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<https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/finance/purchasing/requests-for-bid-and-proposal/>

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP #21-0058

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM SERVICES FOR AGING (SCDOA)

August 25, 2021

Sedgwick County, Kansas (hereinafter referred to as “county”) is seeking a company or companies to provide contractual rides for Sedgwick County Department on Aging. If your company is interested in submitting a response, please do so in accordance with the instructions contained within the attached Request for Proposal. Responses are due no later than **1:45 pm CDT, Tuesday, September 14, 2021.**

All contact concerning this solicitation shall be made through the Purchasing Section. Bidders shall not contact county employees, department heads, using agencies, evaluation committee members or elected officials with questions or any other concerns about the solicitation. Questions, clarifications and concerns shall be submitted to the Purchasing Section in writing. Failure to comply with these guidelines may disqualify the Bidder’s response.

Sincerely,

Britt Rosencutter

Purchasing Agent

BR/lj

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I. About this Document

This document is a Request for Proposal. It differs from a Request for Bid or Quotation in that the county is seeking a solution, as described on the cover page and in the following Background Information section, not a bid or quotation meeting firm specifications for the lowest price. As such, the lowest price proposed will not guarantee an award recommendation. As defined in Charter Resolution No. 68, Competitive Sealed Proposals will be evaluated based upon criteria formulated around the most important features of the product(s) and/or service(s), of which quality, testing, references, service, availability or capability, may be overriding factors, and price may not be determinative in the issuance of a contract or award. The proposal evaluation criteria should be viewed as standards that measure how well a vendor's approach meets the desired requirements and needs of the county. Criteria that will be used and considered in evaluation for award are set forth in this document. The county will thoroughly review all proposals received. The county will also utilize its best judgment when determining whether to schedule a pre-proposal conference, before proposals are accepted, or meetings with vendors, after receipt of all proposals. A Purchase Order/Contract will be awarded to a qualified vendor submitting the best proposal. **Sedgwick County reserves the right to select, and subsequently recommend for award, the proposed service(s) and/or product(s) which best meets its required needs, quality levels and budget constraints.**

The nature of this work is for a public entity and will require the expenditure of public funds and/or use of public facilities, therefore the successful proposer will understand that portions (potentially all) of their proposal may become public record at any time after receipt of proposals. Proposal responses, purchase orders and final contracts are subject to public disclosure after award. All confidential or proprietary information should be clearly denoted in proposal responses and responders should understand this information will be considered prior to release, however no guarantee is made that information will be withheld from public view.

II. Background

Sedgwick County, located in south-central Kansas, is one of the most populous of Kansas' 105 counties with a population estimated at more than 514,000 persons. It is the sixteenth largest in area, with 1,008 square miles, and reportedly has the second highest per capita wealth among Kansas' counties. Organizationally, the county is a Commission/Manager entity, employs nearly 2,500 persons, and hosts or provides a full range of municipal services, e.g. – public safety, public works, criminal justice, recreation, entertainment, cultural, human/social, and education.

The target population for the contractual transit services for this program are citizens residing in Sedgwick County. Funding is used to meet customer demand in the Sedgwick County Transportation (SCT) service area during high demand times, when SCT services are at capacity or otherwise unavailable.

III. Project Objectives

Sedgwick County, Kansas (hereinafter referred to as "county") is seeking a company or companies to provide contractual rides for Sedgwick County Department on Aging. The following objectives have been identified for this contract:

1. Acquire Transportation Services meeting the parameters, conditions and mandatory requirements presented in the document.
2. Establish contract pricing with the vendor(s) that has the best-proven "track-record" in performance, service and customer satisfaction.
3. Acquire Transportation Services with the most advantageous overall cost to the County.

IV. Submittals

Carefully review this Request for Proposal. It provides specific technical information necessary to aid participating companies in formulating a thorough response. Should you elect to participate, submit one (1) original **AND** one (1) electronic copy (.PDF/Word supplied on a flash drive) of the entire document with any supplementary materials to:

Britt Rosencutter
Sedgwick County Purchasing Section
525 N. Main, Suite 823
Wichita, KS 67203

SUBMITTALS are due **NO LATER THAN 1:45 pm CDT, Tuesday, September 14, 2021**. Responses must be sealed and marked on the lower left-hand corner with the company name and address, proposal number, and proposal due date. Late or incomplete responses will not be accepted and will not receive consideration for final award.

