

California Department of Education

Request for Proposal

School Food Authorities Procuring the Services of a Food Service Management Company



Procurement Resources Unit
Nutrition Services Division
Systems Support Branch

Notice of Request for Proposals

**Food Service Management Company
RFP FY21-001**

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Board of the Green Dot Public Schools California (hereinafter referred to as **SFA**) is requesting proposals for a food service management company (hereinafter referred to as **Respondent[s]**) to assist with the SFA's food service program.

Respondents should not construe from this legal notice that the SFA intends to enter into a fixed-price contract with the Respondent unless, in the opinion of the SFA, it is in the best interest of the SFA to do so. The SFA reserves the right to negotiate final contractual terms with the successful Respondent.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) documents are available by
Green Dot Public Schools Web site at www.greendot.org/procurement

To request the RFP documents by e-mail or postal mail, please contact
Darren Alexander

E-mail darren.alexander@greendot.org

Postal Mail
1149 S. Hill St, Suite 600
Los Angeles, CA 90015

The SFA will record and provide answers to any questions or requests for clarifying information about the RFP during the question and answer period.

Respondents must submit written proposals by email or post mail
Subject line: Proposal - Food Service Management Company FY21-001
Addressed to the SFA at
E-mail darren.alexander@greendot.org

Postal Mail
1149 S. Hill St, Suite 600
Los Angeles, CA 90015
Attn: Darren Alexander

The SFA will accept all proposals received on or before Friday, March 27th, 2020, 4:30 p.m. The SFA will not accept proposals that are received after the deadline.

The SFA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, and to waive any errors or corrections in a proposal or in the proposal process. The SFA will award the contract based on a review and analysis of the proposals that determines which proposal best meets the needs of the SFA. Following the review and analysis of all responsive proposals, the SFA will make a recommendation to their Governing Board at its regularly scheduled meeting.

Green Dot Public Schools

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CONTACT INFORMATION

FY21-001

by

Green Dot Public Schools
FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

ADDRESS ALL PROPOSALS TO:

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Operations Manager

1149 S. Hill St, Suite 600
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213-703-9179

darren.alexander@greendot.org



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Introduction/Purpose of Solicitation

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to enter into a fixed-price contract with a food service management company (FSMC) that will provide Green Dot Public Schools (hereinafter referred to as the school food authority [SFA]) with food service management assistance for their food service operation. The FSMC will provide services to the SFA as described in the Scope of Work in the Model Fixed-price Contract.

The SFA's food service goals are to provide nutritious, high-quality meals to students and participants in National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and Seamless Summer Program to accommodate special diets where medically necessary, improve the nutritional quality of meals, and maintain a financially viable food service program (Title 7, *Code of Federal Regulations* [7 CFR, Parts 210, 220])

General food service goals are to

- Provide an appealing and nutritionally sound program for students as economically as possible
- Stimulate both student and adult participation in the program through improved relations with students, staff, and the community by creating awareness of the direct correlation between adequate nutrition for students and their ability to learn
- Increase participation at all levels of the food service program by improving meal quality, seeking student and parent input, offering menu variations, and improving planning
- Maintain reasonable prices for students and adults participating in the food service program
- Maintain student and staff morale at a high level

SFAs shall conduct all procurement transactions in a manner that provides maximum open and free competition consistent with Title 2, *Code of Federal Regulations* (2 CFR), Part 200.319(a)(1-7). The SFA must share with every Respondent all information necessary for submitting a competitive proposal. The release of this RFP, evaluation of Respondents, and award of a contract will use competitive bidding standards established in all applicable California state and federal statutes and regulations.

Outlined below are competitive bidding basic standards:

- The purpose of soliciting competitive proposals is to secure public objectives in the most effective manner and avoid the possibilities of graft, fraud, collusion, etc.
- The SFA released this RFP to benefit the SFA and not the Respondents.

- Fulfillment of RFP specifications is based on full and fair competition and acceptance by the SFA to award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder or bid/offer most advantageous to the program with price and other factors considered (with price as the primary factor) [2 CFR, sections 200.320(c)(2)(iv) and 200.320(d)(4)].
- The RFP must provide a basis for full and fair competition among Respondents to a common standard, free of restrictions that tend to stifle competition.

To respond to this RFP, interested FSMCs must present evidence of experience, ability, and financial standing necessary to meet the requirements stated in this RFP. The SFA will measure this evidence by scoring the proposals, using a point system that will rank each proposal from highest to lowest, to determine which proposals they will consider for the award of a contract.

