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- 1. Will bidder interviews be conducted in-person or virtually? In Person
- 2. Can the two Plans be prepared/conducted in consecutive order? Or must they be completed concurrently? They are to be completed consecutively. Rio Vista will begin in Fall 2023 and Dixon will begin in Spring 2024.
- 3. Has the Solano TA identified those community stakeholders it wishes to be included in the outreach process? Potential Identified stakeholders: City staff, Chambers of Commerce, CBOs such as Veterans groups, Meals on Wheels or other food kitchen services, etc.
- 4. Task 4 includes at least three pop-up events. Does this mean no less than three events per community or no less than three events total? No less than 3 per community at grocery stores, transit hubs, etc.
- 5. The RFP refers to "multiple group discussions" and "focus groups." Are these synonymous or separate outreach activities? Separate
 - 2 "Group Discussions" kick off and conclusion community wide events for public, stakeholders.
 - 3 5 "Focus Groups" are to be held where the community is Housing facilities or communities, Senior Centers, Veterans groups, etc.
 What is the minimum number of sessions for which the bidder should budget? Is this minimum number for each community or for the project as a whole? This is per community.
- 6. Will the consultant be responsible for conducting the survey referenced in Task 4, or only assisting with creation of the instruments and working with stakeholders for distribution? The consultant will be responsible for assisting in creation, distribution at events and discussions AND for analysis of results.
- 7. Given the relatively short project completion timeframe, would the Solano TA consider conducting the project initiation meeting virtually? Initiation meeting will be done in person.
- 8. What is the desired format for the biweekly project check-in? Virtual? In-person? Virtual
- What is the expected composition of the Project Leadership Team? Will there be a single PLT for both Plans? PLT will be different for each plan. PLT will be comprised of city staff, transit staff person, STA staff and CBO personnel.
- 10. The RFP indicates the PLT will meet monthly or every other month. When will meeting frequency be determined? At first PLT it will be determined by the group.
- 11. Should the bidder budget for in-person or virtual meetings with the PLT? Virtual
- 12. The RFP refers to "outreach to various community-based forums." Please provide some additional details re this activity. Please see answers to question 5.
- 13. With respect to the evaluation criteria on page 10 of the RFP: The last criterion is "Business presence and/or experience in Solano County (10 Points)." Will points be awarded to a bidder that is not a local business but does have experience in Solano County? Or will points only be awarded to local bidders? Points will be awarded to bidders that have experience working within Solano County, not just local bidders.
- 14. Is there a way to be involved in this project/proposal if you are lacking a qualification? Proposals will be considered on merit. Please submit proposal. Also, are there any smaller opportunities that your organization requires assistance with that may not need a RFP? STA is a government agency and typically requires a competitive process using RFPs, RFQs etc. Do you ever have or attend matchmaker type events for connections? We belong to all

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Solano County Chamber of Commerce. I signed up previously on a vendor list however, I do not see my company name showing. Requires more information. Please contact agency directly.15. Will STA accept fully loaded rates? Please submit your actual cost in accordance with the RFP.