

**RFP 12-16, UPS and DC Power Systems Scheduled Maintenance and Services**  
**Requests for Information / Questions & Answers**

1. Inquiry regarding the requirement for Proposers to have engaged in business in the Hillsborough County area for a minimum of five (5) years.

This requirement is not intended to limit or restrict any potential Proposer. These systems are a crucial element for continued public safety which necessitates a high priority for response times. Due to past experience with a company operating from another Florida city that could not meet the necessary response times, the requirements for RFP 12-16 will remain the same.

It is the preference of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) that companies have five (5) years of work experience in Hillsborough County. However, the HCSO will not deem a proposal to be non-responsive because they do not have a Hillsborough County office. A proposal submitted in this scenario will need to provide a precise explanation of how the required response times will be met. There is space provided in Paragraph 1, Exceptions of the Proposal Response (Part D) to list any deviations upon which the proposal is based. Any additional information or options that you would like to submit for consideration/evaluation should be included in this area and will become part of your proposal response. Ultimately the Sheriff will make the final decision for what is in the best interest of the HCSO.

Proposers are encouraged to read the proposal document in its entirety.  
Submission of a signed Proposal Package indicates that all terms and conditions have been read and understood by the Proposer.