Request for Proposals
for the
Wide Area Network Project
— Williams Library

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Josephine Community Library District (herein “JCLD,” “Library,” or “District”) invites qualified service providers to submit proposals to provide a high-speed wide area network (WAN) connection between JCLD’s main branch at 200 NW C St., Grants Pass, OR, and the new Williams Library at 20140 Williams Highway, Williams, OR.

This request for proposals adheres to the formal, competitive sealed proposal process governed by Oregon Public Contracting Law as defined in Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 279A.065 and 279B.060 and by JCLD Finance Policy 2-8, Contracts.

Proposals must be submitted on or before 5:00 pm on December 16, 2021.

Proposal schedule
The following are key dates for this proposal process and the final deliverables.

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<td>Friday, October 29, 2021</td>
<td>Publication of the FCC Form 470 #220001967 and RFP #2021-01 for the Wide Area Network Project – Williams Library</td>
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<td>Friday, November 12, 2021, 5 pm Pacific Time</td>
<td>Questions deadline for emailed questions about proposals sent to Library Director Kate Lasky at <a href="mailto:jobs@josephinelibrary.org">jobs@josephinelibrary.org</a>; please do not mail or call with questions about proposals</td>
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<td>Tuesday, November 16, 2021</td>
<td>Question responses posted to the EPC portal and RFP web page</td>
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<td>Thursday, December 16, 2021, 5 pm Pacific Time</td>
<td>Emailed proposals due at 5 pm PT to Library Director Kate Lasky at <a href="mailto:jobs@josephinelibrary.org">jobs@josephinelibrary.org</a>. Early proposals received in advance of the deadline are appreciated.</td>
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<td>Friday, December 17, 2021</td>
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<td>Friday, January 7, 2022 (tentative)</td>
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<td>Proposal review and evaluation complete</td>
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<td>Tuesday, January 18, 2022 (tentative)</td>
<td>Vendor(s) selected</td>
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<td>Thursday, February 17, 2022 (tentative)</td>
<td>Send Notice of Intent to Award to all bidders</td>
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<td>Thursday, February 24, 2022 (tentative)</td>
<td>Contract awarded</td>
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<td>Monday, January 2, 2023 (tentative)</td>
<td>Service Begins</td>
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Project goal
The goal of the Wide Area Network Project – Williams Library is to:

- Install high-speed wide area network connection between the temporary new Williams Library and the JCLD main library.
- Ensure link is installed and available by the time the new Williams Library opens (tentatively scheduled for January 2, 2023)
- Ultimately extend the high-speed wide area network connection to the permanent new Williams Library once construction is complete.

Definitions
The following definitions apply to this RFP:

**Applicant** The entity that will file E-rate forms. The Josephine Community Library District will be the applicant.

**Bid** The response of a service provider to this RFP. These responses may also be referred to as “bid responses,” “RFP responses,” “responses,” and “proposals.”

**Bid process** The term for the entire process, extending from the release of the RFP to the selection of and contracting with the awarded service provider.

**Billed entity** The entity that will pay the bills associated with this contract. The Josephine Community Library District will be the billed entity.

**Category 1** The category of services under the E-rate program that include digital transmission services and Internet access.

**EPC portal** The E-rate Productivity Center (EPC) portal (https://portal.usac.org), which is maintained by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) for the purpose of managing E-rate applications and data.

**E-rate or E-rate program** means the “Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism,” which is the funding support program established under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to provide discounts on eligible services to eligible schools and libraries.

**FCC** Federal Communications Commission.

**FCCRN** FCC Registration Number.

**Form 470** The FCC form for the E-rate program in which an applicant provides a description of the services requested and makes relevant certifications. The Form 470 supplements this RFP.

**FRN** Funding Request Number.

**Proposed contract** The contract that would result from the successful selection of a winning vendor and subsequent negotiations. The proposed contract may also be identified as the “contract” or “final contract.” These terms will be used interchangeably.

**RFP** Request for Proposals, which is the designation for this document and the associated attachments (including but not limited to the cost proposal worksheets, any Q&A documents, and any amendments). All components of the RFP are available via the FCC Form 470 filed by the Applicant covering these services.
Service provider  The entity responding to this RFP. Service providers may be identified as “service providers,” “providers,” “respondents,” “contractors,” or “vendors.” These terms are used interchangeably.