To be competitive in this solicitation, the Respondent must:

- Carefully read the entire RFP, attachments, exhibits, addenda, and SFA responses to questions before submitting a proposal
- Ask appropriate questions or request clarification before the deadline in the RFP
- Submit all required responses by the required deadlines
- Follow all instructions and requirements of the RFP thoroughly and appropriately

If a Respondent discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other errors in this RFP, the Respondent shall immediately notify the SFA of the error in writing and request clarification or a modification of the RFP. If the Respondent fails to notify the SFA of the error prior to the date for submission of proposals, and is awarded the contract, the Respondent shall not be entitled to additional compensation or time by reason of the error or its later correction.

**Schedule of Events
for
RFP # FY21-001]**

• Release of RFP	Monday	February 24 th , 2020
• First Public Notice	Sunday	February 23 rd , 2020
• Second Public Notice	Sunday	March 1 st , 2020
• Mandatory Site Tour*	Wednesday	March 4 th , 2020 11am
• Respondent Question Submission Deadline	Friday	March 6 th , 2020
• SFA Provides Answers	Friday	March 13 th , 2020
• Deadline for Submission Proposal 4:30pm	Friday	March 27 th , 2020 Due
• Proposals Opened	Monday	March 30 th , 2020
• Proposals Evaluated	Monday	April 6 th , 2020
• Board Meeting – Proposal Approval	Friday	April 24 th , 2020
• Anticipated Contract Award Date	Friday	May 15 th , 2020

* Mandatory Site Tour

Animo Jackie Robinson
3500 S. Hill ST.
Los Angeles, CA 90007

RSVP for Mandatory Site Tour

Darren.alexander@greendot.org

Subject Line: RFP FY21-001 Mandatory Site Tour

The SFA will make every effort to adhere to the schedule. However, the SFA reserves the right to amend the schedule, as necessary, and will post a notice of said amendment at www.greendot.org/procurement.

General Instructions for Respondents

1. Prepare proposals simply and economically. Provide a straightforward concise description of the Respondent's capability to satisfy the SFA's requirements. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content.
2. Submit proposals for the performance of all the services described within this RFP. The SFA will not consider any deviation from these specifications and will reject such proposals.
3. The SFA may reject a proposal if the proposal is conditional or incomplete, deemed nonresponsive, or if it contains any alterations of form or other irregularities of any kind. The SFA may reject any or all proposals or waive any immaterial deviation in a proposal. The SFA's waiver of an immaterial deviation shall in no way modify the RFP document or excuse the Respondent from full compliance with all other requirements if awarded the contract.
4. Respondents are responsible for the costs of developing proposals, and shall not charge the SFA for any preparation costs.
5. The SFA asks Respondents that do not intend to submit a proposal to notify the SFA in writing.
6. Respondents may modify their proposal after submission by withdrawing the original proposal and resubmitting a new proposal prior to the submission deadline. The SFA will not consider proposal modifications offered in any other manner, either oral or written.
7. The SFA payment terms are net 30.
8. The Respondent shall maintain records to support the SFA's Claim for Reimbursement and report claim information to the SFA promptly at the end of each month. Such records shall be made available to the SFA upon request and shall be retained in accordance with 7 *CFR*, Section 210.16(c)(1).
9. The Respondent shall secure State or local health certification for any facility outside the school in which it prepares meals. The Respondent shall maintain this certification for the duration of the contract. [7 *CFR* Section 210.16(a)[7]
10. The SFA participates in meal programs that require the use the nonprofit food service funds, to the maximum extent practicable, to buy domestic commodities or products for Program meals. A 'domestic commodity or product' is defined as one that is either produced in the U.S. or is processed in the U.S. substantially (51% or more by weight or volume) using agricultural commodities that are produced in the U.S. as provided in 7 *CFR*, sections 220.21(d) and/or 220.16(d), USDA SP 38-2017.
11. The Respondent will document why a non-domestic food is being substituted for domestic foods. The documentation is intended to indicate if the alternative food is due to the cost of domestic being significantly higher than non-domestic foods and/or the domestic foods are not produced or manufactured in sufficient and reasonable available quantities of a satisfactory quality. The Respondent will provide documentation justifying their use of exceptions to the Buy American Provision.

