

RFP 2026-015 Public Assistance Grant Funding Application Consultant Services

#	Questions	Answers
1	To confirm, the upload on Euna OpenBids for “Completed bid/proposal package” should include A. Cost of services, B. Technical Approach, C. Experience and Qualifications of Staff, D. References, and E. Firm Industry Experience, as listed on p. 27, section 2. Narratives & Documentation.	Yes that is correct. It is not limited to only those documents though. If other documents are contained in that (e.g. supplier packet, filled in part d, affirmation, signature of acknowledgement) that is not disqualifying.
2	To clarify, section 2. Narratives and Documentation on p. 27, says to include pricing in the completed bid and Euna OpenBids says to upload as separate file. Are we to include the pricing in the completed bid/proposal package and uploading the Excel file under Pricing Matrix?	At a minimum, the spreadsheet needs to be submitted under pricing matrix. It may be included as stated above but it is not required to be uploaded in both places.
3	If a firm has a redacted copy to submit, should it be uploaded under Supplemental Documents in Euna OpenBids?	Yes. If you are having trouble uploading it, or other documents, please contact the assigned buyer and we can work out a way to send it directly.
4	Part C, Section 3. (pg. 21) includes a reference to “A. Assist with the management of FEMA and/or other federal grants and FDEM coordination along with HCSO, arranging for routine status/action plan meetings, establishing priorities, scope changes and updates at meetings.” Is HCSO currently managing any other federal grants besides FEMA grants? If so, can you please indicate which other federal grants HCSO is managing and approximate amounts?	HCSO does have other federal grants besides FEMA, but FEMA Public Assistance funding is what we are requesting consulting services for. The "and/or other federal grants" is included in case any other federal assistance for disasters comes up in the future like what happened with covid. Our other grants are not relevant to this solicitation.
5	Is there an incumbent vendor for this opportunity which is currently or has previously provided these services to HCSO? If so, what firm(s) are currently providing these services?	Yes. Berquist Recovery Consulting.
6	Can you provide the approximate amount of FEMA Public Assistance funding obligations and/or eligible expenses which HCSO is currently managing?	HCSO is working with FEMA for approximately \$4 million related to Hurricane Milton.
7	Appendix I-Supplier Application Packet, page 1 requests “Business Tax Receipt from Hillsborough County or other municipality's business license.” Is it required that the firm responding to this RFP have a Hillsborough County business license at the time of submittal or can this be applied for upon award?	That can be obtained upon award.
8	Part D – Proposal Response requires responses to be completed “in ink only,” while the RFP requires electronic submission through Euna OpenBids. Please clarify whether forms may be completed and signed electronically, or must be printed, completed in ink, scanned, and uploaded.	Typed answers and electronic signatures are acceptable
9	The link provided in the RFP’s “Supplier Packet” section on page 11 for business tax receipt information appears to be nonfunctional. Please confirm whether a Hillsborough County Business Tax Receipt is required at proposal submission or only upon award and provide the correct link or location for the applicable requirements.	That can be obtained upon award. https://www.hillstaxfl.gov/taxes/business-tax-services/ which links to: https://county-taxes.net/hillsborough/btexpress , BT express is where you would apply for the tax license.