SLD  The Schools and Libraries Division of the Universal Service Administrative Company.

SPIN  Service Provider Identification Number.

Subcontractor  A person or entity performing or proposed to perform a portion of the service provider’s contract.

USAC or Administrator  The Universal Service Administrative Company, which oversees the E-rate program.

Wide Area Network  Network connections linking different Local Area Networks (LANs) together. The Wide Area Network (WAN) connection sought in this RFP is to connect first the temporary and ultimately the permanent new Williams Library to the existing JCLD Library Main Branch in Grants Pass.

Background
The Josephine Community Library District is an E-rate eligible entity which is building a new library (the “Williams Library” or “new Williams Library” to be located at 20140 Williams Highway, Williams, OR). Initially, we anticipate a temporary facility to open on the site on or around January 2, 2023, with the permanent facility (on the same property) to open approximately one year later. JCLD is already under contract for a wide area network (WAN) connecting its existing branches to the JCLD Main Branch library located at 200 NW C St., Grants Pass, OR. This RFP seeks to connect first the temporary new Williams Library and eventually the permanent new Williams Library to the existing wide area network.

About Josephine Community Library District
Josephine Community Library District serves library patrons in Josephine County, Oregon, with four branches. These branches are located in Grants Pass, Cave Junction/Illinois Valley, Williams, and Wolf Creek. The Grants Pass location is the main branch of the library. The existing Williams branch library is anticipated to close in December 2023 and be replaced by the temporary new Williams Library in the new location.

Josephine Community Library District was officially formed in June 2017, the result of a ballot measure which voters approved in May 2017. The library district is governed by an elected five-member board of directors. As a special library district, JCLD is a municipal corporation and therefore adheres to State of Oregon public contracting and public meeting laws.

About the FCC E-rate Program
Created as part of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the Universal Service Program for Schools and Libraries (more commonly known as the “E-rate”) provides discounts on eligible telecommunications, Internet access, and internal connections services to eligible entities. The program is administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), which also oversees the other Universal Service programs for the FCC.

The level of discount is based on the number of local students eligible for free and reduced lunches through the USDA National School Lunch Program. Based on this formula, JCLD has qualified for a 90 percent discount.
This RFP is part of the E-rate request for services process and is also aligned with Oregon Public Contracting Law. In order to respond to this RFP, vendors must be registered with the E-rate program and eligible to receive payments from the E-rate program.

For more information about E-rate and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), visit https://www.usac.org/e-rate/.

Scope of work

JCLD is seeking bids for a wide area network connection between its Main Branch location (located at 200 NW C St., Grants Pass, OR) and the new Williams Library (to be located at 20140 Williams Highway, Williams, OR). Initially, we anticipate a temporary facility to open on the site on or around January 2, 2023, with the permanent facility (on the same property) to open approximately one year later. This RFP seeks to connect first the temporary new Williams Library and eventually the permanent new Williams Library to the existing wide area network.

The Library is seeking bids for WAN service at 100 Mbps, 250 Mbps, 500 Mbps, and 1 Gbps. The service provider will be expected to provide a managed, end-to-end service. The handoff at each location must be a Cat 6 Ethernet cable.

The Library is also seeking bids for a one-time cost to relocate or extend the termination of the service from the temporary new Williams Library to the permanent new Williams Library once construction on the latter is completed. It is anticipated that this will be a one-time cost, and that once this relocation or extension has occurred, the recurring costs of service for the connection at the permanent location will be equal to what the recurring costs of service were for the temporary location.

In addition to the transport outlined above, JCLD requires the provider to include the following as part of the services bid:

1. Technical support services, available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
2. Proactive notification and troubleshooting in the event of a network outage
3. Bandwidth utilization reporting (preferably available via a real-time or near real-time web interface)

The services sought are summarized below:

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<th>WAN Service Summary</th>
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<td><strong>Connection Origination</strong></td>
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<td>New Williams Library</td>
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Bids at varying speeds are sought in order to allow JCLD to upgrade services during the term of the agreement.
RFP requirements
For their proposals to receive consideration, proposing service providers must adhere to the following RFP requirements.