Proposal responses will be acknowledged and read into record at bid opening which will occur at 2:00 p.m. CDT, on the due date. No information other than the respondent's name will be disclosed at bid opening.

V. Scope of Work

Contractor shall provide origin to destination transportation services to Sedgwick County Transportation (SCT) passengers. SCT is seeking multiple providers to contract with that currently do or can in the future meet the following requirements.

- A. All rides must have prior authorization by SCT. Rides scheduled with the Contractor that do not receive prior authorization are subject to denial of payment.
- B. SCT customers shall be given priority service.
- C. SCT may adjust trip assignments based on passenger's needs, Contractor availability, or other unforeseen factors.
- D. Contractor shall ensure that:
 1. Passengers are picked up no later than 20 minutes after requested pick up time. If this is not possible, Contractor must notify SCT immediately.
 2. A backup system is in place and rides are managed in such a way that no SCT passenger is left without a ride.
- E. Contractor shall be able to transport riders that have a Personal Care Attendant (PCA) and/or guest(s) up to three (3) along with the assigned passenger. Manifest will reflect in the Comments a +1, +2 or +3. Should a passenger have a PCA or guest(s) with them and was not identified on the manifest with a +1, etc., Contractor is to contact SCT immediately to inform SCT of the additional rider(s) and whether they may proceed with the transport of the additional person(s) should vehicle capacity be available.
- F. Contractor shall comply with all policies and procedures set forth by SCT, and train staff on the SCT Driver Assistance Guidelines and the passengers Rules of Conduct. SCT passengers are not to be provided hands on or lifting assistance of a passenger, but may lend an arm for steadiness to and from the vehicle; assistance with manual wheeled mobility device to and from the vehicle, but not beyond the threshold of any structure or facility. Bags and/or packages are not to be carried beyond the threshold of a structure or facility.
- G. Contractor shall provide dates of a Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) criminal background check performed within the last three (3) or less for each driver
- H. Contractor shall provide Kansas Department of Motor Vehicle driving record check on each driver within the last three (3) years.
- I. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires by law that in order to receive FTA Section 5311 or 5310 reimbursement for transportation; the Contractor must have a valid drug and alcohol testing program or a contract with recognized drug and alcohol agency, such as Compliance One. All safety-sensitive employees per FTA regulations are required to be in a FTA drug and alcohol testing pool and tests must be performed according to Federal Transit Administration drug and alcohol guidelines. For a new driver or drivers that have not been in an FTA Drug and Alcohol pool, a pre-employment drug screening is required. Noncompliance with participation in a drug and alcohol testing pool will result in nonpayment of 5311 or 5310 funded transportation services.

- J. Contractor must provide proof in driver's personnel file of annual United States Department of Transportation (DOT) driver physical performed by a physician that can administer this type of driver's physical, if they meet the definition for required DOT physicals.
- K. A new Contractor shall attend a one-time Contractor training session on customer service, passenger assistance, and billing procedures provided by SCT.
- L. Contractor shall provide Certificate of Insurance to SCT as proof of insurance coverage at levels described herein and shall place county as additional insured including for ongoing and completed operations with respect to General Liability, Auto Liability and/or Umbrella Liability.
- M. Contractor shall perform preventive maintenance on all vehicles per OEM and have an annual vehicle inspection by an ASE certified (or equivalent) mechanic, Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) inspector, or City of Wichita inspector on each of Contractor's vehicles. If inspected by an ASE certified (or equivalent) mechanic, SCT's Annual Vehicle Mechanical & Safety Inspection Report, dated May 2018, shall be completed and submitted; if inspected by a KDOT inspector or City of Wichita inspector, KDOT's or City of Wichita's completed form(s) shall be copied and submitted in place of SCT vehicle inspection form.
- N. Contractor shall label vehicle(s) and identify Contractor's name and phone number on exterior of vehicle with lettering and numbers at least 4" high. May be in form of magnet signs, vehicle wraps or decals.

VI. Sedgwick County's Responsibilities

- Provide information, as legally allowed, in possession of the county, which relates to the county's requirements or which is relevant to this project.
- Designate a person to act as the County Contract Manager with respect to the work to be performed under this contract.
- County reserves the right to make inspections at various points of the project. Contractor agrees to openly participate in said inspections and provide information to the county on the progress, expected completion date and any unforeseen or unexpected complications in the project.