12. The Respondent will provide documentation about the percentage of domestic product in any processed end product. If the percentage is less than 51% then the respondent will notify the SFA of the non-domesticity of the processed end product.
13. The Respondent will provide certification of domestic origin for products which do not have country of origin labels.
14. The Respondent will not, directly or indirectly restrict the sale or marketing of fluid milk at any time or in any place on school premises or at any school-sponsored event. [7 CFR, Section 210.21(e)]
15. The Respondent shall include a 21 Day Cycle menu. (7 CFR, Section 210.10)
16. The Respondent shall include meal pattern requirements for breakfast, as per 7 CFR, Section 220.8.
17. The Respondent must credit the recipient agency for the value of all donated foods received for use in the recipient agency's meal service in the school year or fiscal year (including both entitlement and bonus foods), and including the value of donated foods contained in processed end products. [7 CFR, Section 250.51(a)]
18. The Respondent will provide the method and frequency by which the crediting will occur and document that the value of all donated foods will be credited. [7 CFR, Section 250.51(b)]
19. The Respondent will provide the method of determining the donated food values to be used in crediting. [7 CFR, Section 250.51(c)]
20. The Respondent shall agree to penalties for nonperformance. [7 CFR, Section 210.16(b)(2)]
21. Small Businesses and Minority Business - (a) The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. (b) Affirmative steps must include: (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists; (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources; (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; (5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and (6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section. (Title 2, *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 200.321(a)(b)(1-6))
22. Respondents may withdraw their proposal by submitting a written withdrawal request to the SFA, signed by the Respondent or their authorized agent, through the contact person named in the "Contact Information" provided on page iv of this RFP. Thereafter, a

Respondent may submit a new proposal prior to the proposal submission deadline.
Respondents may not withdraw their proposal without cause after the proposal submission deadline.

23. The SFA may modify the RFP prior to the date given for submission of proposals by posting an addendum on www.greendot.org/procurement. The SFA will notify Respondents so they can obtain any addenda from the SFA's Web site, or request it by e-mail, postal mail, or fax.
24. The SFA reserves the right to reject all proposals for reasonable cause. If the costs of all proposals are excessive, the SFA is not required to award a contract.
25. The SFA will not consider more than one proposal from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or association under the same or different names. Reasonable grounds for believing that any Respondent has submitted more than one proposal for work contemplated herein will cause the SFA to reject all proposals submitted by the Respondent. If there is reason to believe that collusion exists among the Respondents, the SFA will not consider any of the participants of such collusion in this or future solicitations.
26. The SFA will not consider a joint proposal submitted by two or more entities.
27. Additional charges for regular or express delivery, drayage, parcel post, packing, cartage, insurance, license fees, permits, or for any other purpose shall be included (and separately identified) in the proposal.
28. All proposals shall include the forms provided as attachments to this RFP. Respondents may copy these forms. A proposal is considered responsive if it follows the required format, includes all attachments, and meets all deadlines and other requirements outlined in this RFP.
29. The SFA shall not accept proposals after the submission deadline specified in the RFP and shall return the unopened proposals to the respective Respondents. The SFA will not consider late proposals under any circumstances.
30. Respondents are responsible for examining the entire RFP package, seeking clarification for any item or requirement that may not be clear to them, and checking all responses in their proposal for accuracy before submitting it.
31. Respondents may submit their questions regarding the information presented in this RFP to Darren Alexander in writing by postal mail at 1149 S. Hill St., Suite 600, Los Angeles, CA 90015, e-mail at Darren.alexander@greendot.org, no later than Friday, April 6th, 2020 by 4:30 PM. The SFA will answer all questions received by the deadline in writing without exposing the query source. This will be the sole process for asking and answering questions regarding this RFP. Respondents may not contact SFA employees directly to ask questions.
32. SFA representatives reserve the right to inspect a Respondent's other food service operations prior to any award of a contract.
33. The SFA reserves the right to negotiate the final terms and conditions of the contract, which may differ from those contained in the proposal, provided the SFA considers such

negotiation to be in its best interest. Any change in the terms and conditions must not create a material change, which is any alteration or modification to the original terms stated in the RFP that would have resulted in different proposals from all respondents. A material change will require the SFA to rebid the contract.