Communications
Service providers are prohibited from having contact with JCLD regarding any RFP-related issues outside of the processes outlined below. Any contact or questions outside of these requirements, including but not limited to any contact with other staff or board members of JCLD, may be cause for rejecting that service provider’s bid(s).

Questions regarding the RFP can be submitted via email to jobs@josephinelibrary.org with the subject line “RFP 2021-01 Questions.” Questions must be submitted by the time listed in the Proposal Schedule above. Questions received after the deadline above will not be considered.

It is incumbent upon the service provider to point out any possible discrepancies, omissions, or ambiguities in the RFP using the procedure outlined above to submit questions. This includes alerting JCLD that the services requested are non-standard. By failing to do so, the service provider waives the right to claim any provision of the RFP is ambiguous.

Responses to questions will be posted as an addendum to the RFP website (https://josephinelibrary.org/about-the-library/rfp/) and to the EPC portal (https://portal.usac.org) under the Form 470 associated with this procurement. JCLD intends to have all responses posted by the time listed in the Proposal Schedule above. It is incumbent upon service providers to review these locations for addenda and to comply with the information provided in the addenda, if any. In the event of a conflict with the RFP, the addenda shall govern.

Should JCLD have questions regarding the service provider’s bid, JCLD or its representatives may reach out to the service provider during the vendor selection process for clarification. Similarly, JCLD or its representatives may contact the service provider during the vendor selection process to negotiate terms or conditions.

Contract term
The selected vendor(s) will be expected to begin providing services on January 2, 2023. The term of the initial agreement will be 30 months (terminating on June 30, 2025), with the option of five one-year extensions at or below the pricing provided in the initial contract (as negotiated by JCLD and the awarded service provider). Extensions at the prices quoted can be exercised at the sole discretion of JCLD.

Contract negotiations and award
JCLD reserves the right to determine which proposal(s), in their judgement, best meet the needs of the Library. Contract awards are subject to review and approval by governing authorities of JCLD.

JCLD reserves the right to award a contract for any or all parts of this RFP to one or more service providers, and to negotiate terms and conditions to meet requirements consistent with this RFP, the right to utilize any and all ideas submitted in the RFP process, and the right to purchase the
most cost-effective proposal(s) and not necessarily the lowest-price proposal(s) in accordance with E-rate rules where the price of E-rate eligible goods and services is the factor given the most points in the evaluation process among all the factors considered in the evaluation. JCLD will open negotiations with the service provider with the highest-scoring proposal first; should negotiations fail, JCLD will then open negotiations with the second highest-scoring proposal, and so forth until either an agreement is reached with a service provider or JCLD decides to abandon the bids.

**Additional proposal rights and requirements**

JCLD reserves the right to:

- Cancel this procurement or reject any or all proposals in accordance with ORS 279B.100.
- Reject any or all proposals not in compliance with all public proposal procedures.
- Reject any proposals not meeting the specifications set forth herein.
- Waive any or all irregularities or informalities in proposals submitted.
- Waive any or all requirements of the RFP.
- Award any or all parts of any proposal.
- Make the final selection by exercise of its own discretion for the best interest of the JCLD.

**Proposal submission requirements**

To receive consideration, proposals must be submitted as follows:

1. Proposals must include a completed copy of Appendix A of the RFP, the Cover Page.
2. Proposals must include a completed copy of Appendix B of the RFP, the SPIN Information Certification
3. Proposals must include a completed copy of Appendix C of the RFP, the FCCRN Information Certification.
4. Proposals must include a completed copy of Appendix D of the RFP, the Red Light Status Certification.
5. Proposals must include a completed copy of Appendix E of the RFP, the Debarment Status Certification.
6. Proposals must include a completed copy of Appendix F of the RFP, the Free Services Listing.
7. Proposals must include a completed copy of Appendix G of the RFP, the Duplication of Services Certification.
8. Proposals must include a completed copy of the Cost Proposal Worksheet(s) for the Model(s) proposed (see Appendix H).
9. Proposals must include a narrative that speaks to the qualifications in the Scope of Work section and Proposal Content and Evaluation Criteria section outlined in this RFP. This narrative should also describe the services proposed, the provider’s implementation plan, information about the provider’s previous experience with the E-rate program, a description of the provider’s approach to customer service (including contacts, hours of availability, and the process for escalation of concerns), references, and any exceptions to the terms and conditions included in the RFP.
10. Proposals must be received by email by JCLD by 5 pm Pacific Time on Thursday, December 16, 2021. Proposal receipt will be acknowledged by email. Early proposals received in advance of the deadline are appreciated.