VII. Proposal Terms

A. Questions and Contact Information

Any questions regarding this document must be submitted in writing to Britt Rosencutter at britt.rosencutter@sedgwick.gov by 5:00 pm CDT, Friday, September 3, 2021. Any questions of a substantive nature will be answered in written form as an addendum and posted on the purchasing website at <https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/finance/purchasing/requests-for-bid-and-proposal/> under the Documents column associated with this RFP number by 5:00 pm CDT, Tuesday, September 7, 2021. Companies are responsible for checking the website and acknowledging any addenda on their proposal response form.

B. Minimum Company Qualifications

This section lists the criteria to be considered in evaluating the ability of companies interested in providing the service specified in this Request for Proposal. Companies must meet or exceed these qualifications to be considered for award. Any exceptions to the requirements listed should be clearly detailed in proposer's response. Proposers shall:

1. Have a minimum of three (3) years of experience in providing services similar to those specified in this RFP.
2. Have knowledge of and comply with all currently applicable, and as they become enacted during the contract term, federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations. All laws of the State of Kansas, whether substantive or procedural, shall apply to the contract, and all statutory, charter, and ordinance provisions that are applicable to public contracts in the county shall be followed with respect to the contract.
3. Municipal and county government experience is desired, however, the county will make the final determination based on responses received and the evaluation process.
4. Have the capacity to acquire all bonds, escrows or insurances as outlined in the terms of this RFP.
5. Have appropriate material, equipment and labor to perform specified services.

C. [Evaluation Criteria](#)

The selection process will be based on the responses to this RFP. County staff will judge each response as determined by the scoring criteria below. Purchasing staff are not a part of the evaluation committee.

Component	Points
A. Capability to serve non-ambulatory riders.	20
B. Experience providing similar services for other entities.	20
C. Fleet inspection: Unit Condition Ratings of “Average” or better within most recent past 12 months.	20
D. Service Availability (area and hours of operation)	20
E. References	20
Total Points	100

The county reserves the right to reject all proposals. All proposals, including supporting documentation shall become the property of Sedgwick County. All costs incurred in the preparation of this proposal shall be the responsibility of the company making the proposals. Sedgwick County reserves the right to select, and subsequently recommend for award, the proposed service, which best meets, its required needs, quality levels and budget constraints.

D. [Request for Proposal Timeline](#)

The following dates are provided for information purposes and are subject to change without notice. Contact the Purchasing Section at (316) 660-7255 to confirm any and all dates.

Distribution of Request for Proposal to interested parties	Tuesday, August 24, 2021
Questions and clarifications submitted in writing by 5:00 pm CDT	Friday, September 3, 2021
Addendum Issued	Tuesday, September 7, 2021
Sealed Proposal due before 1:45 pm CDT	Tuesday, September 14, 2021
Evaluation Period	Sept 14 through Sept 28
Board of Bids and Contracts Recommendation	Thursday, October 7, 2021
Board of County Commission Award	Wednesday, October 13, 2021

E. [Contract Period and Payment Terms](#)

A contractual period will begin upon Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approval of the successful firm(s) and continue through December 31, 2022, with options for renewal the following three (3) years.

Either party may cancel its obligations herein upon thirty-day (30) prior written notice to the other party. It is understood that funding may cease or be reduced at any time, and in the event that adequate funds are not available to meet the obligations hereunder, either party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other. Payment will be remitted following receipt of monthly detailed invoice.

Payment and Invoice Provisions: Use invoice created/provided by SCT program and submit to SCT program for review/validation and payment processing.

F. [Insurance Requirements](#)

Liability insurance coverage indicated below must be considered as primary and not as excess insurance. Contractor shall furnish a certificate evidencing such coverage, with county listed as an additional insured for automobile and general liability (if applicable). **Certificate shall be provided prior to award of contract.** Certificate shall remain in force during the duration of the project/services and will not be canceled, reduced, modified, limited, or restricted until thirty (30) days after county receives written notice of such change. All insurance must be with an insurance company, with a minimum BEST rating of A-VIII and licensed to do business in the State of Kansas (**must be acknowledged on the bid/proposal response form**).

NOTE: If any insurance is subject to a deductible or self-insured retention, written disclosure must be included in your proposal response and also be noted on the certificate of insurance.

It is the responsibility of contractor to require that any and all approved subcontractors meet the minimum insurance requirements.

