How to Participate in the Bidding Process

The University posts all its solicitations through BidNet. BidNet is designed to notify interested suppliers of the University's intent to purchase goods or services.

Current Bid Opportunities - BidNet

[1] Participate In A Bid

[2] Current Bid Opportunities - BidNet
As of September 25, 2023, all new solicitation opportunities will be posted on the Rocky
Mountain E-Purchasing System site (BidNet). Solicitations published prior to this date remain
on CU’s Sourcing website. BidNet provides a way for local government agencies across
Colorado and Wyoming to notify suppliers of opportunities more effectively.

Suppliers must register with BidNet to access and download CU’s solicitation documents
using the link below. There is a no fee option to register and use BidNet. Suppliers may elect
to pay a fee to receive automatic e-mail notifications for solicitation opportunities applicable to
each supplier’s identified product/service offerings. It is the responsibility of each potential
supplier to monitor the BidNet website regularly for opportunities and or to review changes or
addendums to posted solicitations.

BidNet Vendor Support Phone Number: (800) 835-4603

Note: CU will not be held responsible for misinformation received from private plan holders.
Please use the BidNet site to obtain solicitation information for the University.

Bid Opportunities prior to September 25, 2023: CU Sourcing Website

Solicitations posted prior to September 25, 2023, can be found using the link above.
Solicitations published prior to this date will remain on that original site.

Construction

Construction falls under the delegation of the Office of the State Architect. For information on
construction-related matters, contact the Facilities Department on the appropriate campus.

- Boulder
- Colorado Springs
- Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus

The Procurement Service Center (PSC) administers the following types of solicitations:

Request for Information (RFI)
An informal process for solicitation or presentation of ideas from suppliers. Requests for
pricing are for budgetary purposes only.

Request for Documented Quote (DQ)
An informal process for obtaining pricing and delivery information on goods and/or services
costing more than $100,000, but less than $500,000. Detailed specifications are given. Price,
items offered, and delivery dates are supplied by the supplier. Evaluations are made against
specifications. Determination of award is based on the quote offering the best value to the
University with price as a consideration.
Invitation for Bid (IFB)
A formal process for obtaining pricing and delivery information on goods or services costing more than $500,000. Detailed specifications are given. Price, items offered, and delivery dates are supplied by the supplier. Evaluations are made against specifications. Determination of award is based on the bid offering the lowest price to the University while meeting the specifications.

Request for Proposal (RFP)
A formal process for obtaining pricing and proposals from a supplier for goods or services costing more than $500,000. Evaluations are made against defined criteria. Supplier presentations and discussion are allowed at the discretion of the University. Awards may be based on a variety of factors, including price.

Resources

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- W-8BEN-E [9] (Foreign Entity)
- W-9 [10] (US entity)
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- Credit Information [12]
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