11. Proposals must be a single PDF file with electronic signatures as applicable, and a single Excel worksheet (Appendix H), totaling no larger than 20MB in a single email, and sent to Library Director Kate Lasky at jobs@josephinelibrary.org. Mailed, hand-delivered, or faxed proposals will not be accepted. Late proposals will not be accepted.

12. A representative of the company submitting the proposal should be available by phone on January 3-7, 2022, as scheduled to answer questions from JCLD. Include this representative’s contact information and a direct-dial phone number for scheduling.

13. All proposing vendors will receive an email Notice of Intent to Award by February 17, 2022.

Note that the cost of preparing the proposal is the sole responsibility of the responding bidder and will not be chargeable in any manner to JCLD. Any material submitted by a proposer shall become the property of JCLD.

Proposing vendors must comply with all provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes, as well as JCLD policy.

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**Proposal content and evaluation criteria**

The Library shall evaluate all qualifying proposals that meet the Proposal Submission Requirements, outlined above, to determine which proposal best meets the needs of JCLD. Proposals that do not meet the proposal submission requirements will not be evaluated. The vendor may bid on some or all of the items in the Scope of Work. Proposals should include a narrative that addresses the following information, as JCLD shall make its selection according to these criteria:

1. **Cost of E-rate eligible goods and services: 30 points.**
   
   Provide (via the included cost proposal worksheet) the not-to-exceed fee estimates for E-rate eligible costs associated with implementing the project (or elements of the project). The not-to-exceed fee estimates must be inclusive of all fees including taxes and fees, travel expenses, telephone, and other anticipated expenses. Costs not included in the cost proposal worksheet — whether E-rate eligible or ineligible — will not be paid by JCLD.
2. **Cost of E-rate ineligible goods and services: 5 points.**
   Provide (via the included cost proposal worksheet(s)) the not-to-exceed fee estimates for the E-rate ineligible costs associated with implementing the project (or elements of the project). The not-to-exceed fee estimates must be inclusive of all fees including taxes and fees, travel expenses, telephone, and other anticipated expenses. Costs not included in the cost proposal worksheet will not be paid by JCLD.

3. **Experience of the vendor and prior experience with installing, configuring, and deploying high-speed wide area network infrastructure: 20 points.**
   - Identify the vendor’s principal(s) and provide a professional biography of less than 500 words for each, specifying relevant experience within the past five years.
   - Describe the vendor’s relevant project examples within the past five years.
   - List three references with contact information. References may be asked about work schedule adherence, quality of work, flexibility, and responsiveness to client inquiries.
   - Describe the vendor’s experience with the E-rate program over the last three years. If the vendor has been audited, red-lighted, has had funding placed on hold, or otherwise found in violation of E-rate program rules, disclose the details of the incident(s) and explain them. Describe the vendor’s safeguards for ensuring compliance with E-rate program requirements.

4. **Vendor’s approach to the project: 15 points**
   - Describe the elements of the Scope of Work that the vendor is bidding on.
   - Describe the vendor’s approach to implementing the project outlined in the Scope of Work.
   - Identify and describe any known or anticipated issues with implementing the project, the vendor’s approach to resolving those problems, and any special assistance that will be requested from JCLD.
   - Indicate any possible disruptions of existing Internet service, disruptions to general library or educational services, or the need for JCLD staff to assist in the project.

5. **Project timeline: 20 points.**
   Submit a work plan with a timeline of the deliverables outlined in the Scope of Work, with a realistic service start date for each location included in the bid. The desired service start date is January 2, 2023, and vendors committing to that date may receive more points in this category than those who cannot meet that deadline.