REQUIRED	
Automobile Liability:	
Combined single limit	\$300,000.00
Workers' Compensation:	
<i>If Contractor has employees: Applicable coverage per State Statute</i>	
<i>If Contractor does not have employees: Contractor and any Independent Contractors of Contractor must fill out the "Sedgwick County Mandatory Independent Contractor Addendum"</i>	
Commercial General Liability Insurance	
<i>If Contractor will be providing Services outside the vehicle: Combined Single Limit</i>	\$1,000,000.00
RECOMMENDED	
Umbrella Liability:	
Following form for both the general liability and automobile	
Each Claim	\$1,000,000.00
Aggregate	\$1,000,000.00

Special Risks or Circumstances:

Entity reserves the right to modify, by written contract, these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

G. [Indemnification](#)

To the fullest extent of the law, the provider, its subcontractor, agents, servants, officers or employees shall indemnify and hold harmless Sedgwick County, including, but not limited to, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees and agents, from any and all claims brought by any person or entity whatsoever, arising from any act, error, or omission of the provider during the provider's performance of the agreement or any other agreements of the provider entered into by reason thereof. The provider shall indemnify and defend Sedgwick County, including, but not limited to, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees and agents, with respect to any claim arising, or alleged to have arisen from negligence, and/or willful, wanton or reckless acts or omissions of the provider, its subcontractor, agents, servants, officers, or employees and any and all losses or liabilities resulting from any such claims, including, but not limited to, damage awards, costs and reasonable attorney's fees. This indemnification shall not be affected by any other portions of the agreement relating to insurance requirements. The provider agrees that it will procure and keep in force at all times at its own expense insurance in accordance with these specifications.

H. [Confidential Matters and Data Ownership](#)

The successful proposer agrees all data, records and information, which the proposer, its agents and employees, which is the subject of this proposal, obtain access, remains at all times exclusively the property of Sedgwick County. The successful proposer agrees all such data, records, plans and information constitutes at all times proprietary information of Sedgwick County. The successful proposer agrees that it will not disclose, provide, or make available any of such proprietary information in any form to any person or entity. In addition, the successful proposer agrees it will not use any names or addresses contained in such data, records, plans and information for the purpose of selling or offering for sale any property or service to any person or entity who resides at any address in such data. In addition, the successful proposer agrees it will not sell, give or otherwise make available to any person or entity any names or addresses contained in or derived from such data, records and information for the purpose of allowing such person to sell or offer for sale any property or service to any person or entity named in such data. Successful proposer agrees it will take all reasonable steps and the same protective precautions to protect Sedgwick County's proprietary information from disclosure to third parties as with successful proposer's own proprietary and confidential information. Proposer agrees that all data, regardless of form that is generated as a result of this Request for Proposal is the property of Sedgwick County.

I. [Proposal Conditions](#)

<https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/31338/proposal-terms-conditions.pdf>

General Contract Provisions

<https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/31337/general-contractual-provisions.pdf>

Mandatory Contract Provisions

<https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/31336/mandatory-contractual-provisions.pdf>

Sample Contract

<https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/39236/sample-contract.pdf>

VIII. [Required Response Content](#)

All proposal submissions shall include the following:

1. Company profile: the name of the company, address, telephone number(s), contact person, year the company was established, and the names of the principals of the company.
2. Operations Form including with applicable attachments.
3. Proof of insurance meeting minimum insurance requirements as designated herein.
4. Those responses that do not include all required forms/items may be deemed non-responsive.

IX. Response Form

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP #21-0058

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM SERVICES FOR AGING (SCDOA)

The undersigned, on behalf of the proposer, certifies that: (1) this offer is made without previous understanding, agreement or connection with any person, firm, or corporation submitting a proposal on the same project; (2) is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; (3) the person whose signature appears below is legally empowered to bind the firm in whose name the proposer is entered; (4) they have read the complete Request for Proposal and understands all provisions; (5) if accepted by the county, this proposal is guaranteed as written and amended and will be implemented as stated; and (6) mistakes in writing of the submitted proposal will be their responsibility.