34. Interested Respondents are required to inspect the SFA's premises prior to submitting a proposal in order to determine all requirements associated with the proposed contract. The inspection of premises will occur during the Mandatory Tour.
35. Respondents shall submit one copy, by email, to Darren.alexander@greendot.org.
 - a. The email copy must contain the original signature of the individual(s) authorized to bind the Respondent contractually. The Respondent email must ensure the content is complete, legible, and inclusive of all materials.

The email subject line should read Food Service FY21-001 RFP.

36. SFA may terminate for cause with the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement (For contracts in excess of \$10,000 only) [2 CFR, Appendix II to Part 200]
37. The respondent shall be compliant with Equal Employment Opportunity (in excess of \$10,000) [2 CFR, Appendix II to Part 200].
38. The respondent shall be compliant with Debarment and Suspension [Executive Orders 12549 and 12689] (2 CFR, Section 200.213 and Appendix II to Part 200).
39. The respondent shall be compliant with Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment [31 U.S.C. 1352] [2 CFR, Appendix II to Part 200(i)].
40. The respondent shall Buy American according to provision [7 CFR, sections 210.21(d) and 220.16(d)/FNS Policy Memo SP 38-2017].
41. The contract shall be evaluated and awarded according to the evaluations of proposals section, according to [2 CFR, sections 200.320(c) and 200.320(d)(4)].
42. The respondent upon award shall provide the SFA with a completed Vendor Certification of Criminal Background Clearance and Tuberculosis (TB) Clearance of employee(s) who will be stationed at each serving location.

Proposal Requirements

To be eligible for evaluation, a proposal must adhere strictly to the format set forth below; failure to do so may result in disqualification. Respondents must complete, label, and separate each section, and number all pages. The content and sequence of the proposal will be as follows:

Section 1 - Administrative Requirements

A. Cover Letter

Only the individual(s) authorized to bind the Respondent contractually may sign the cover letter, which shall be a part of the proposal package. If the cover letter is unsigned, the SFA will reject the proposal. The SFA may reject the proposal if the Respondent fails to include the following required information:

- Name and address of responding company
- Organizational structure of the responding company (e.g., corporation, partnership, etc.)
- Respondent's Federal Employee Identification Number and Corporate Identification Number, if applicable
- Name, title, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the representative who will be designated as the primary liaison to the SFA
- Name, title, phone number, and e-mail address of the representative(s) authorized to bind the Respondent in a contract if different from the primary liaison
- A statement expressing the Respondent's willingness to perform the services described in this RFP
- A statement expressing the Respondent's ability to perform the services required by the Scope of Work, including availability of staff and other required resources to meet all deliverables as described in this RFP
- A statement regarding the Respondent's proprietary information; if applicable, the Respondent must clearly mark in the upper right hand corner those pages to be considered proprietary (**Note:** the Respondent cannot consider the entire proposal to be proprietary)
- The following certification:

By signing this cover letter, I (we) certify that the information contained in this proposal is accurate and that all attachments required to be submitted as part of the proposal are certified to be true and binding upon our company.

B. Table of Contents

Immediately following the cover letter, include a comprehensive Table of Contents that lists all submitted proposal sections, subsections, attachments, and materials.

Section 2 – Required Attachments

A. Attachment Checklist

The Respondent shall include all documents identified in the Attachments Checklist (Attachment A). The SFA may reject proposals that do not include the proper required attachments.

B. Mandatory Tour

All respondents are required to attend the site tour on Wednesday, March 4th, 2020 at 11 am.
Mandatory Site Tour Location:

Animo Jackie Robinson
3500 S. Hill ST.
Los Angeles, CA 90007

RSVP for Mandatory Site Tour

Darren.alexander@greendot.org

Subject Line: RFP FY21-001 Mandatory Site Tour

The SFA requests that Respondents do not take pictures during the tour as the SFA has not obtained releases from parents, students, and employees.

C. Minimum Qualifications

The SFA will only consider Respondents that **meet all minimum qualifications** (as listed on Attachment C).

D. FSMC Professional Standards

Establishes minimum professional standards for school nutrition personnel who manage and operate the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs (as listed on Attachment D).

E. Proposal Questionnaire

The Proposal Questionnaire (Attachment D) is intended to provide the SFA with specific information concerning the Respondent's capability to provide services as described in this RFP. Respondents should limit their responses to the number of pages noted in the questionnaire and answer each question in the same order.