6. **Exceptions to RFP terms and conditions: 5 points.**
   List all exceptions to the contract terms and conditions and E-rate requirements included herein, as well as any additional contract terms and conditions proposed by the service provider. Such terms of conditions must be set forth with specificity. Service providers may not make reference to extraneous documents or attempt to incorporate documents by reference.

7. **Preference for Oregon products and services: 5 points.**
   Specify whether the vendor does business in Oregon, that is, whether it has paid unemployment taxes or income taxes in Oregon during the 12 calendar months immediately preceding submission of the proposal and whether it has a business address in Oregon [ORS 279A.120(2)].

8. **Additional information**
   Provide any other information that might assist JCLD in making its selection.
E-rate requirements
It is the intention of JCLD to apply for discounts under the E-rate program for some or all of the services sought in this RFP. Therefore all service providers responding to this RFP must participate in the E-rate program and must comply with all applicable FCC rules.

E-Rate rules are accessible via the USAC Administrator’s website (https://www.usac.org/e-rate/) and/or from the FCC website (http://www.fcc.gov). Providers must be familiar and compliant with all applicable federal E-Rate program requirements, including but not limited to the timely completion of all required service provider forms:

- Form 498 (Service Provider Identification Number and General Contact Information Form)
- Form 499-A (annual and quarterly filings to the extent they are applicable)
- Form 473 (Annual Service Provider Certification)
- Form 474, Service Provider Invoice Form, which invoices SLD for the E-Rate discount amount
- Provision of discounted bills (net of the E-Rate discounts) to the Library if requested

The service provider must agree that the parties' contract and any subcontracts, amendments, extensions, or other modifications of the contract shall be executed in compliance with all E-rate program requirements (including, but not limited to, those cited herein). Should the service provider use subcontractors, the service provider is responsible for its subcontractors’ compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements associated with the E-rate program and applicable federal, state, and local laws. In addition, the service provider must designate a single point of contact within the service provider’s organization to assist in the timely compliance with all E-rate program requirements.

Document retention, production of records, and audits
The service provider must, in compliance with E-rate program rules, retain all documentation associated with their proposal and service provided pursuant to this contract for a minimum period of 10 years after the last date to receive service (or whatever retention period is required by the rules at that time). Any and all documents that demonstrate compliance with statutory or regulatory requirements associated with the E-rate program must be retained as well.

The service provider shall produce those records upon request from either a representative of an authorized state agency, the FCC, the USAC Administrator, their subcontractors, JCLD.

In the event of an audit or other review, the service provider must receive written consent from JCLD prior to producing or submitting any documents that contain confidential information.

Lowest Corresponding Price
Pursuant to federal regulations, service providers shall not charge entities participating in the E-rate program a price above the lowest corresponding price for supported services, unless the FCC (with respect to interstate services) or the state commission (with respect to intrastate services) finds that the lowest corresponding price is not compensatory.
Eligible Services
It is the responsibility of the service provider to identify those services that are eligible and those that are ineligible in their response. Eligible and ineligible services (and related equipment) must also be explicitly identified in the RFP response. The Cost Proposal Worksheets included in this RFP contain a mechanism for separating eligible and ineligible costs. If a provider is unsure about eligibility, the provider should seek a response from the Schools and Libraries Division of USAC regarding the eligibility of the component of the service; if the provider is still unable to determine the eligibility, the service provider must call this to JCLD’s attention in the RFP response and allow the service provider and JCLD to jointly research the issue, if necessary. If any services are incorrectly identified as eligible in the bid response, the service provider must honor the discounted price generated in the Cost Proposal Worksheet for the item(s) which were incorrectly identified as eligible. JCLD will not pay prices above those generated in the Cost Proposal Worksheet.

FCCRN and “Red Light” Requirement
Any provider submitting a response must have an FCC Registration Number (FCCRN) and should be in good standing with the FCC (that is, not in “Red Light” status). The FCCRN should be included in the bid proposal and certification of the vendor’s current “Red Light” status should be included in the bid response (see Appendix D – FCC Red Light Status). Providers may obtain a FCCRN and document their “Red Light” status via the FCC website: http://www.fcc.gov. The provider will have a continuing obligation to notify JCLD of any change in “Red Light” status. Failure to maintain good standing with the FCC and to be classified as on “Red Light” status may constitute grounds for terminating the parties’ contract for cause. If a service provider that is currently on “Red Light” status wishes their bid to be considered, the provider must include with their bid response a written explanation of the circumstances that led to being placed on “Red Light” status, indicate what steps have been or are being taken to rectify the situation, and indicate how “Red Light” status would affect the service provider’s ability to provide discounts under the E-rate program. Such service providers may have their proposals rejected at the sole discretion of JCLD.