NAME _____

DBA/SAME _____

CONTACT _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ FAX _____ HOURS _____

STATE OF INCORPORATION or ORGANIZATION _____

WEBSITE ADDRESS _____ EMAIL _____

NUMBER OF LOCATIONS _____ NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED _____

TYPE OF ORGANIZATION: Public Corporation _____ Private Corporation _____ Sole Proprietorship _____

Partnership _____ Other (Describe): _____

BUSINESS MODEL: Small Business _____ Manufacturer _____ Distributor _____ Retail _____

Dealer _____ Other (Describe): _____

Not a Minority-Owned Business: _____ Minority-Owned Business: _____ (Specify Below)

_____ African American (05) _____ Asian Pacific (10) _____ Subcontinent Asian (15) _____ Hispanic (20)

_____ Native American (25) _____ Other (30) - Please specify _____

Not a Woman-Owned Business: _____ Woman-Owned Business: _____ (Specify Below)

_____ Not Minority -Woman Owned (50) _____ African American-Woman Owned (55)

_____ Asian Pacific-Woman Owned (60) _____ Subcontinent Asian-Woman Owned (65) _____ Hispanic Woman Owned (70)

_____ Native American-Woman Owned (75) _____ Other – Woman Owned (80) – Please specify _____

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF KS: _____ Yes _____ No

INSURANCE REGISTERED IN THE STATE OF KS WITH MINIMUM BEST RATING OF A-VIII: _____ Yes _____ No

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ADDENDA: All addendum(s) are posted to our RFQ/RFP web page and it is the vendor's responsibility to check and confirm all addendum(s) related to this document by going to www.sedgwickcounty.org/finance/purchasing.asp .

NO. _____, DATED _____; NO. _____, DATED _____; NO. _____, DATED _____

In submitting a proposal, vendor acknowledges all requirements, terms, conditions, and sections of this document. Proposal submission format should be by order in which sections are listed throughout the document. All minimum and general requirements should be specifically addressed and detailed in proposer's response. **Exceptions to any part of this document should be clearly delineated and detailed.**

Signature _____ Title _____

Print Name _____ Dated _____

X. Operations Form

Submission of Qualifications and Attachment Checklist

Service Area Available for Contracted Services:

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Hours of Operation (days and times):

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Vehicle List:

Vehicle – Make, Model and Year	Number of Ambulatory Seats	Number of Wheelchair Positions

*Add additional vehicles on an attachment

Relevant Experience:

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Professional References:

Business Name:		
Contact Name	Phone Number	Email Address

Business Name:		
Contact Name	Phone Number	Email Address

Business Name:		
Contact Name	Phone Number	Email Address

Document Submission Checklist:

- Kansas Bureau of Investigation Background Check for each employee within last 3 years
- Kansas Department of Motor Vehicle driving record check for each employee within last 3 years
- Drug and Alcohol pool or certification that employees will be placed in a pool
- DOT physical for each employee if applicable
- Certificate of Insurance
- Annual Vehicle Inspections performed by ASE certified mechanic, KDOT, or City of Wichita

Exhibit A
Fees for Services

- Reimbursement per mile is \$2.00
 - There is a \$2 minimum. Rides 1 mile and under will be paid at \$2.00.
 - Amount will be calculated at number of miles multiplied by \$2. Ex. 3.5 miles will be reimbursed at \$7.00.
- No-show is \$2.00 per occurrence
 - Vendor must communicate no-show to SCT by next business day and must provide time they arrived for the trip.
- Extra Rider is \$2.00 per rider
 - This includes guests of passengers and other riders chained to the trip
- A \$10.00 deadhead charge will be provided for trips with the following originations and destinations:
 - Haysville to Derby and reverse.
 - Mulvane to Derby and reverse
 - Valley Center to Park City and reverse
 - Kechi to Park City and reverse
 - Kechi to Bel Aire and reverse
- Compensation Penalties for not picking up passengers within expected timeframes are as follows:
 - Passenger not picked up within 30 minutes of requested time: no compensation
 - For will calls (unset time):
 - Passenger not picked up within 45 minutes of requested time: Compensated at half the rate
 - Passenger not picked up within 90 minutes of requested time: no compensation
 - Note: Exceptions may be made in instances resulting from extenuating circumstances (i.e. inclement weather, trains, flat tire, etc.) Same compensation penalty exists for deadhead rate.

