

Beat 4 RFP – Responses to Questions

1. **Do tow contractors need law enforcement experience to bid on this procurement?**

The contract requires one year experience out of the last three years working under contract/agreement with any type of law enforcement agency.

2. **Can a contractor's existing truck from the commercial side of the business be used as a backup truck?**

All trucks used on the program must meet the minimum requirements. See section 4.0 A. Tow Truck Requirements of the Scope of Work. Extenuating circumstances dictating departure from this specification should be at the consensus of the local FSP partners. Prior to commencement of service, the FSP CHP will inspect all Primary and Back Up Tow Trucks to ensure that it meets the RFP tow truck specifications and meets or exceeds safety requirements.

Minimum Truck Requirements include:

- At a minimum should be Class A tow trucks with a minimum gross vehicle weight rating of 14,000 pounds, dual wheel chassis, and a four (4) ton recovery equipment rating.
- All trucks must be less than one (1) year old with a maximum of 50,000 miles on the chassis and working parts of the truck, at the onset of the contract
- And should have seating for five (5) adults.
- Trucks should be painted white, NO trim is allowed. Identifying company name and address is bold black 2" x 2" block lettering.

3. **Can a contractor bidding on Beat 4 propose changes to the contract?**

See section II. D of the RFP

D. Scope of Work and / or Contract Exceptions. VCTC does not anticipate making substantive changes to the standard contract in Attachment C, nor its SOW in Attachment A. Should a proposer desire exceptions or deviations to the attached contract or SOW, those must specifically be identified within the submitted proposal. Contractors that do not identify in their proposal proposed contract or SOW exceptions or deviations, will be deemed to have accepted the SOW in its entirety, as well as any and all of the contractual terms and conditions. In addition, VCTC will not entertain or negotiate exceptions or deviations not presented in the proposal and may reject proposals where identified exceptions or deviations affect terms of conditions that VCTC considers non-negotiable.

4. **Does a proposing contractor need to have a yard or facility within Ventura County?**

See 6.0 Local Office of the Scope of Work

The office shall be located within close proximity to the CONTRACTOR's Beat(s) so that CONTRACTOR can meet the requirement to provide a Back-Up Tow Truck within 45 minutes. Monetary penalties are assessed if the contractor cannot comply.

5. Can a facility or tow yard be purchased or leased after the contract is awarded?

Per the RFP requirements, the Contractor must be able to begin operations in July 2023 with a facility that meets the requirements of Section 6 of the Scope of Work and is within 45 minutes of the Beat.

6. Does the contract specify a minimum wage for FSP Drivers similar to LA Metro?

This contract does not does impose wage or labor requirements for Contractor employees beyond what is required by State and federal law.

7. Does DBE apply to this contract?

VCTC strongly encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, or DBEs, to propose or be a subconsultant on your team; however, a DBE goal for this project has not been established.