SPIN Requirement
Providers must also have an up-to-date Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN), and must maintain eligibility to provide services under the E-rate program. The provision and use of multiple SPINs is discouraged. Providers that have multiple SPINs should select a single corporate entity with a single SPIN as the prime contractor submitting the proposal to this RFP. The provider should agree that all E-rate eligible service billing resulting from a contract awarded pursuant to this RFP will be provided under this single SPIN. The provider’s SPIN should be included in the bid proposal (see Appendix B, SPIN Information Certification).

Invoicing Requirement
In compliance with E-rate program rules, applicants have the right to require vendors to bill them using either discounted invoices (the Service Provider Invoice, or SPI method) or through a reimbursement process (the Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement, or BEAR, method). JCLD intends to require the discounted (SPI) billing method.
**Service substitutions**

JCLD reserves the right to make service substitutions, as permitted under E-rate program rules, provided such substitutions are allowed by federal, state, and local law and procurement policies.

**SPIN changes**

JCLD reserves the right to change service providers if there is a legitimate reason to do so (for example, breach of contract by the service provider or an inability on the part of the service provider to perform requested services) and the service provider agrees to cooperate in this process.

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**Contract terms and conditions**

Josephine Community Library District will select and award the project contract(s) to the best-qualified proposing vendor(s). The successful bidder and JCLD will then mutually discuss and refine the scope of services for the project and shall negotiate final conditions, compensation, and performance schedule for the subsequent contracts.

The final decision of the selection of the vendor(s) to carry out the project will be made by JCLD.

The contract between the selected vendor(s) and JCLD shall include the following terms and conditions:

- The term of the agreement will match the Contract Term, above.
- The contract will be with a specific principal, and the full engagement may not be subcontracted to another party.
- The vendor’s principal(s) whose biographies have been considered during the selection process will provide supervision of project staff.
- The contract will include commercially reasonable contract terms such as insurance, warranty, and so on.
- Should the vendor fail to perform the identified scope of work or meet the established performance and quality standards, payment may be reduced or withheld; the vendor may be required to perform, at the vendor’s expense, additional work necessary to perform the identified scope of work or meet the standards; and/or the contract may be terminated and JCLD may seek damages and other relief available under the terms of the contract or applicable law.
- JCLD may cancel the contract with a 30-day written notice with no penalties.
- Materials submitted after a contract is signed shall be subject to the ownership provision of the executed contract.
- JCLD will not permit external documents, such as Master Service Agreements, to be incorporated into the contract either explicitly or by reference.
Appendix A: Proposal Cover Page

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Wide Area Network Project – Williams Library
Cover Page

This cover page must be completed and included in the bid response.

Josephine Community Library District is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from Service Providers to provide wide area network services, complying with all terms and conditions described in this RFP. Proposals will be accepted no later than Friday, December 17, 2021 at 5:00 PM Pacific Daylight Time. Proposals must be submitted in the manner and in the format set forth in the RFP. Bidders are expected to meet all bid requirements, so please review all documents and instructions closely.

By signing below, the Service Provider’s representative certifies on behalf of the Service Provider that:

- Signatory has the legal authority to bind the Service Provider responding to the RFP; to provide the services subject to the RFP, and to provide those services under the name of the holder of the Service Provider Information Number (“SPIN”) listed in Appendix B;
- Signatory has read and agrees to the Contract Terms and Conditions set forth in the RFP;
- Signatory has read and agrees to the requirements set forth in the RFP; and
- The prices in the Service Provider’s Proposal have been arrived at independently, and have not been divulged, discussed, or compared with the Proposals of other respondents. No attempt has been made or will be made to induce any other person or firm to submit or not submit a Proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.