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1. FLY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. § 40118

41 CFR Part 301-10

Fly America Requirements

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118 (the “Fly America” Act) in accordance with the General Services Administration’s regulations at 41 CFR Part 301-10, which provide that recipients and sub recipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use U.S. Flag air carriers for U.S Government-financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. The Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

2. CHARTER BUS REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. 5323(d)

49 CFR Part 604

Charter Service Operations - The contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(d) and 49 CFR Part 604, which provides that recipients and sub recipients of FTA assistance are prohibited from providing charter service using federally funded equipment or facilities if there is at least one private charter operator willing and able to provide the service, except under one of the exceptions at 49 CFR 604.9. Any charter service provided under one of the exceptions must be "incidental," i.e., it must not interfere with or detract from the provision of mass transportation.

3. SCHOOL BUS REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. 5323(F)

49 CFR Part 605

School Bus Operations - Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5323(f) and 49 CFR Part 605, recipients and sub recipients of FTA assistance may not engage in school bus operations exclusively for the transportation of students and school personnel in competition with private school bus operators unless qualified under specified exemptions. When operating exclusive school bus service under an allowable exemption, recipients and sub recipients may not use federally funded equipment, vehicles, or facilities.

4. ENERGY CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS

42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.

49 CFR Part 18

Energy Conservation - The contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, which are contained in the State Energy Conservation Plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

5. CLEAN WATER REQUIREMENTS

33 U.S.C. 1251

Clean Water - (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.* The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

6. LOBBYING

31 U.S.C. 1352

49 CFR Part 19

49 CFR Part 20

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. 1352, as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, P.L. 104-65 [to be codified at 2 U.S.C. § 1601, *et seq.*] - Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the certification required by 49 CFR part 20, "New Restrictions on Lobbying." Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier shall also disclose the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on its behalf with non-Federal funds with respect to that Federal contract, grant or award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

7. ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

49 U.S.C. 5325

18 CFR 18.36 (i)

49 CFR 633.17

Access to Records - The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

1. Where the Purchaser is not a State but a local government and is the FTA Recipient or a sub grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 18.36(i), the Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311.

2. Where the Purchaser is a State and is the FTA Recipient or a sub grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 633.17, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives, including any PMO Contractor, access to the Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a major capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$100,000.

3. Where the Purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is the FTA Recipient or a sub grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 19.48, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives with access to any books, documents, papers and record of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.

4. Where any Purchaser which is the FTA Recipient or a sub grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, the Contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the Purchaser, the Secretary of Transportation and the Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.

5. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

6. The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case Contractor agrees to maintain same until the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i) (11).

7. FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

Requirements for Access to Records and Reports by Types of Contract

Contract Characteristics	Operational Service Contract	Turnkey	Construction	Architectural Engineering	Acquisition of Rolling Stock	Professional Services
<u>I State Grantees</u>						
a. Contracts below SAT (\$100,000)	None	Those imposed on state pass thru to Contractor	None	None	None	None
b. Contracts above \$100,000/Capital Projects	None unless ¹ non-competitive award		Yes, if non-competitive award or if funded thru ² 5307/5309/5311	None unless non-competitive award	None unless non-competitive award	None unless non-competitive award
<u>II Non State Grantees</u>						
a. Contracts below SAT (\$100,000)	Yes ³	Those imposed on non-state	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
b. Contracts above \$100,000/Capital Projects	Yes ³	Grantee pass thru to Contractor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Sources of Authority:

¹ 49 USC 5325 (a)

² 49 CFR 633.17

³ 18 CFR 18.36 (i)

8. FEDERAL CHANGES

49 CFR Part 18

Federal Changes - Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between Purchaser and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.

9. CLEAN AIR

42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq

40 CFR 15.61

49 CFR Part 18

Clean Air - The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

10. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards

(1) **Overtime requirements** - No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) **Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages** - In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) **Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages** - The grantee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) **Subcontracts** - The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

11. NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

No Obligation by the Federal Government.

(1) The Purchaser and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Purchaser, Contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.

(2) The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

12. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS AND RELATED ACTS

31 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.
49 CFR Part 31 18 U.S.C. 1001
49 U.S.C. 5307

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.

(1) The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(2) The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(3) The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

13. GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

See Section 14 of the Mandatory Contractual Provisions

14. CIVIL RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS

29 U.S.C. § 623, 42 U.S.C. § 2000

42 U.S.C. § 6102, 42 U.S.C. § 12112

42 U.S.C. § 12132, 49 U.S.C. § 5332

29 CFR Part 1630, 41 CFR Parts 60 et seq.

Civil Rights - The following requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(1) Nondiscrimination - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(2) Equal Employment Opportunity - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(a) Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex - In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(b) Age - In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § § 623 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(c) Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(3) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary to identify the affected parties.