F. Respondent References

Respondents must provide three references on the Respondent References form

(Attachment E). The SFA reserves the right to contact any of the references listed, and retains the right to conduct reference checks with individuals and entities beyond those listed.

G. Authorization Agreement

The Respondent or their authorized representative must sign the Authorization Agreement (Attachment F) and return it with the proposal package.

H. Fee Proposal

The Respondent must complete the Fee Proposal (Attachment G) and return it with the proposal package.

I. Certificate of Independent Price

K. 21 Day Cycle Menu

The Respondent must submit a 21 Day Cycle menu (Attachment K) for breakfast and lunch programs to be served (7 *CFR*, sections 210.16[b][1] and 220.8) for the proposal package.

Evaluation of Proposals

Proposals will be opened on or after the date and time specified in the Schedule of Events. During the evaluation process, the SFA may ask Respondents to clarify information in the proposals, but Respondents may not change their proposals.

An error in the proposal may cause the SFA to reject that proposal; however, the SFA may, at its sole discretion, retain the proposal and make certain corrections. When determining if a correction will be made, the SFA will consider the conformance of the proposal to the format and content required by the RFP and that the Respondent's intent is clearly established based on review of the whole proposal. Based on that established intent, the SFA may choose to correct errors such as obvious grammatical or punctuation errors and arithmetic errors. The Master Copy of the proposal shall have priority over additional proposal copies.

The SFA will open proposals to determine if they contain all the required information in accordance with this RFP. The SFA will evaluate qualifying proposals using the following criteria:

CRITERIA	Max			
Administrative Requirements: did the Respondent include all required information in accordance with the General Instructions and Proposal Requirements?	5 points (pts)	Yes	5 pts	
		No	0 pts	
Experience with National Lunch Program (NSLP), the School Breakfast Program (SBP) the Seamless Summer Feeding Option (SSFO).	15 pts	NSLP	Yes	7 pts
			No	0 pts
		SBP	Yes	4 pts
			No	0 pts
		SSFO	Yes	4 pts
No	0 pts			
Based on the Proposal Questionnaire responses and the Cover Letter, the Respondent demonstrates a complete understanding of the SFA's food service program and its service requirements, as described in the RFP and the Scope of Work, and can perform those services to the SFA's satisfaction	20 pts	Yes	20 pts	
		Partially	10 pts	
		No	0 pts	
Financial stability of Respondent as measured by: Vendor shows strong growth progress with no significant fiscal concerns, debts, judgements, etc. Vendor provides requested financial records for the entire span of 3 years requested Vendor Provides all records in a clear and easy to comprehend manner	15 pts	Yes	15 pts	
		Partially	5 pts	
		No	0 pts	

Corporate capability and experience as measured by client retention and satisfaction, and references.	10 pts	Positive references; no schools terminated contract due to performance issues	10 pts
		Some negative comments from references; no schools terminated contract due to performance issues	5 pts
		Some negative comments from references; several schools terminated	0 pts
Corporate capability and experience as measured by years in the food service management industry.	10 pts	9+ years	10 pts
		7-8 years	8 pts
		5-6 years	6 pts
		3-4 years	4 pts
		Less than 3	2 pts
Corporate capability and experience as measured by current number of California SFA's served.	10 pts	25 +	10 pts
		20 to 24	8 pts
		11 to 19	6 pts
		7 to 10	4 pts
		Less than 6	2 pts
Corporate capability and experience as measured by positive experience with SFA	10 pts	Positive feedback and no desire to change FSMC	10 pts
		Both positive and negative feedback, but no desire to change FSMC	5 pts
		Negative feedback, and early termination of contract	0 pts
FSMC can accept commodities from the USDA Foods and Department of Defense Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Programs, and credit the SFA for the market value	5 pts	Yes	5 pts
		No	0 pts
Cost	25 pts	Lowest	25 pts
		2nd Lowest	20 pts
		3rd Lowest	15 pts
		4th Lowest	10 pts
		5th Lowest	5 pts
TOTAL POINTS	125 pts		

The SFA will score and rank selected proposals by assigning a score between zero and the maximum score to each proposal criterion. The SFA will recommend awarding the contract to the most responsive and responsible Respondent with the highest total proposal score.

Attachment A: Attachments Checklist

Respondent
Company
Name

Please complete this checklist to confirm that the items listed below have been included in your proposal. Place a checkmark or “x” next to each item submitted to the SFA. For your proposal to be considered, all required attachments must be returned, including this checklist. Submit one copy of your proposal in a sealed package.

