liability information by listing any pending litigation or anticipated litigation that your firm is involved in, including but not limited to, potential or actual legal matters with private parties and any local, State, Federal or international governmental entities. Williamson County reserves the right to consider legal liability information in the recommendation of any proposed contract to the Williamson County Commissioners Court.

# 3.2.37 Confidentiality

Respondent expressly agrees that it will not use any direct or incidental confidential information that may be obtained while working in a governmental setting for its own benefit, and agrees that it will not access unauthorized areas or confidential information and it will not disclose any information to unauthorized third parties, and will take care to guard the security of the information at all times.

# PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The County is seeking a Vendor to provide Food Service for the Williamson County Jail Facility (sometimes referred to as the "Jail Facility" or the "Jail"). The specifications and contract are contained herein. The County reserves the right to evaluate and award a contract based on the best offer determined for the Jail Facility.

The awarded Vendor shall furnish all labor, supplies, and foodstuff to provide a FULL FOOD SERVICE for inmates of the Jail Facility. Williamson County will cooperate with the Successful Respondent for obtaining USDA surplus commodities, when applicable, for use in the performance of the contract.

As set forth herein below, the Williamson County Jail may choose to operate a separate Officer Dining Room (ODR) that would be available 7 days per week where staff can purchase meals, sandwiches, and snacks during hours of operation. Respondents that would be willing to offer food service for Jail staff will need to include with their proposals a proposal for Jail staff meals as well. The specifications and requirements for food service for Jail staff, if Williamson County chooses to allow such service during the contract period, are set out below.

Vendor shall enter into a binding contract with Williamson County for a period of three years. The anticipated contract period will be July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019 ("Initial Term"). The contract the selected vendor will be required to execute for providing food service to the Jail inmates is entitled Jail Inmate Food Service Contract at the Williamson County Jail, which is attached hereto and made a part of this specification package. In the event Williamson County choose to also allow food service to Jail staff in addition to the required food service for Jail inmates, the selected vendor will be required to execute the contract entitled Jail Inmate and Staff Food Service Contract at the Williamson County Jail, which is also attached hereto and made a part of this specification package.

As set out in the attached contract forms and in this RFP, Williamson County reserves the right to extend the awarded contract for two (2) additional twelve (12) month periods as it deems to be in the best interest of the County, and as long as at the end of Initial Term of the contract, any proposed cost increase for an extension term does not exceed the applicable increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers (CPI-I), U.S. City Average, Food Away From Home Index, from the prior year to the current year.

**Site Visit:** Please contact Mark White at (512) 943-1365 to arrange an appointment to see the Jail kitchen facilities.

**APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:** The following list of documents must be included in the submitted proposal package:

- Proposals shall have attached a minimum 21-day non-repetitive jail inmate menu detailing specific portion sizes, indicating cooked or raw weights, caloric content, and seasonal variations for holiday meals.
- 2) OPTIONAL: If the respondent wishes to offer food service to Jail staff in accordance with the specification and terms set out below, proposals shall also have attached a menu and price per meal for Jail staff meals to be made available for purchase by Jail staff in the ODR.
- 3) Proposals shall have attached a Holiday menu to be incorporated into the proposed 21-day non-repetitive menu.

- 4) The jail inmate menu submitted shall be reviewed and approved by a Registered Dietician. The letter of review and approval must be attached. Copies of the dietician credentials must also be attached.
- 5) Proposals shall have attached a copy of the proposer's TEXAS SALES AND USE TAX PERMIT.
- Proposals shall have attached a copy of the proposer's CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME filed for record.
- 7) Proposals shall have attached a letter of application for the required insurance coverage as follows:
  - a. COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL LIABILITY, to include, Premises and Operations, Independent Contractor, Personal Injury, Products and Completed Operations, Contractual Liability and Property Damage, \$1,500,000; Workers Compensation, Statutory Limits;
- 8) PERFORMANCE BOND is required guaranteeing performance of all conditions of the contract in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), said bond to be forfeited in the event that Vendor fails to satisfactorily perform the contract.
- The OFFICIAL WILLIAMSON COUNTY PROPOSAL FORM shall be dated and properly signed.
- 10) A CURRENT FINANCIAL STATEMENT shall be included in the submitted proposal package.
- A listing of all correctional facilities with inmate average daily population in excess of 500 where the preparation of meals occurred at an outside facility while continuing to meet all food service specifications/requirements as listed in this RFP.

#### FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVING:

- 1) Except as otherwise set out herein, the food shall be prepared in the Jail kitchen facility.
- When available, 8-10 inmate trustees may be utilized for food preparation for Jail inmate meals only. Jail management will determine availability. Jail inmate trustees may not be utilized for Jail staff meal preparation.
- 3) Food shall be served at proper temperatures. Jail inmate meals shall be served on insulated plastic trays and distributed to inmates.
- 4) The Vendor shall be responsible for maintaining proper food temperatures from time of preparation until actual serving of meals.
- During the term of the contract, Williamson County intends to construct improvements to the Jail Facility. Such improvements will be made to the Jail kitchen during the construction. The Vendor must provide a provision for the preparation of meals outside the Jail kitchen facility during the construction on a temporary basis while the Jail kitchen facility is undergoing extensive renovations. The provision and preparation of meals outside of the Jail kitchen during construction may be provided by either mobile transport of meals to the Jail Facility or through the use of a temporary meal preparation facility provided by the vendor. Any temporary kitchen may be located on the County's property within one city block of the Jail.

- 6) The vendor shall provide the temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport for the duration of the Jail kitchen construction. Based on current facts and circumstances, the County estimates the Jail kitchen construction will take approximately 90-120 business days.
- 7) During construction on the Jail kitchen facilities and while vendor prepares meals outside of the Jail kitchen, the vendor must continue with the same 21 day Jail inmate menu rotation as provided when utilizing the Jail kitchen facility.
- 8) The temporary preparation of meals outside of the Jail kitchen must include provisions for cleaning and sanitation as required by the Williamson County Health Department and in the same manner as will be required for preparation of meals inside the Jail kitchen.
- 9) Water and Wastewater hook ups will be provided during the operation of the temporary meal preparation facility.
- 10) Inmate trustee labor will not be made available outside of the Jail during the construction of the Jail kitchen while the meals are provided by mobile transport or by use of a temporary cooking facility.
- During construction on the Jail kitchen, meals must be delivered from the temporary facility or mobile transport to a secure area in the Jail, as directed by Williamson County Jail personnel. Inmate trustee labor for Jail inmate food service will be available once the meals are delivered by the vendor to the interior secure area of the Jail Facility.

