

NEWS RELEASE

Public Tender Notice 16 of 2018

School Redevelopment of Elmore Stoutt High School (ESHS), Tortola, British Virgin Islands: The Government of the Virgin Islands (GOVI) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to US\$65,291,000 towards the cost of CDB No. 12/SRF-OR-BVI: Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Loan – Hurricane Irma Project and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds to this financing to eligible payments under contract(s) for which this invitation is issued. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOVI and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject, in all respects, to the term and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOVI shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Loan.

The Projects Unit of the Ministry of Finance, who is the Executing Agency, now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for the **School Redevelopment of Elmore Stoutt High School (ESHS) in British Virgin Islands.**

INSTRUCTION OF TENDERERS

Tenderers are required to furnish the following:

- (a) Certificates of Good Standing in respect of Social Security and Taxes including Payroll Taxes and Property Taxes from:
 - (i) The Director of Social Security Board; and
 - (ii) The Commissioner of Inland Revenue
- (b) Trade License (valid for 2018) (if Partnership or Sole Proprietorship)
- (c) Certificates of Good Standing from Commercial Registry (if company is a registered agent)
- (d) National Health Insurance

Note: The date issue indicated on the above mentioned certificates and license should be no earlier than one month prior to the date of submission.

- (e) Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms which are legally incorporated or otherwise organized in, and have their principal place of business in an eligible country and are either:
 - (a) more than 50% beneficially-owned by a citizen or citizens and/or bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies

corporate meeting these requirements; or

- (b) owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operated under the commercial law of an eligible country and otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of the CDB Guidelines for Procurement (2006).

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required or that do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

- (f) Tenderers are to refer to Bid Data Sheet in the tender document for full details and instructions.

The bidder shall furnish a Bid Security in the amount of 5% of his price, non-submission of Bid Security will lead to rejection of proposal.

TENDERERS MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- A. All pending litigation shall in total not represent more than **TWENTY PERCENT (20%)** of the Bidder's net worth and shall be treated as resolve against the Bidder.
- B. Minimum average annual turnover of **\$2,000,000.00**, calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed within the last **Three (3)** years.
- C. The Bidder must demonstrate access to, or availability of, financial resources such as liquid assets, lines of credit, and other financial means other than any contractual advance payments to meet:
 - i. The following cash-flow requirement:
THREE MONTHS ESTIMATED AT \$750,000.00
and
 - ii. The overall cash flow requirements for this contract and its current commitments.
- D. Experience under contracts in the role of contractor, subcontractor or management contractor for at least the last **THREE (3)** years prior to the applications submission deadline, and with activity in at least **NINE (9)** months each year.
- E. Participation as contractor, management contractor, or subcontractor in at least

ONE (1) contract within the last **FIVE (5)** years, each with a value of at least **\$1,500,000.00**, that have been successfully and substantially completed and that are similar to the proposed works. The similarity shall be based on the physical size, complexity, methods/technology or other characteristics as described in Section VI, Employer's Requirements.

- F. For the above and other contracts executed during the period stipulated in D above, a minimum experience in the following key activities:
- a. Door and Window Installation
 - b. Electrical Works
 - c. Painting

APPLICATION FOR DOCUMENTS

Bidding documents will be made available electronically upon request to procurement@gov.vg with the subject title "**Request for Bid Documents for the School Redevelopment Works of Elmore Stoutt High School in BVI – Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Loan – Hurricane Irma**". The documents will be sent electronically via email only, and under no circumstance will GOVI or the Procurement Unit, Ministry of Finance, be held responsible for non-receipt of documents by the bidder.

with effect from **Monday, 10th December, 2018** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. For additional information, the contact officer is Mrs. Ishma Rhymer, Procurement Coordinator, (telephone number: (284)-468-3701 ext. 4243.

A Pre-Tender meeting is scheduled for **Friday, 21st December, 2018** in the **Procurement/PSSU Conference Room, Qwomar Trading Building #2, 2nd Floor** at **10:00 a.m.** This will be followed by a site visit. All prospective tenderers are invited to attend.

SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

Interested tenderers should submit **one (1) original and three (3) copies plus one (1) flash drive containing the bidder's document shall also be included in the original of the bid.** The original should be placed in a sealed envelope and marked "**Original**" and the additional copies placed in another sealed envelope and marked "**Copies**". Both envelopes should then be placed in an outer envelope and marked "**Tender for the School Redevelopment Works of Elmore Stoutt High School in BVI**" and addressed to:

The Chairman
Central Tenders Board
Ministry of Finance
Procurement Unit
Qwomar Trading Building #2
2nd Floor
British Virgin Islands

All tenders must be deposited in the “**Tender Box**” at the Ministry of Finance (Procurement Unit), **RFG Place**, Waterfront, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, by the bearer not later than **10:00 a.m. AST** on **Tuesday, 22nd January, 2019**. **Tenders will not be received after the “Tender Box” is closed.**

Tenders will be publicly opened at the Ministry of Finance (Procurement Unit), **Tuesday, 22nd January, 2019 at 11:00 a.m AST**. Tenderers are invited to attend.

The Government of the Virgin Islands (British)/Ministry of Finance reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for GOVI/Ministry of Finance action. GOVI will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

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