RFP #24-19 Answers to Clarification Questions



- 1. The maximum budget has no impact on our proposal. The Fee breakdown in our proposal, totaling \$48,691 is the guaranteed maximum amount IDG will request from the City of Peoria for services rendered on the project.
- 2. IDG has recruited four diverse students (two African American, two Hispanic) from Prairie View A&M University, School of Architecture a historically black college(HBCU). These students represent and have intimate experience with some of the diverse cultural backgrounds of community members who live, work and travel through the targeted areas of the project. Two of our students are also bilingual and speak fluent Spanish. All four students have committed to relocating to the Peoria area for the entire peroid of this project. The students will be directly involved with community members, leaders, and organizations who have a interest in the targeted areas.
- 3. IDG has partnered with Peoria Citizens Committee for Economic Opportunity, Inc. (PCCEO) which is a not-for-profit community action agency headquarted within the MacArthur Corridor. PCCEO has agreed to serve as the projects fiscal agent and take a key role in program administration. Specifically PCCEO will offer guidance and support of the program and the interns through providing access to key data it has collected from the communities affected by this project and facilitating community engagement and input into the progaming of the project and deliverables produced by the intern team. Through engagement platforms and PCCEO's history of working directly with the community members who live in the areas targeted by this project, our interns will have a greater understanding of the correct approach to take to ensure that key stakeholders such as Community members, Community business owners and entrepreneurs, City Government, Social Service Agencies, Peoria Public Schools etc... will receive an equitable outcome as a result of the work done during this project.
- 4. IDG's owner Ben McMillan III AIA, NCARB, NOMA, will serve as project manager and lead designer. Mr. McMillan will be on site and work with the interns on a day to day basis advising and monitoring work scope, programming analysis, and production for the interns throughout the project. Mr. McMillan's professional credentials are as follows: Registered Architect Illinois, #001-0238733, Registered Architect Texas, #15182, National Council of Architectural Registration Board, #550583