#### OPTIONAL: JAIL STAFF MEALS

The Williamson County Jail may choose to operate a separate Officer Dining Room (ODR) that would be available 7 days per week where staff can purchase meals, sandwiches, and snacks during hours of operation. Respondents that would be willing to offer food service for Jail staff in addition to the required food service for Jail inmates will need to include with their proposals a proposal for Jail Staff Meals. The specifications and requirements for food service for Jail staff, if Williamson County chooses to allow such service during the contract period, shall be as follows:

- The Jail staff's food service shall be of the type and grade of product typically served in governmental employee cafeterias with slightly larger portions and offer additional condiments than those provided to Jail inmates.
- Currently, food service is not provided or made available in the ODR.
- 3) Inmate labor shall not be used to prepare or distribute staff meals.
- 4) Respondents shall provide a menu and price per meal for Jail staff meals.
- 5) The vendor shall provide separate serving plates, utensils and storage for Jail staff prepared meals.
- Meals prepared for Jail staff shall be made available for breakfast, lunch and dinner.
- 7) During construction on the Jail kitchen facilities and while vendor prepares meals outside of the Jail kitchen, the vendor must continue to provide the Jail staff meals in the ODR as provided when utilizing the Jail kitchen facility.
- 8) Williamson County will not collect or be invoiced for Jail staff meals. Payment for Jail staff meals must be collected from Jail staff at time of purchase and collection of Jail staff meal

- costs shall be solely the responsibility of the Jail staff and Vendor pursuant to any applicable policies of the Williamson County Sheriff's Office, Auditor, or Commissioners Court.
- 9) Williamson County cannot guarantee a minimum or maximum amount of Jail staff meals per day since Jail staff will be free to choose whether or not to order such meals.

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	following manner (SPECIFY UNIT COST):
JAIL INM	TE FOOD SERVICE:
	ail Inmate Meal During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal/snack preparation acility or by mobile transport):
	<ul> <li>Per <u>Jail Inmate</u>, Per <u>Regular Meal</u> (breakfast, lunch and dinner) – During Jail Kitcher Construction (temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport):</li> <li>         \$; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>b.</u> Per <u>Jail Inmate</u>, Per <u>Dietary Snack</u> – During Jail Kitchen Construction (snacks prepared in temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport):</li> <li>\$</li> </ul>
2.	ail Inmate Meal During Use of Jail Kitchen:
	<ul> <li>a. Per <u>Jail Inmate</u>, Per <u>Regular Meal</u> (breakfast, lunch and dinner) – Meals Prepared in Jail Kitchen: \$; and</li> <li>b. Per <u>Jail Inmate</u>, Per <u>Dietary Snack</u> – Snacks Prepared in Jail Kitchen: \$</li> </ul>
OPTIONA	. – JAIL STAFF FOOD SERVICE:
	ail Staff Meal During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal/snack preparation acility or by mobile transport):
	<ul> <li>Per <u>Jail Staff</u>, Per <u>Regular Meal</u> (breakfast, lunch and dinner) – During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport):</li> <li>\$*</li> </ul>
2. Jail	Staff Meal During Use of Jail Kitchen:
	<ul> <li>Per <u>Jail Staff</u>, Per <u>Regular Meal</u> (breakfast, lunch and dinner) – Meals Prepared in Jail Kitchen: \$*</li> </ul>

\* Jail staff will personally pay for Jail staff meals on a per meal per staff person basis.

#### JAIL INFORMATION:

Serving approximately 650-750 Jail inmates - 3 meals a day, 365 days per contractual year.

#### SPECIFIC CRITERIA:

- 1. Proposal should include a detailed escalation plan for conflict resolution. This plan should include the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses for individuals included in the plan.
- 2. The Williamson County Health Department will perform regular inspections of food and food facilities as a part of this contract. In the event that the Williamson County Health Department determines that the Vendor has had either repeated violations, major violations that have not been timely corrected, or required corrections that have not been corrected within the allowed time period, the contract will be subject to termination by the County. The Vendor will be required to provide a copy of each health inspection report to the County's contract administrator, within seven (7) days of receipt of the report.
- 3. Your entire proposal, if accepted for contract purposes, will become a part of the overall contract.

#### 4. Proposal Evaluation and Selection

Evaluation/Selection Criteria

All Proposals received by the designated date and time will be evaluated based on the proposer's Proposal. Other information may be taken into consideration when that information potentially provides an additional benefit to Williamson County, and further helps Williamson County in receiving the services listed in the RFP.

b. Evaluation Committee and Selection Process

All Proposals will be evaluated by a County appointed Evaluation Committee. The Evaluation Committee may be composed of County Staff that may have expertise, knowledge or experience with the services and/or goods being procured hereunder. Those proposers meeting all requirements and deemed most qualified may receive further evaluation via telephone or in-person interviews with members of the Evaluation Committee. The County will select a proposer determined best and most responsible Proposer meeting minimum specifications and qualifications.

Proposers are advised that the Evaluation Committee, at its option, may recommend an award strictly on the basis of the initial RFP responses, or in addition, may have interviews with firms to determine its final recommendation. The Evaluation Committee will present its recommendation to the Williamson County Commissioners Court for approval and award of contract.

Finalist shall be determined by the Proposer receiving the most points in relation to the following Evaluation Criteria and any further scoring that may be conducted based upon Proposer's presentation during the interview process:

Evaluation of the Proposals received will be based on the following criteria. Criteria must be met to be considered.

- 1. Price
- 2. References
- 3. Experience

- 4. Prior experience providing food service to inmates from an exterior location due to an inability to use interior jail kitchen facilities
- 5. Compliance with all proposal specifications

Williamson County reserves the right to award a contract for any or all areas of this RFP.

It is the responsibility of the Proposer to provide sufficient information/data in a convincing manner to the Evaluation Committee to assure all of the terms, conditions and expectations for satisfactory performance of the services requested herein will be met.

All contact during the evaluation phase shall be through the Williamson County Purchasing Department only. Successful Proposer shall neither contact nor lobby evaluators during the evaluation process. Attempts by Successful Proposer to contact and/or influence members of the Evaluation Committee may result in disqualification of Proposal.

