

**Town of Vernon – Contract # 2067**  
**Safe Routes to School**  
**State Project No. 146-197**  
**Federal Aid Project No. PEDS (218)**  
**Invitation to Bid/Legal Notice**

The Town of Vernon, Connecticut is seeking bids from qualified vendors for the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) improvements in the vicinity of Dart Hill, Talcottville and Loveland Hill Roads. The Project involves improving safety conditions for bicycling and walking to school with proposed improvements to sidewalks, walkways, handicap ramps, signage and other safety improvements. Drainage work includes converting an existing catch basin to a manhole, 6 catch basin resets, and replacing 5 catch basin tops. A responding firm must have demonstrated experience in providing such service and adhere to standards and requirements typical for such service.

Each bidder must provide a certified check or bid bond for five percent (5%) of the bid as provided in the information for Bidders. All bonds must be from sureties listed on the most recent U.S. Treasury Circular 570. A Maintenance Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the contract sum shall be required after completion of the work and prior to final payment. Minimum Federal and State Wage Rates are required for this project.

No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of 90 days after the actual date of the opening. The allowed time of completion for work under this contract is 95 days from the notice to proceed. This project will have a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal of 12% of the construction contract value as certified by CT DOT.

DBE Submittal Requirements - The two (2) lowest bidder's DBE Commitment Approval Request form(s) meeting the established DBE contract goal percentage or Good Faith Effort (GFE) Application Request including all "backup" documentation, as applicable, are due to the Department no later than five (5) calendar days after the bid opening. It is highly recommended that all bidders complete the required documentation during their bid preparation process in order to meet the DBE submittal requirement. If not received on time your bid may be rejected as non-responsive.

Plans and Specifications for this project may be obtained by contacting Advanced Reprographics, 50 Corporate Avenue, Plainville, CT 06062, by telephone at (860) 410-1020 during normal business hours.

Questions about this RFP should be directed to David Smith, Town Engineer, by email only to [Dsmith@vernon-ct.gov](mailto:Dsmith@vernon-ct.gov) no later than Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 4:30 pm. Answers to inquiries will be posted by Thursday, July 9, 2020 on the Town's website at [www.vernon-ct.gov/legal-notices](http://www.vernon-ct.gov/legal-notices) and at the Connecticut State Dept. of Administrative Services (DAS) at <https://portal.ct.gov/das> by referencing Contract #2067. It is the sole responsibility of the respondent to review any or all addendum or question responses.

Three copies of the proposal should be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "**BID DOCUMENT – DO NOT OPEN – CONTRACT #2067 - Safe Routes to School**" on the outside of the envelope and delivered to: Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator, Town of Vernon, Memorial Building, 14 Park Place, 3rd Floor, Vernon, Connecticut 06066 no later than Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 12:00 pm. Emailed, faxed, or late bids will not be accepted.

Received bids will be opened publically on Thursday, July 16, 2020 via Zoom conferencing at 2:00 pm. Interested parties may remotely join the bid opening using the following information: **Call in Number:** 1 (929)205-6099, **Meeting Identification:** 818 9858 2984 and **Password:** 0506. Bid results will also be posted on the both the town and DAS websites.

The Selected Firm must meet all municipal, state, federal AA and EEO practices and requirements. MBE's, WBE's, and SBE's are encouraged to apply. All bidders are required to inform themselves fully of the conditions relating to the construction and labor under which the work will be or is now being performed and the contractor shall employ, as far as possible, such methods and means in the carrying out of this work as will not cause interruption or interference with any other contractor.

The Town of Vernon, prior to the awarding of any contract, may require further financial and other information from any applicant who becomes the low bidder for that contract. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals in whole or part, if in its sole determination, the proposal(s) are deemed to not be in the best interest of the Town of Vernon.

Michael J. Purcaro  
Town Administrator