___________________________________________________
Name of Person Signing on Behalf of Service Provider

___________________________________________________
Signature of Signatory

___________________________________________________
Signatory Email Address

___________________________________________________
Title of Signatory

___________________________________________________
Date

___________________________________________________
Signatory Phone Number
Appendix B - SPIN Number Information

Submit this Appendix filled out and included in the Service Provider’s response.

1. Provide in the following space the SPIN Number that the Service Provider will be using to provide the services subject of this RFP: ________________________________

2. Indicate the entity name associated with this SPIN number (if uncertain, this information can be found at https://slweb.usac.org/Spin/Search):
   _____________________________________________________________________

3. Provide the documentation from the USAC website proving that the entity name associated with this SPIN number is consistent with your response in Number 2 above. Check “Yes” if the documentation is provided in this Appendix:
   □ Yes  □ No
   (If “No” is checked, the RFP response may at JCLD’s sole discretion be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for award.)

4. If the name of the Service Provider responding to this RFP does not precisely correspond to the name of the entity associated with the SPIN number provided in number 1 and documented in number 3 above, an explanation must be provided as to the relationship that exists between the Service Provider responding to this RFP and the entity associated with the SPIN number that allows the Service Provider responding to the RFP to provide the services under the SPIN number provided. Please attach and include it in the Service Provider’s response, if applicable.

5. Check “Yes” to confirm that any contract resulting from this RFP will be in the name of the entity associated with the SPIN number, or the name of the entity associated with the SPIN number d/b/a name of Service Provider responding to the RFP.
   □ Yes  □ No
   If “No” is checked, the RFP response may at JCLD’s sole discretion be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for award.
Appendix C – FCC Registration Number

Submit this Appendix filled out as part of the Service Provider’s response.

Service Provider’s FCC Registration Number is as follows: ________________________________

Check here to confirm Service Provider has provided its FCC Registration Number:

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If “No” is checked, the RFP response may at the sole discretion of JCLD be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for award.
Appendix D – FCC Red Light Status

Submit this Appendix filled out as part of Service Provider’s response.

Service Provider confirms that it has not been placed on “red light” status either currently or at any time during the prior three E-rate funding years:

☐ Yes       ☐ No

If Service Provider has checked “No”, please provide relevant information regarding the circumstances that Service Provider was placed on “red light” status:

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JCLD may, at its sole discretion, fail the Service Provider if it is deemed that underlying reasons for the “red light” status to be materially detrimental to JCLD’s E-rate funding request(s).
Appendix E – Debarment Status

Submit this Appendix filled out as part of Service Provider’s response.

Service Provider certifies that neither the Service Provider or its principals; its subcontractors or their principals are or have been suspended or debarred from the E-rate program:

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If Service Provider checked “No”, the RFP response will be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for award.
Appendix F – Free Services

Submit this Appendix filled out as part of Service Provider’s response.

Service Provider certifies that there are no free products or services offered in conjunction with this proposal:

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If “No” is checked, please identify what the free products and services are in the provided space:

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The value of the free products or services listed above is as follows: $________________

Please check “Yes” or “No” to indicate that the value of the free products or services associated has been included in the Cost Proposal Worksheet:

☐ Yes  ☐ No

The Service Provider may, at the sole discretion of JCLD, be failed if JCLD deems the value or nature of the free services being offered may be materially detrimental to the E-rate funding request(s) related to this RFP.
Appendix G – Duplication of Service

Submit this Appendix filled out as part of Service Provider’s response.

Certify “Yes” if Service Provider’s Proposal does not contain any duplication of service.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If “No” is checked, the RFP response may at JCLD’s sole discretion be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for award.
Appendix H – Cost Proposal

Submit this Appendix and all relevant tabs of the Appendix H Cost Proposal Worksheet (the Excel workbook provided with this RFP) filled out as part of the Service Provider’s response.

Check here to confirm Service Provider’s understanding that JCLD will not be responsible for any costs not expressly included in the Cost Proposal Worksheet:

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If “No” is checked, the RFP response may at the sole discretion of JCLD be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for award.

Note that if “Yes” is checked, Service Provider shall be prohibited from charging JCLD any charges or fees, however labeled, not specifically set forth in the Cost Proposal Worksheet.