The following assessment will be used by County representatives/evaluators in relation to each Proposer's response to the Criteria Items listed above. Each subsection will be scored as follows:

NAME: FOOD SERVICE FO	RFP#	
Evaluation Criteria:	Maximum Score Points	Scoring Methodology Please select a Whole Number from the list provided for each question. (Decimal scoring or unlisted rating scores are not permitted)
REFERENCES	10	10 = Significantly Exceeds Requirements 8 = Exceeds Requirements 6 = Meets ALL Requirements 4 = Marginally Meets Requirements 1 = Does not Meet Requirements
EXPERIENCE	10	10 = Significantly Exceeds Requirements 8 = Exceeds Requirements 6 = Meets ALL Requirements 4 = Marginally Meets Requirements 1 = Does not Meet Requirements
PRIOR EXPERIENCE PROVIDING FOOD SERVICE TO INMATES FROM AN EXTERIOR LOCATION DUE TO AN INABILITY TO USE INTERIOR JAIL KITCHEN FACILITIES	20	20 = Significantly Exceeds Requirements 16 = Exceeds Requirements 12 = Meets ALL Requirements 8 = Marginally Meets Requirements 1 = Does not Meet Requirements
COMPLIANCE OF PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS	20	20 = Significantly Exceeds Requirements 16 = Exceeds Requirements 12 = Meets ALL Requirements 8 = Marginally Meets Requirements 1 = Does not Meet Requirements
PRICE FOR JAIL INMATE MEALS	40	Point value calculation for price = Low bid divided by the bid then multiplied by the points (decimals allowed for this criteria only)
PRICE FOR JAIL STAFF MEALS (OPTIONAL)	5	Point value calculation for price = Low bid divided by the bid then multiplied by the points (decimals allowed for this criteria only)
<b>Total Evaluation Points</b>	105	Total

# JAIL INMATE FOOD SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY JAIL FACILITY

This Jail Inmate Food Service Contract for the Williamson County Jail (the "Contract") is between the vendor identified and set forth on the signature page below, hereinafter referred to as "Vendor" and Williamson County, Texas (the "County").

- 1. Vendor agrees to furnish all labor, equipment supplies and foodstuffs, except as provided herein, and to provide full food service for inmates of the Williamson County Jail (the "Jail").
- Vendor agrees to serve tasty, appetizing, wholesome quality food and to use a minimum twenty-one (21) day non-repetitive meal plan, including special menus for holidays and for medical reasons. All menus must be reviewed and approved by a bona fide registered dietician, to meet or exceed the dietary standards for adult inmates as required by all applicable statutes.
- 3. Vendor agrees to serve foodstuff at the proper temperatures for safe food service. Vendor further agrees to maintain foodstuff at the proper temperatures from the time the foodstuff is prepared until the actual time that the foodstuff is delivered to the inmate units.
- 4. Vendor agrees to provide meals to the inmates three (3) times per day, seven (7) days per week. Breakfast shall be served at 5:30 am, lunch shall be served at 11:30 am and dinner shall be served at 5:30 pm. Sack lunches will frequently be requested. The County reserves the right to change meal times at County's discretion. Vendor further agrees that the respective serving times represent the actual time of delivery to the inmates for consumption.
- 5. Except as otherwise set out herein, food for the Jail inmates shall be prepared in the Jail kitchen facility. During the term of the Contract, County intends to construct improvements to the Jail facility and such improvements will be made to the Jail kitchen during the construction. The Vendor must provide a provision for the preparation of meals outside the Jail kitchen facility during the construction on a temporary basis while the Jail kitchen facility is undergoing extensive renovations. The provision and preparation of meals outside of the Jail kitchen during construction may be provided by either mobile transport of meals to the Jail facilities or through the use of a temporary meal preparation facility provided by the Vendor. Any temporary kitchen may be located on the County's property within one city block of the Jail. Water and Wastewater hook ups will be provided during the operation of the temporary meal preparation facility.
- During construction on the Jail kitchen facilities and while Vendor prepares meals outside of the Jail kitchen, the Vendor must comply with all terms and conditions of this Contract in the same manner that is required when utilizing the Jail kitchen. Furthermore, the temporary preparation of meals outside of the Jail kitchen must include provisions for cleaning and sanitation as required by the Williamson County Health Department and in the same manner as is required for preparation of meals inside the Jail kitchen.
- 7. During construction on the Jail kitchen, meals must be delivered from the temporary facility or mobile transport to a secure area in the Jail, as directed by County Jail personnel. Inmate trustee labor will be available once the meals are delivered by the vendor to the interior secure area of the Jail. Inmate trustee labor will not be made available outside of the secured area of the Jail during the construction of the Jail kitchen.
- 8. Vendor shall provide the temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport for the duration of the Jail kitchen construction. The County currently estimates the Jail kitchen construction will take approximately 90-120 business days.

- 9. County agrees to pay Vendor on a unit cost of per meal per inmate fed as follows:
  - A. During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal/snack preparation facility or by mobile transport):
    - Per Person, Per <u>Regular Meal</u> (breakfast, lunch and dinner) During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport):
       ; and
    - 2. Per Person, Per <u>Dietary Snack</u> During Jail Kitchen Construction (snacks prepared in temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport): \$\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### B. During Use of Jail Kitchen:

- 1. Per Person, Per **Regular Meal** (breakfast, lunch and dinner), Per Day Meals Prepared in Jail Kitchen: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_; and
- 2. Per Person, Per <u>Dietary Snack</u> Snacks Prepared in Jail Kitchen:
- Vendor agrees to serve meals on insulated plastic trays and to distribute the meals to the individual inmates.
- 11. Vendor agrees to provide an on-site Food Service Manager who is trained, experienced, and knowledgeable of food services in detention facilities. The manager assigned will be subject to review by the Williamson County Sheriff or his agent.
- 12. Vendor agrees that all books and records of Vendor pertaining to meal preparation and delivery subject to this Contract shall be available for a period of thirty-six (36) months after the close of the County's fiscal year to which they pertain, for inspection and audit by representatives of the Texas Department of Human Resources, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and/or the U.S. General Accounting Office, at any reasonable time and place.
- 13. Vendor agrees to provide on-site employees, who are well trained, honest, reliable, and in uniform of a style and color to distinguish them from inmate workers, to successfully perform the requirements of providing food to the inmates.
- 14. Vendor agrees that all employees must have a valid food handler's certificate from the Health Department and that all costs associated with obtaining such certificate shall be borne by Vendor.
- 15. Vendor agrees that all employees shall be subject to background checks. Vendor agrees that background checks for each applicant for employment shall be performed prior to the extension of a job offer. The Williamson County Sheriff or his agent will perform checks. County shall retain the right to deny right of entry to any and all employees of Vendor.
- 16. Vendor agrees to provide ongoing in-service training to cover such areas as safety, sanitation and food handling to all employees and to any inmate workers provided.
- 17. Vendor agrees to properly and safely use and operate all electrical, gas and plumbing fixtures, equipment or appliances supplied by County or by Vendor.
- 18. Vendor agrees to maintain the entire food service and delivery areas, all silverware, utensils and equipment needed to prepare and serve meals in a clean and sanitary condition in compliance with all Federal, State and Local standards.