<u>Attachment</u>	<u>Attachment Name</u>
A	Attachments Checklist
B	Mandatory Site Tour
C	Minimum Qualifications
D	FSMC Professional Standards
E	Proposal Questionnaire
F	Respondent References
G	Authorization Agreement
H	Fee Proposal
I	Certifications Regarding Lobbying Activities, Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters
J	Certificate of Independent Price Determination
K	Include 21 Day Cycle Menu

Attachment B

The Mandatory Tour will include an escorted tour.

- The tour schedule includes the sites listed below.
- Prospective Respondents may not contact any sites or employees outside of the scheduled visit.
- The SFA requests that Respondents do not take pictures during the tour as the SFA has not obtained releases from parents, students, and employees.

TOUR SCHEDULE

Tour begins at 11 am Wednesday March 4th, 2020

Where: Animo Jackie Robinson

3500 S. Broadway

Los Angeles, CA 90015

Darren Alexander 213-703-9179

The SFA thanks all Respondents for abiding by our request to keep the disruption caused by the visit to a minimum.

**Attachment C:
Minimum
Qualifications**

A Respondent must meet all of the following minimum qualifications to the SFA's satisfaction to be given further consideration. Failure to satisfy any of the minimum qualifications may result in the immediate rejection of the proposal.

As of December 31st, 2019 both the Respondent's company and its key personnel meet all of the following minimum qualifications:

1. The Respondent has at least three years of experience with food service programs
2. The Respondent has the resources and ability to provide seventy-five thousand meals per fiscal year.

Yes _____ No _____

3. The Respondent has knowledge and experience with the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program.

Yes _____ No _____

4. The Respondent has professional references that demonstrate and evidence the ability to perform the required services.

Yes _____ No _____

5. The Respondent is licensed to do business in the state of California.

Yes _____ No _____

6. The FSMC is an approved commodity processor with the California Department of Education?

Yes _____ No _____

7. The FSMC agrees to accept commodities from the USDA Foods AND Department of Defense Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Programs, and credit the SFA for the market value?

Yes _____ No _____

8. The Respondent has a current health permit under the name and location, as referenced in the RFP?

Yes _____ No _____

Attachment D: FSMC Professional Standards

FSMC Employees Professional Standards

Federal Register Vol. 80, No. 40, dated March 2, 2015, referred to as the “Final Rule,” establishes minimum professional standards for school nutrition personnel who manage and operate the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. In the Final Rule, the following definitions are established:

1. **School Nutrition Program Director.** The school nutrition program director is any individual directly responsible for the management of the day-to-day operation of school food service for all participating schools under the jurisdiction of the school food authority.
2. **School Nutrition Program Manager.** The school nutrition manager is any individual directly responsible for the management of the day-to-day operation of school food service for a participating school(s).
3. **School Nutrition Program Staff.** School nutrition program staff are those individuals, without managerial responsibilities, involved in day-to-day operations of school food service for a participating school(s).

The Final Rule establishes that these definitions apply to the function/role rather than the specific title within the school food service structure, and that the definitions apply whether or not the school food service is operated by an FSMC. Therefore, as of the effective date of this contract, the minimum professional standards established by the Final Rule, and described therein, shall apply to FSMC staff performing any of the duties described above.

The FSMC shall only place staff for work in the school district that meet the minimum professional standards outlined in 7 *CFR*, Section 210.30, which can be viewed at the following Web page:

http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/cn/profstandards_flyer.pdf.

- The SFA shall ensure that all staff the FSMC proposes for placement meet the minimum professional standards.
- The FSMC shall ensure their employees take the required annual training as outlined in the professional standards and provide certification of such training to the SFA. The FSMC shall remove from the SFA premises any staff who fail to take the required annual training.
- The FSMC shall provide the SFA with a list of proposed employees and evidence that they meet the professional standards.