15. BREACHES AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

49 CFR Part 18

FTA Circular 4220.1E

See section 6 of the Mandatory Contractual Provisions

16. TRANSIT EMPLOYEE PROTECTIVE AGREEMENTS

49 U.S.C. § 5310, § 5311, and § 5333

29 CFR Part 215

Transit Employee Protective Provisions. (1) The Contractor agrees to the comply with applicable transit employee protective requirements as follows:

(a) General Transit Employee Protective Requirements - To the extent that FTA determines that transit operations are involved, the Contractor agrees to carry out the transit operations work on the underlying contract in compliance with terms and conditions determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor to be fair and equitable to protect the interests of employees employed under this contract and to meet the employee protective requirements of 49 U.S.C. A 5333(b), and U.S. DOL guidelines at 29 C.F.R. Part 215, and any amendments thereto. These terms and conditions are identified in the letter of certification from the U.S. DOL to FTA applicable to the FTA Recipient's project from which Federal assistance is provided to support work on the underlying contract. The Contractor agrees to carry out that work in compliance with the conditions stated in that U.S. DOL letter. The requirements of this subsection (1), however, do not apply to any contract financed with Federal assistance provided by FTA either for projects for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5310(a)(2), or for projects for nonurbanized areas authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5311. Alternate provisions for those projects are set forth in subsections (b) and (c) of this clause.

(b) Transit Employee Protective Requirements for Projects Authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5310(a)(2) for Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities - If the contract involves transit operations financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5310(a)(2), and if the U.S. Secretary of Transportation has determined or determines in the future that the employee protective requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) are necessary or appropriate for the state and the public body sub recipient for which work is performed on the underlying contract, the Contractor agrees to carry out the Project in compliance with the terms and conditions determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor to meet the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b), U.S. DOL guidelines at 29 C.F.R. Part 215, and any amendments thereto. These terms and conditions are identified in the U.S. DOL's letter of certification to FTA, the date of which is set forth Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement with the state. The Contractor agrees to perform transit operations in connection with the underlying contract in compliance with the conditions stated in that U.S. DOL letter.

(c) Transit Employee Protective Requirements for Projects Authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5311 in Nonurbanized Areas - If the contract involves transit operations financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5311, the Contractor agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the Special Warranty for the Nonurbanized Area Program agreed to by the U.S. Secretaries of Transportation and Labor, dated May 31, 1979, and the procedures implemented by U.S. DOL or any revision thereto.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include the any applicable requirements in each subcontract involving transit operations financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

17. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)
49 CFR Part 26

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

- a. This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, *Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs*. The national goal for participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) is 10%. KDOT's FTA overall goal for DBE participation is 1.81%.
- b. The contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this DOT-assisted contract. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as Sedgwick County deems appropriate. Each subcontract the contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (*see* 49 CFR 26.13(b)).
- c. The successful bidder/offeree will be required to report its DBE participation obtained through race-neutral means throughout the period of performance.
- d. The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment for that work from the Sedgwick County. In addition, the contractor may not hold retainage from its subcontractors.
- e. The contractor must promptly notify Sedgwick County, whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work, and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without prior written consent of Sedgwick County.
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18. INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TERMS
FTA Circular 4220.1E

Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms - The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1E, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any (name of grantee) requests which would cause (name of grantee) to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

19. DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING
49 U.S.C. §5331
49 CFR Parts 653 and 654

The contractor agrees to establish and implement a drug and alcohol testing program that complies with 49 CFR Parts 653 and 654, produce any documentation necessary to establish its compliance with Parts 653 and 654, and permit any authorized representative of the United States Department of Transportation or its operating administrations, the State Oversight Agency of Kansas, or Sedgwick County, to inspect the facilities and records associated with the implementation of the drug and alcohol testing program as required under 49 CFR Parts 653 and 654 and review the testing process. The contractor agrees further to certify annually its compliance with Parts 40 and 655 before July 1 and to submit the Management Information System (MIS) reports before March 15 to Kandace Bonnesen, Program Operations Manager. To certify compliance, the contractor shall adhere to drug and alcohol guidelines prescribed by Sedgwick County.

20. TERMINATION
49 CFR Part 18 FTA Circular 4220.1F

See Section 7 of the General Contractual Provisions