- 19. Vendor agrees to collect and dispose of all rubbish, garbage, litter or other waste in accordance with established policies of the Health Department.
- 20. Vendor agrees to submit a comprehensive, weekly invoice to the Williamson County Sheriff or his agent showing the number of meals actually served to inmates for the preceding week. This invoice shall be detailed so as to show how many inmates were provided food at each mealtime. This invoice is to be submitted each Monday of the month.

#### 21. Indemnification:

INDEMNIFICATION - EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, VENDOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS COUNTY, AND COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") AND SHALL ASSUME ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY (OTHER THAN AS A RESULT OF INDEMNITEES' GROSS NEGLIGENCE) FOR ANY CLAIM OR ACTION BASED ON OR ARISING OUT OF THE PERSONAL INJURY, OR DEATH, OF ANY EMPLOYEE OF VENDOR, OR OF ANY SUBCONTRACTOR, OR OF ANY OTHER ENTITY FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, WHICH OCCURRED OR WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED AT THE JAIL OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT. VENDOR HEREBY INDEMNIFIES THE INDEMNITEES EVEN TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH PERSONAL INJURY WAS CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE SOLE, COMPARATIVE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF THE STRICT LIABILITY OF ANY INDEMNIFIED PARTY. THIS INDEMNIFICATION SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO DAMAGES, COMPENSATION, OR BENEFITS PAYABLE UNDER INSURANCE POLICIES, WORKERS COMPENSATION ACTS, DISABILITY BENEFITS ACTS, OR OTHER EMPLOYEES BENEFIT ACTS.

INDEMNIFICATION - OTHER THAN EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, VENDOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS COUNTY, AND COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR ALLEGED TO BE RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT OR THE SERVICES DESCRIBED HEREIN, TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTS, ERRORS, OR OMISSIONS OF VENDOR OR ITS SUBCONTRACTORS, ANYONE EMPLOYED BY THEM OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT SUCH CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS OR EXPENSE IS CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY A PARTY INDEMNIFIED HEREUNDER.

- 22. Vendor agrees to provide County with proof of Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance of at least \$100,000.00 per each accident; Comprehensive General (public) Liability Insurance (which shall include premises, operation, independent contractors, personal injury, products, bodily injury) in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 per occurrence, property damages insurance in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 per occurrence.
- 23. Vendor agrees that Williamson County shall be named as an additional insured party, be provided with a waived subrogation, be provided with thirty (30) days advance written notice

- prior to cancellation or material change to said insurance, and be provided with certificates of insurance evidencing the above insurance.
- 24. Vendor agrees to provide to County a Surety Bond guaranteeing performance of all conditions of this contract in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), said bond to be forfeited in the event that Vendor fails to satisfactorily perform this Contract.
- 25. Vendor agrees to provide meal service to inmates at the agreed upon price, and acknowledges that due to conditions beyond control by the County, County facilities may not be available for Vendor's use at some point in time in the future.
- 26. Vendor agrees that the services to be provided, under this Contract, are vital to County and must be continued without interruption and that upon expiration of this Contract another vendor may be selected. Vendor agrees to furnish "phase-in" training and exercise its best efforts and cooperation to effectively have an orderly and efficient transition to a successor.
- 27. Vendor agrees that this Contract is not assignable without the express written consent of the Commissioner's Court of Williamson County. This Contract shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 28. County agrees to assist vendor in obtaining use of U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities in providing food service to inmates of the Williamson County Jail, however vendor shall assume all costs, both direct and indirect, in procuring such commodities and in complying with the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Texas Department of Human Resources and that all commodities received by Vendor shall be used only in accordance with the aforementioned rules and regulations, and for the benefit of County, and only in performance of this Contract. It is further agreed that Vendor shall be responsible for the proper disposition and removal of excess or stale dated commodities that have been obtained through the USDA surplus commodity program.
- 29. Except during construction on the Jail kitchen, County agrees to make available for vendors use the kitchen facilities, utensils, and equipment located in the County Jail at no cost for the performance of this Contract. County states, and Vendor understands, that this is only an accommodation to Vendor and that County makes no warranties, expressed or implied as to their availability, and Vendor acknowledges that vendor must have a contingency plan to provide food to the inmates in the event that County facilities are not available for his/her use. All equipment maintenance costs, including preventative maintenance costs, shall be borne by the Vendor. The County's maintenance department shall be notified of all necessary equipment maintenance, and vendor shall provide to the County Maintenance Supervisor, a schedule for preventative maintenance on all kitchen equipment owned by the County, and used by the Vendor.
- 30. County agrees to pay all utility costs for preparation of foodstuff, but under no circumstance will County reimburse Vendor for any utility costs if Vendor uses any other facilities for preparation of food other than a temporary food preparation facility that is located adjacent to the Jail during construction on the Jail kitchen.
- 31. County agrees to provide pest control for all areas within the Jail, including those areas utilized by Vendor in performance of this Contract, and to maintain adequate security of all food service areas during food service operations, and to provide clean uniforms for all inmate workers and to provide paper and plastic eating supplies as required.
- 32. County agrees to provide inmate trustees to assist in the food service to the greatest extent possible, but Vendor acknowledges that at times there may not be any inmate, trustees furnished. When inmate trustees are provided to assist in the food service, the trustees must be supervised by a County Licensed Correction Officer ONLY. As set out herein above and in

addition to the foregoing, inmate trustee labor will be available once the meals are delivered by the Vendor to the interior secure area of the Jail during construction on the Jail kitchen and inmate trustee labor will not be made available outside of the secured area of the Jail during the construction of the Jail kitchen.