Attachment E: Proposal Questionnaire

This proposal questionnaire is intended to provide the SFA with specific information concerning the Respondent's capability to provide services as described in the RFP. Please be as concise as possible and limit your responses **to no more than two pages per question, unless instructed otherwise. Type each question in the same order as listed in the questionnaire.**

1. Provide a general description of your company's qualifications and experience relevant to the minimum qualifications in Attachment C, along with any necessary substantiating information. Limit your responses to information about your company's capabilities.
2. Provide a statement indicating the year your company was founded; what the primary business(es) of the company is(are); the length of time the company has been providing food service management services (consulting, food purchase, etc.) and related services as described in this RFP. In addition, provide the duration and extent of experience the company has with similar SFA food management services.
3. Provide a general description of how your company will be able to provide the experience, ability, and financial standing necessary to meet the requirements set forth in this RFP.
4. Provide a complete list of SFAs that have discontinued or terminated your company's services in the last five years and the reason(s) why.
5. Provide an organization chart for your company, a description of the lines of communication, and the responsibilities at each corporate level.
6. Provide a complete balance sheet or annual report (verified by a certified public accountant) for the last three years of operation.
7. Provide a description of promotional and marketing materials you will use to attract students to the program.
8. Provide a recommended transition plan that describes the steps the Respondent will take to begin providing the services described in this RFP.

Attachment F: Respondent References

List three references to which the Respondent has provided food service management services within the past three year(s).

Failure to complete and return this Attachment will cause your proposal to be rejected.

Reference 1		
Name of Reference		
Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Contact Person	Contact Title	Contact Phone Number
Brief Description of Services Provided		
Dates of Service		
Reference 2		
Name of Reference		
Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Contact Person	Contact Title	Contact Phone Number
Brief Description of Services Provided		
Dates of Service		
Reference 3		
Name of Reference		
Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Contact Person	Contact Title	Contact Phone Number
Brief Description of Services Provided		
Dates of Service		

Attachment G: Authorization Agreement

Request for Proposal for Food Service Management Company
RFP Number: FY21-001

We, _____, by our signature on this document certify the following:

1. That we will operate in accordance with all applicable California state and federal laws, regulations, and statutes.
2. That the terms, conditions, warranties, and representations made within this RFP and our proposal shall be binding upon us and shall be considered a part of the contract as if incorporated therein.
3. That the proposal submitted is a firm and irrevocable offer good for one year.
4. That we have carefully examined all terms and conditions set forth in the Model Fixed-price Contract issued by _____.
5. That we have made examinations and verifications, and are fully conversant with all conditions under which services are to be performed for _____.
6. That negligence in the preparation or presentation of, errors in, or omissions from proposals shall not relieve us from fulfillment of any and all obligations and requirements in the resulting contract.

FSMC Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Web Site Address: _____

Name of Authorized Representative: _____

Title of Authorized Representative: _____

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date Signed: _____

**Attachment H:
Fee Proposal**

All costs for meals are based on average daily participation of **1175** meals (breakfast and lunch) served on 183 number of school days.

Point of Sale and Ordering Management Services with Regular Facility

School	Grades	Enrollment	Average Daily Breakfast Participation SY19-20 (YTD)	Average Daily Lunch Participation SY19-20 (YTD)	FRL %	Current number of servers	Vendor's proposal # of servers, to serve and run POS
Animo Venice	9 – 12	525	17	135	84.7	2	
Animo Ralph Bunche	9 – 12	600	65	385	93.4	3	
Anmio Jefferson	9 – 12	515	25	225	94.6	3	
Animo College Prep	9 – 12	350	75	260	87.2	2	

COST BREAKDOWN

Respondent Instructions

- ⇒ Provide a breakdown of all costs included in the fixed price, including personnel costs, and utensils; **if server costs are not part of the per meal, please clearly indicate in 'Personnel Costs' Item 7**
- ⇒ Provide the cost per meal; base all food costs **on the attached 21-day cycle menu.**
- ⇒ **Clearly identify all costs**

Item #	Description <i>(Include All Goods and Services included in the Fixed Price)</i>	Annual Cost
1.		\$
2.		\$
3.		\$
4.		\$
Sub Total		\$
	Personnel Costs	Annual Cost
5.	Management Fee Per Meal	\$
6.	Consultant Fee Per Meal	\$
7.	Server costs that are not reflected in the per meal cost.	\$
Sub Total		\$
GRAND TOTAL		\$

COST PER MEAL

Respondent Instructions:			
⇒ Provide the cost per meal; base all food costs on the attached 21-day cycle menu.			
⇒ Prices must not include values for USDA Foods and must include all meal programs applicable.			
1. LINE ITEM	2. UNITS	3. RATE	4. TOTAL
Breakfast	25,000	\$	\$
Lunch	155,000	\$	\$
Seamless Summer	1500	\$	\$
TOTAL	181,500	\$	\$

