

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR INDEPENDENT EVALUATORS TO EVALUATE PROPOSALS RECEIVED FOR THE OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS CAPITAL AREA CAREER CENTERS AND YOUTH SERVICES REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Issued March 20, 2025 Response Deadline – April 3, 2025, 1:00 p.m., CST

> 9001 N IH 35, Suite 110E Austin, Texas 78753 (512) 597-7100 www.wfscapitalarea.com

A proud partner of the **americanjobcenter** network

Workforce Solutions Capital Area is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available, upon request, to persons with disabilities. Relay Texas: 1.800.735.2989 (TDD) / 711 (Voice).

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) For Independent Evaluators

The Workforce Solutions Capital Area Workforce Board ("Board") is seeking qualified individuals to serve as independent evaluators to evaluate proposals submitted in response to our Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Operation and Management of Workforce Solutions Capital Area Career Centers and Youth Services. The RFP posting can be obtained on the ESBD website, *ESBD Solicitation ID: CAREER-CENTER*.

Through this Request for Qualifications (RFQ), the Board will select up to three (3) qualified independent evaluators. Evaluators will be paid \$700 per proposal evaluated if scoring documents are received on or before the due date. This compensation is inclusive of the possible conference call.

Qualified evaluators must meet the following minimum requirements:

- Having a working knowledge and understanding of the Texas Workforce System, to evaluate proposal preferably in the areas of operation and management of career centers, youth services, procurement, or quality assurance
- Work experience in the areas of workforce development and or grant funded programs, youth services
- Prior experience in evaluating and scoring proposals for workforce, youth and or similar programs
- Proposers are required to state, within their cover letter, that they have no real or apparent conflict of interest in reviewing proposals with vendors and will consent to signing the Non-Disclosure and Conflict of Interest Agreement. If a Proposer finds that there is a conflict of interest, the Proposer must immediately recuse themselves from the evaluation
- Proposers must be available to independently evaluate proposals during the period of April 28 May 13, 2025 and,
- Proposers must be available to participate in a conference call evaluation session (if deemed necessary by the Board). The necessity for a conference call may depend on any significant variances in evaluator responses.

Anticipated Evaluation Schedule*

RFQ Release Date RFQ Response Deadline Notification of RFQ Evaluator Selection Conflict of Interest/NDA - To Be Signed Evaluation Window Independent Evaluator Scores Due Possible Evaluator Conference Call March 20, 2025 April 3, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. (CST) April 10, 2025 April 10, 2025 April 28 – May 13, 2025 May 13, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. (CST) TBD *Dates and times are subject to change. Interested parties must submit a Statement of Qualifications, Cover Letter and Resume outlining contact information and relevant experience to <u>wfs.procurements@wfscapitalarea.com</u> by **1:00 p.m., CST, April 3, 2025. Responses submitted after the Submission Deadline will NOT be considered under any circumstances.**

All responses to this RFQ will be internally evaluated for an estimated selection date of April 10, 2025. Workforce Solutions Capital Area will furnish virtual copie(s) of responsive RFP proposals, scoring documents, and instructions. All materials will be sent to selected independent evaluators via email by April 28, 2025.

Selected Independent evaluators must submit their completed scoring to <u>wfs.procurements@wfscapitalarea.com</u> by **12:00 noon, CST on May 13, 2025**.

End of RFQ Document

A proud partner of the americanjobcenter network Workforce Solutions Capital Area is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available, upon request, to persons with disabilities. Relay Texas: 1.800.735.2989 (TDD) / 711 (Voice).