- 33. Subject to the termination rights set out herein, this Contract between County and Vendor shall be in force from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2019 (the "Initial Term").
- 34. At the end of the Initial Term, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County reserves the right to extend this Contract for up to two (2) additional twelve (12) month extension terms, by mutual agreement of both parties, as it deems to be in the best interest of the County. The terms and conditions for any extension term shall remain the same with a price adjustment at renewal time for no more than the consumer price index, the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers (CPI-I), U.S. City Average, Food Away From Home Index, unadjusted, 12-months, as published by the US Department of Labor for that year. Such adjustments shall be calculated using the index for the month of December preceding the beginning of the new 12-month extension and shall be effective as to the new 12-month extension term provided same is approved in advance by the Commissioners Court of Williamson County. The total period of this Contract, including all extensions will not exceed a maximum combined period of sixty (60) months.
- 35. County reserves the right to terminate this Contract upon sixty (60) calendar day's written notice for its convenience, and for any termination County shall pay Vendor those costs directly attributable to work done or supplies obtained in preparation for completion or compliance with the Contract prior to such termination. In the event County pays for the cost of supplies or materials obtained for use under this Contract up to the effective date of termination, said supplies or materials shall become the property of Williamson County and shall be delivered to the Jail.
- 36. County and Vendor both agree that the Williamson County Commissioners Court shall be the sole and final authority on issues relating to this Contract. Should any matter not be resolved to the Vendor's satisfaction, Vendor shall have the right to be heard in open court by Commissioners Court and the decision of Commissioners Court shall be final and conclusive, and shall be binding on all parties concerned.
- 37. Vendor understands that to the extent that County provides equipment for preparation of food for inmates, such equipment, if used, shall be used for food preparation for County inmates only.

#### 38. Miscellaneous:

- a. If the party obligated to perform is prevented from performance by an act of war, order of legal authority, act of God, or other unavoidable cause not attributable to the fault or negligence of said party, the other party shall grant such party relief from the performance of this Contract. The burden of proof for the need of such relief shall rest upon the party obligated to perform. To obtain release based on force majeure, the party obligated to perform shall file a written request with the other party.
- b. If any provision of this Contract shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof, but rather this entire Contract will be construed as if not containing the particular invalid or unenforceable provision or provisions, and the rights and obligation of the parties shall be construed and enforced in accordance therewith. The parties acknowledge that if any provision of this Contract is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, it is the desire and intention of each that such provision be reformed and

construed in such a manner that it will, to the maximum extent practicable, give effect to the intent of this Contract and be deemed to be validated and enforceable.

- c. Each party to this Contract hereby agrees and acknowledges that venue and jurisdiction of any suit, right, or cause of action arising out of or in connection with this Contract shall lie exclusively in Williamson County, Texas, and the parties hereto expressly consent and submit to such jurisdiction. Furthermore, except to the extent that this Contract is governed by the laws of the United States, this Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, excluding, however, its choice of law rules.
- d. The parties to this Contract agree that during the performance of the services under this Contract they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The parties to this Contract will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- e. Any notice to be given hereunder shall be in writing and may be affected by personal delivery, in writing or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the proper party, at the following address:

County:	Williamson County Judge 710 Main Street, Ste. 101 Georgetown, Texas 78626
with copy to:	Williamson County Sheriff 508 S. Rock Street Georgetown, Texas 78626
Vendor:	

- f. Each party to this Contract shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of this Contract, including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation laws, salary and wage statutes and regulations, licensing laws and regulations. When required, Vendor shall furnish the County with certification of compliance with said laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees above specified.
- g. Each party to this Contract acknowledges that it and its counsel have reviewed this Contract and that the normal rules of construction are not applicable and there will be no presumption that any ambiguities will be resolved against the drafting party in the interpretation of this Contract.
- h. Each party to this Contract, in the performance of this Contract, shall act in an individual capacity and not as agents, employees, partners, joint ventures or associates of one another. The employees or agents of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employees or agents of the other party for any purposes whatsoever.

- i. Nothing in this Contract shall be deemed to waive, modify or amend any legal defense available at law or in equity to County, its past or present officers, employees, or agents, nor to create any legal rights or claim on behalf of any third party. County does not waive, modify, or alter to any extent whatsoever the availability of the defense of governmental immunity under the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States.
- j. The failure or delay of any party to enforce at any time or any period of time any of the provisions of this Contract shall not constitute a present or future waiver of such provisions nor the right of either party to enforce each and every provision. Furthermore, no term or provision hereof shall be deemed waived and no breach excused unless such waiver or consent shall be in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived or consented. Any consent by any party to, or waiver of, a breach by the other, whether expressed or implied, shall not constitute a consent to, waiver of or excuse for any other, different or subsequent breach.
- k. Vendor agrees that County or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Contract, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of Vendor which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Vendor agrees that County shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary Vendor facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. County shall give Vendor reasonable advance notice of intended audits.
- I. The obligations of the Parties under this Contract do not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of either Party for which such Party is obligated to levy, pledge, or collect any form of taxation. It is understood and agreed that County shall have the right to terminate this Contract at the end of any County fiscal year if the governing body of County does not appropriate sufficient funds as determined by County's budget for the fiscal year in question. County may effect such termination by giving written notice of termination at the end of its then-current fiscal year.
- m. County's payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. Invoices shall be paid by County within thirty (30) days from the date of the Williamson County Auditor's receipt of an invoice. Interest charges for any late payments shall be paid by County in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. More specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of County's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday. In the event that a discrepancy arises in relation to an invoice, such as an incorrect amount on an invoice or a lack of documentation that is required to be attached to an invoice to evidence the amount claimed to be due, County shall notify Vendor of the discrepancy. Following County's notification of any discrepancy as to an invoice, Vendor must resolve the discrepancy and resubmit a corrected or revised invoice, which includes all required support documentation, to the Williamson County Auditor. County shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) days from the date of the Williamson County Auditor's receipt of the corrected or revised invoice. County's payment of an invoice that contains a discrepancy shall not be considered late, nor shall any interest begin to accrue until the thirty-first (31st) day following the Williamson County Auditor's receipt of the corrected or revised invoice.
- n. The parties to this Contract each represent and warrant to the other party that the warranting party possesses the legal authority to enter into this Contract and that it has taken all actions necessary to exercise that authority and to lawfully authorize its

undersigned signatory to execute this Contract and to bind such party to its terms. Each person executing this Contract on behalf of a party warrants that he or she is duly authorized to enter into this Contract on behalf of such party and to bind it to the terms hereof.