Attachment I: Certifications Regarding Lobbying, Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents of all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub- recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, United States Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Organization: _____

Street address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

CERTIFIED BY: (Type or Print)

TITLE: _____

(Signature) (Date)

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities and Instructions

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352
(See next page for public burden disclosure)

Approved by
OMB

<p>1. Type of Federal Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Contract b. Grant c. Cooperative agreement d. Loan e. Loan guarantee f. Loan insurance 	<p>2. Status of Federal Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Bid/Offer/Application b. Initial Award c. Post-Award 	<p>3. Report Type:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Initial filing b. Material change <p>For Material Change Only: Year _____ Quarter _____ Date of last report _____</p>
<p>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</p> <p>Prime _____ Subawardee _____ Tier, if known _____</p>	<p>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</p> <p>Congressional District, if known: _____</p>	
<p>Congressional District, if known: _____</p> <p>6. Federal Department/Agency: _____</p>	<p>7. Federal Program Name/Description: _____</p> <p>CFDA Number, if applicable: _____</p>	
<p>8. Federal Action Number, if known: _____</p>	<p>9. Award Amount, if known: _____</p> <p>\$ _____</p>	
<p>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, MI): _____</p>	<p>b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI) _____</p>	
<p>11. Information requested through this form is authorized by Title 31 U.S.C. Section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.</p>	<p>Signature: _____</p>	
	<p>Print Name: _____</p>	
	<p>Title: _____</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p>Telephone No: _____ ()</p>		<p>Date: _____</p>

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Standard Form (SF—LLL (Rev. 7-97))

INSTRUCTIONS

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. Section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, state, and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the first tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants, and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, state, and zip code of the prime federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service.
7. Enter the federal program name or description for the covered federal action (Item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate federal identifying number available for the federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., RFP number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the federal agency, enter the federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state, and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered federal action.
(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter last name, first name, and middle initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and phone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.

Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 7 *CFR*, Section 3017.510, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 7 *CFR* Section 3017.200:

- A. The contractor certifies that it and its principals:
- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;
 - (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
 - (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.
- B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

Contractor/Company Name

Award Number, Contract Number, or Project Name

Name(s) and Title(s) of Authorized Representatives

Signature(s)

Date

Attachment J: Certificate of Independent Price Determination

Both the SFA and FSMC shall execute this Certificate of Independent Price Determination.

Name of FSMC

Name of SFA

- A. By submission of this offer, the offeror (FSMC) certifies and, in the case of a joint offer, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization that in connection with this procurement:
- A. The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently—without consultation, communication, or agreement—for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other offeror or with any competitor;
 - B. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this offer have not been knowingly disclosed by the offeror and will not knowingly be disclosed by the offeror prior to opening the case of an advertised procurement, directly or indirectly to any other offeror or to any competitor; and
 - C. No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any person or firm to submit, or not to submit, an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- B. Each person signing this offer on behalf of the offeror certifies that:
- 1. He or she is the person in the offeror's organization responsible within the organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein and has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above; or
 - 2. He or she is not the person in the offeror's organization responsible within the organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein, but that he or she has been authorized in writing to act as agent for the persons responsible for such decision in certifying that such persons have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above and as their agent does hereby so certify; and he or she has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above.

To the best of my knowledge, this vendor and its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the last three years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by state or federal law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract, except as follows (provide detail):

Signature of FSMC's
Authorized Representative

Title

Date

In accepting this offer, the SFA certifies that no representative of the SFA has taken any action that may have jeopardized the independence of the offer referred to above.

Signature of SFA's
Authorized Representative

Title

Date

Note: Accepting a Respondent's offer does not constitute award of the contract.

Attachment K: 21 Day Cycle Menu
Please attach to your Proposal

Attachment L: List of Schools

PROGRAM	GRADES	ENROLLMENT	FULL PAY	FREE	REDUCED
Animo Venice 820 Broadway St. Los Angeles, CA 90291	9 – 12	565	90	369	106
Animo Ralph Bunche 1655 27th St., Los Angeles, CA 90011	9 – 12	608	22	528	58
Anmio Jefferson 1655 27th St., Los Angeles, CA 90011	9 – 12	544	30	467	47
Animo College Prep 2265 E. 103rd St. Los Angeles, CA 90003	9 – 12	384	50	304	30