- o. As a duly authorized representative of Vendor, I acknowledge by my signature below that I have read and understand the above paragraphs and that Vendor has the obligation to ensure compliance with its provisions by itself and its employees, agents, and representatives.
- p. This Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either oral or written. This Contract may be amended only by written instrument signed by each party to this Contract. NO OFFICIAL, EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY HAS ANY AUTHORITY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, TO AMEND THIS AGREEMENT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO SUCH EXPRESS AUTHORITY AS MAY BE GRANTED BY THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

SIGNED to be effective the 1st DAY OF JULY, 2016.

Williamson County, Texas (County):		
JUDGE DAN GATTIS WILLIAMSON COUNTY JUDGE		
Vendor:		
By:		
Printed Name:		
Title		

## JAIL INMATE AND STAFF FOOD SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY JAIL FACILITY

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- Vendor agrees to serve tasty, appetizing, wholesome quality food and to use a minimum twenty-one (21) day non-repetitive Jail inmate meal plan, including special menus for holidays and for medical reasons. All Jail inmate menus must be reviewed and approved by a bona fide registered dietician, to meet or exceed the dietary standards for adult inmates as required by all applicable statutes.
- 3. Vendor agrees to provide meals to the inmates three (3) times per day, seven (7) days per week. Breakfast shall be served at 5:30 am, lunch shall be served at 11:30 am and dinner shall be served at 5:30 pm. Sack lunches will frequently be requested. The County reserves the right to change Jail inmate meal times at County's discretion. Vendor further agrees that the respective serving times represent the actual time of delivery to the inmates for consumption.
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- 5. During construction on the Jail kitchen facilities and while Vendor prepares meals outside of the Jail kitchen, the Vendor must comply with all terms and

conditions of this Contract in the same manner that is required when utilizing the Jail kitchen. Furthermore, the temporary preparation of meals outside of the Jail kitchen must include provisions for cleaning and sanitation as required by the Williamson County Health Department and in the same manner as is required for preparation of meals inside the Jail kitchen.

- 6. During construction on the Jail kitchen, meals must be delivered from the temporary facility or mobile transport to a secure area in the Jail, as directed by County Jail management. Inmate trustee labor for Jail inmate food service will be available once the meals are delivered by the vendor to the interior secure area of the Jail. Inmate trustee labor for Jail inmate food service will not be made available outside of the secured area of the Jail during the construction of the Jail kitchen. Also, Inmate trustee labor for Jail staff food service will not be available once the meals are delivered by the vendor to the interior secure area of the Jail and Vendor must provide for delivery of such Jail staff food service to the Jail's Officer Dining Room ("ODR").
- 7. Vendor shall provide the temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport for the duration of the Jail kitchen construction. The County currently estimates the Jail kitchen construction will take approximately 90-120 business days.
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  - a. During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal/snack preparation facility or by mobile transport):
    - 1. Per Inmate, Per <u>Regular Meal</u> (breakfast, lunch and dinner) During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport): \$\_\_\_\_\_; and
    - 2. Per Inmate, Per <u>Dietary Snack</u> During Jail Kitchen Construction (snacks prepared in temporary meal preparation facility or by mobile transport): \$
  - b. During Use of Jail Kitchen:
    - 1. Per Inmate, Per <u>Regular Meal</u> (breakfast, lunch and dinner), Per Day Meals Prepared in Jail Kitchen: \$ ; and
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- 9. Vendor agrees to serve Jail inmate meals on insulated plastic trays and to distribute the meals to the individual inmates.

- 10. As referenced herein-above, the Jail maintains a separate Officer Dining Room ("ODR") available seven (7) days per week where Jail staff can purchase meals, sandwiches, and snacks during hours of operation. Vendor agrees to provide, for purchase by Jail staff, the type and grade of food typically served in governmental employee cafeterias with slightly larger portions and offer additional condiments than those provided to Jail inmates. Inmate labor shall not be used to prepare or distribute Jail staff meals. Vendor shall provide separate serving plates, utensils and storage for Jail staff prepared meals. Meals prepared for Jail staff shall be made available for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Vendor agrees to work in cooperation with Jail management in determining the times during each day that Jail staff meals will be made available for purchase at the ODR. The County reserves the right to determine and change times when Jail staff meals will be provided and made available for purchase by Jail staff at the ODR.
- 11. Williamson County will not collect or be invoiced for Jail staff meals. Payment for Jail staff meals must be collected from Jail staff at time of purchase. Payment and collection of Jail staff meal costs shall be solely the responsibility of the Jail staff and Vendor pursuant to any applicable policies of the Williamson County Sheriff's Office, Auditor, or Commissioners Court. Vendor agrees to charge the following unit cost per Jail staff meal:
  - a. Jail Staff Per Regular Meal (breakfast, lunch and dinner) During Jail Kitchen Construction (temporary meal/snack preparation facility or by mobile transport): \$\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Jail Staff Per Regular Meal (breakfast, lunch and dinner) During Use of Jail Kitchen: \$
- 12. Vendor agrees to serve foodstuff at the proper temperatures for safe food service. Vendor further agrees to maintain foodstuff at the proper temperatures from the time the foodstuff is prepared until the actual time that the foodstuff is delivered to the inmate units and to the ODR.
- 13. Vendor agrees to provide an on-site Food Service Manager who is trained, experienced, and knowledgeable of food services in detention facilities. The manager assigned will be subject to review by the Williamson County Sheriff or his agent.
- 14. Vendor agrees that all books and records of Vendor pertaining to meal preparation and delivery subject to this Contract shall be available for a period of thirty-six (36) months after the close of the County's fiscal year to which they pertain, for inspection and audit by representatives of the Texas Department of Human Resources, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and/or the U.S. General Accounting Office, at any reasonable time and place.

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- 18. Vendor agrees that all employees shall be subject to background checks. Vendor agrees that background checks for each applicant for employment shall be performed prior to the extension of a job offer. The Williamson County Sheriff or his agent will perform checks. County shall retain the right to deny right of entry to any and all employees of Vendor.
- Vendor agrees to provide ongoing in-service training to cover such areas as safety, sanitation and food handling to all employees and to any inmate workers provided.
- 20. Vendor agrees to properly and safely use and operate all electrical, gas and plumbing fixtures, equipment or appliances supplied by County or by Vendor.
- 21. Vendor agrees to maintain the entire food service and delivery areas, all silverware, utensils and equipment needed to prepare and serve meals in a clean and sanitary condition in compliance with all Federal, State and Local standards.
- 22. Vendor agrees to collect and dispose of all rubbish, garbage, litter or other waste in accordance with established policies of the Health Department.
- 23. Vendor agrees to submit a comprehensive, weekly invoice to the Williamson County Sheriff or his agent showing the number of Jail inmate meals actually served to inmates for the preceding week. This invoice shall be detailed so as to show how many inmates were provided food at each mealtime. This invoice is to be submitted each Monday of the month.

## 24. Indemnification:

INDEMNIFICATION - EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, VENDOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS COUNTY, AND COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") AND SHALL ASSUME ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY (OTHER THAN AS A RESULT OF INDEMNITEES' GROSS NEGLIGENCE) FOR ANY CLAIM OR ACTION BASED ON OR ARISING OUT OF THE PERSONAL INJURY, OR DEATH, OF ANY EMPLOYEE OF

VENDOR, OR OF ANY SUBCONTRACTOR, OR OF ANY OTHER ENTITY FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, WHICH OCCURRED OR WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED AT THE JAIL OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT. VENDOR HEREBY INDEMNIFIES THE INDEMNITEES EVEN TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH PERSONAL INJURY WAS CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE SOLE, COMPARATIVE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF THE STRICT LIABILITY OF ANY INDEMNIFIED PARTY. THIS INDEMNIFICATION SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO DAMAGES, COMPENSATION, OR BENEFITS PAYABLE UNDER INSURANCE POLICIES, WORKERS COMPENSATION ACTS, DISABILITY BENEFITS ACTS, OR OTHER EMPLOYEES BENEFIT ACTS.

INDEMNIFICATION - OTHER THAN EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, VENDOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS COUNTY, AND COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR ALLEGED TO BE RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT OR THE SERVICES DESCRIBED HEREIN, TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTS, ERRORS, OR OMISSIONS OF VENDOR OR ITS SUBCONTRACTORS, ANYONE EMPLOYED BY THEM OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT SUCH CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS OR EXPENSE IS CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY A PARTY INDEMNIFIED HEREUNDER.

- 25. Vendor agrees to provide County with proof of Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance of at least \$100,000.00 per each accident; Comprehensive General (public) Liability Insurance (which shall include premises, operation, independent contractors, personal injury, products, bodily injury) in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 per occurrence, property damages insurance in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 per occurrence.
- Vendor agrees that Williamson County shall be named as an additional insured party, be provided with a waived subrogation, be provided with thirty (30) days advance written notice prior to cancellation or material change to said insurance, and be provided with certificates of insurance evidencing the above insurance.
- 27. Vendor agrees to provide to County a Surety Bond guaranteeing performance of all conditions of this Contract in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), said bond to be forfeited in the event that Vendor fails to satisfactorily perform this Contract.
- 28. Vendor agrees to provide Jail inmate meal service to inmates and Jail staff meals at the agreed upon price, and acknowledges that due to conditions beyond control by the County, County facilities may not be available for Vendor's use at some point in time in the future.

- 29. Vendor agrees that the services to be provided, under this Contract, are vital to County and must be continued without interruption and that upon expiration of this Contract another vendor may be selected. Vendor agrees to furnish "phase-in" training and exercise its best efforts and cooperation to effectively have an orderly and efficient transition to a successor.
- 30. Vendor agrees that this Contract is not assignable without the express written consent of the Commissioner's Court of Williamson County. This Contract shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 31. When applicable, County agrees to assist Vendor in obtaining use of U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities in providing food service to inmates of the Williamson County Jail, however Vendor shall assume all costs, both direct and indirect, in procuring such commodities and in complying with the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Texas Department of Human Resources and that all commodities received by Vendor shall be used only in accordance with the aforementioned rules and regulations, and for the benefit of County, and only in performance of this Contract. It is further agreed that Vendor shall be responsible for the proper disposition and removal of excess or stale dated commodities that have been obtained through the USDA surplus commodity program.
- 32. Except during construction on the Jail kitchen, County agrees to make available for vendors use the kitchen facilities, utensils, and equipment located in the County Jail at no cost for the performance of this Contract. Except as otherwise provided herein, County states, and Vendor understands, that this is only an accommodation to Vendor and that County makes no warranties, expressed or implied, as to their availability, and Vendor acknowledges that Vendor must have a contingency plan to provide food to the inmates in the event that County facilities are not available for his/her use. All equipment maintenance costs, including preventative maintenance costs, shall be borne by the Vendor. The County's maintenance department shall be notified of all necessary equipment maintenance, and vendor shall provide to the County Maintenance Supervisor, a schedule for preventative maintenance on all kitchen equipment owned by the County, and used by the Vendor.
- 33. County agrees to pay all utility costs for preparation of foodstuff, but under no circumstance will County reimburse Vendor for any utility costs if Vendor uses any other facilities for preparation of food other than a temporary food preparation facility that is located adjacent to the Jail during construction on the Jail kitchen.
- 34. County agrees to provide pest control for all areas within the Jail, including those areas utilized by Vendor in performance of this Contract, and to maintain adequate security of all food service areas during food service operations, and

- to provide clean uniforms for all inmate workers and to provide paper and plastic eating supplies as required.
- 35. County agrees to provide inmate trustees to assist in the Jail inmate food service to the greatest extent possible, but Vendor acknowledges that at times there may not be any inmate, trustees furnished. When inmate trustees are provided to assist in the Jail inmate food service, the trustees must be supervised by a County Licensed Correction Officer ONLY. As set out herein above and in addition to the foregoing, inmate trustee labor will be available once the Jail inmate meals are delivered by the Vendor to the interior secure area of the Jail during construction on the Jail kitchen and inmate trustee labor will not be made available outside of the secured area of the Jail during the construction of the Jail kitchen.
- 36. Subject to the termination rights set out herein, this Contract between County and Vendor shall be in force from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2019 (the "Initial Term").
- 37. At the end of the Initial Term, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County reserves the right to extend this Contract for up to two (2) additional twelve (12) month extension terms, by mutual agreement of both parties, as it deems to be in the best interest of the County. The terms and conditions for any extension term shall remain the same with a price adjustment at renewal time for no more than the consumer price index, the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers (CPI-I), U.S. City Average, Food Away From Home Index, unadjusted, 12-months, as published by the US Department of Labor for that year. Such adjustments shall be calculated using the index for the month of December preceding the beginning of the new 12-month extension and shall be effective as to the new 12-month extension term provided same is approved in advance by the Commissioners Court of Williamson County. The total period of this Contract, including all extensions will not exceed a maximum combined period of sixty (60) months.
- 38. County reserves the right to terminate this Contract upon sixty (60) calendar day's written notice for its convenience, and for any termination County shall pay Vendor those costs directly attributable to work done or supplies obtained in preparation for completion or compliance with the Contract prior to such termination. In the event County pays for the cost of supplies or materials obtained for use under this Contract up to the effective date of termination, said supplies or materials shall become the property of Williamson County and shall be delivered to the Jail.
- 39. County and Vendor both agree that the Williamson County Commissioners Court shall be the sole and final authority on issues relating to this Contract. Should any matter not be resolved to the Vendor's satisfaction, Vendor shall have the right to be heard in open court by Commissioners Court and the

- decision of Commissioners Court shall be final and conclusive, and shall be binding on all parties concerned.
- 40. Vendor understands that to the extent that County provides equipment for preparation of food for inmates, such equipment, if used, shall be used for food preparation for County inmates and Jail staff only.

## 41. Miscellaneous:

- a. If the party obligated to perform is prevented from performance by an act of war, order of legal authority, act of God, or other unavoidable cause not attributable to the fault or negligence of said party, the other party shall grant such party relief from the performance of this Contract. The burden of proof for the need of such relief shall rest upon the party obligated to perform. To obtain release based on force majeure, the party obligated to perform shall file a written request with the other party.
- b. If any provision of this Contract shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof, but rather this entire Contract will be construed as if not containing the particular invalid or unenforceable provision or provisions, and the rights and obligation of the parties shall be construed and enforced in accordance therewith. The parties acknowledge that if any provision of this Contract is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, it is the desire and intention of each that such provision be reformed and construed in such a manner that it will, to the maximum extent practicable, give effect to the intent of this Contract and be deemed to be validated and enforceable.
- c. Each party to this Contract hereby agrees and acknowledges that venue and jurisdiction of any suit, right, or cause of action arising out of or in connection with this Contract shall lie exclusively in Williamson County, Texas, and the parties hereto expressly consent and submit to such jurisdiction. Furthermore, except to the extent that this Contract is governed by the laws of the United States, this Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, excluding, however, its choice of law rules.
- d. The parties to this Contract agree that during the performance of the services under this Contract they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The parties to this Contract will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

e. Any notice to be given hereunder shall be in writing and may be affected by personal delivery, in writing or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the proper party, at the following address:

County: Williamson County Judge

710 Main Street, Ste. 101 Georgetown, Texas 78626

with copy to: Williamson County Sheriff

508 S. Rock Street

Georgetown, Texas 78626

Vendor:	

- f. Each party to this Contract shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of this Contract, including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation laws, salary and wage statutes and regulations, licensing laws and regulations. When required, Vendor shall furnish the County with certification of compliance with said laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees above specified.
- g. Each party to this Contract acknowledges that it and its counsel have reviewed this Contract and that the normal rules of construction are not applicable and there will be no presumption that any ambiguities will be resolved against the drafting party in the interpretation of this Contract.
- h. Each party to this Contract, in the performance of this Contract, shall act in an individual capacity and not as agents, employees, partners, joint ventures or associates of one another. The employees or agents of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employees or agents of the other party for any purposes whatsoever.
- i. Nothing in this Contract shall be deemed to waive, modify or amend any legal defense available at law or in equity to County, its past or present officers, employees, or agents, nor to create any legal rights or claim on behalf of any third party. County does not waive, modify, or alter to any extent whatsoever the availability of the defense of governmental immunity under the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States.

- j. The failure or delay of any party to enforce at any time or any period of time any of the provisions of this Contract shall not constitute a present or future waiver of such provisions nor the right of either party to enforce each and every provision. Furthermore, no term or provision hereof shall be deemed waived and no breach excused unless such waiver or consent shall be in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived or consented. Any consent by any party to, or waiver of, a breach by the other, whether expressed or implied, shall not constitute a consent to, waiver of or excuse for any other, different or subsequent breach.
- k. Vendor agrees that County or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Contract, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of Vendor which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Vendor agrees that County shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary Vendor facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. County shall give Vendor reasonable advance notice of intended audits.
- I. The obligations of the Parties under this Contract do not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of either Party for which such Party is obligated to levy, pledge, or collect any form of taxation. It is understood and agreed that County shall have the right to terminate this Contract at the end of any County fiscal year if the governing body of County does not appropriate sufficient funds as determined by County's budget for the fiscal year in question. County may effect such termination by giving written notice of termination at the end of its then-current fiscal year.
- County's payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 m. of the Texas Government Code. Invoices shall be paid by County within thirty (30) days from the date of the Williamson County Auditor's receipt of an invoice. Interest charges for any late payments shall be paid by County in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of County's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday. In the event that a discrepancy arises in relation to an invoice, such as an incorrect amount on an invoice or a lack of documentation that is required to be attached to an invoice to evidence the amount claimed to be due. County shall notify Vendor of the discrepancy. Following County's notification of any discrepancy as to an invoice, Vendor must resolve the discrepancy and resubmit a corrected or revised invoice, which includes all required support documentation, to the Williamson County Auditor. County shall pay the invoice

within thirty (30) days from the date of the Williamson County Auditor's receipt of the corrected or revised invoice. County's payment of an invoice that contains a discrepancy shall not be considered late, nor shall any interest begin to accrue until the thirty-first (31st) day following the Williamson County Auditor's receipt of the corrected or revised invoice.

- n. The parties to this Contract each represent and warrant to the other party that the warranting party possesses the legal authority to enter into this Contract and that it has taken all actions necessary to exercise that authority and to lawfully authorize its undersigned signatory to execute this Contract and to bind such party to its terms. Each person executing this Contract on behalf of a party warrants that he or she is duly authorized to enter into this Contract on behalf of such party and to bind it to the terms hereof.
- o. As a duly authorized representative of Vendor, I acknowledge by my signature below that I have read and understand the above paragraphs and that Vendor has the obligation to ensure compliance with its provisions by itself and its employees, agents, and representatives.
- p. This Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either oral or written. This Contract may be amended only by written instrument signed by each party to this Contract. NO OFFICIAL, EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY HAS ANY AUTHORITY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, TO AMEND THIS AGREEMENT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO SUCH EXPRESS AUTHORITY AS MAY BE GRANTED BY THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

SIGNED to be effective the 1st Day of July, 2016.

Williamson County, Texas (County):		
JUDGE DAN GATTIS WILLIAMSON COUNTY JUDGE		
Vendor:		
By:		
Printed Name:		
Title:		

## Question and Answers for Bid #1605-081 - Food Services for Williamson County Jail

**Overall Bid Questions** 

There are no questions associated with this bid.