

# **Request for Information**

## **Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)**

### **Immigration Detention Services – Multiple Areas of Responsibility**

#### **(Chicago, Detroit, St. Paul, and Salt Lake City)**

##### **A: Introduction:**

The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is issuing this Request for Information (RFI) to identify multiple possible detention sites to hold criminal aliens and other immigration violators in support of its public safety mission under the authority of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended. These sites will be located in the greater Chicago, Detroit, St. Paul, and Salt Lake City areas. Each site must be capable of providing detention, medical, and transportation services, including the physical structures, equipment, personnel, and vehicles. Detention sites must be properly staffed to maintain a safe and secure environment.

The intent of this RFI is to obtain market information in accordance with FAR 15.201(e) for planning purposes and to determine appropriate strategies to meet the Agency's requirements. ICE may release Requests for Proposals (RFP) for these potential requirements in the near future. However, this RFI is issued solely for information and planning purposes and does not constitute a Request for Proposal (RFP) or a commitment to an RFP in the future. Responses to this notice are not considered offers and cannot be accepted by the Government to form a binding contract. Responders are advised that the Government will not pay for any information or administrative cost incurred in response to this announcement and information submitted in response to this RFI will not be returned.

ICE is responsible for the detention of individuals in removal proceedings and who are amenable to removal from the US. ICE houses detainees in a variety of federal, state, local, and private facilities. Interested parties may consider existing facilities, newly constructed facilities, or a combination of the two. Facilities must provide housing, food, maintenance, laundry, utilities, and dental/medical/mental health care. Dedicated ICE facilities are preferred, but facilities shared with other detained populations will be considered as long as appropriate separation of ICE detainees is possible. The ideal facility or facilities will provide minimum, medium and maximum security beds for adult detainees (male and female). All detention operations and transportation must be provided in a manner consistent with ICE's Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011 and the DHS Final Rule, 6 CFR Part 115, *Standards to Prevent, Detect, and Respond to Sexual Abuse and Assault in Confinement Facilities*, also known as the DHS Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA).

**B. Facility Overviews:**

Area of Responsibility	Facility Capacity	Location **(Within 180 mile ground commute of the office listed below)
Chicago	400 – 1200	101 W. Congress Pkwy Chicago, IL 60605
Detroit	200 – 600	333 Mt. Elliott Street Detroit, MI 48207
St. Paul	200 – 600	1 Federal Drive Ft. Snelling, MN 55111
Salt Lake City	200 – 600	2975 Decker Lake Dr. West Valley City, UT 84119

- Multiple facilities of varying sizes that meet the capacities listed above are acceptable
- Location should be within an approximate 30-minute surface commute time of a general acute care hospital that has an emergency room, surgery, medical, and mental health services; and within an approximate 90-minute surface commute time of an ICE Air Operations Unit approved airport
- Have access to public and commercial transportation routes and services
- Serve as a transportation hub for picking up and dropping off ICE detainees
- Provide or subcontract ground transportation services required to transport detainees securely and in a timely manner to locations directed by the COR (including various appointments). Armed transportation shall be provided on a 24 hour period, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year.
- Provide medical care at the facility or facilities or subcontract the provision of medical care
- Administrative space (including parking) for ICE personnel may be required at some facilities. Specific requirements will be contained in any future Requests for Proposals. Responders should indicate if administrative space is available at a facility.

**C. Performance Expectations:**

ICE 2011 Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) - available at the following website: <http://www.ice.gov/detention-standards/2011>

Note: If you are unable to comply with PBNDS 2011, what would it take to meet these standards?

Full compliance with DHS PREA is mandatory

**D. Submission Requirements:**

Interested parties should submit the following information:

- POC information (name, title, phone number, address, email address, etc.)

- Facility address(es)

Facility information:

Percentage of proposed facility for ICE use: Up to 100%. Less than 100% is acceptable but please provide the composition of other populations and their percentage of the overall facility capacity.

Existing:

- Year built
- Capacity
- Information on the number of housing units and number of beds (by gender and classification)
- Number of medical beds and information on medical, dental, and mental health clinical space
- Photographs of the exterior and interior
- Information related to the capabilities of the facility to meet the requirements listed in the PBNDS 2011
- Availability and timing for potential ICE use

New construction/ major physical renovations:

- Status of any existing land or structures
- Information on the number of housing units and number of beds (by gender and classification)
- Number of medical beds and information on medical, dental, and mental health clinical space
- Photographs of the site(s), and 3D CAD drawings of the exterior and interior
- Information related to the capabilities of the facility to meet the requirements listed in the PBNDS 2011
- Information related to any zoning restrictions as well as National Environmental Protection Agency (NEPA) laws including a discussion on Environmental Assessments (EA), Environmental Impact Statements (EIS), and FONSI related to the new construction
- Availability and timing for potential ICE use

Multiple facilities:

- Information on how the facilities will relate to each other (e.g. in the performance of medical care and intake processing).

Transportation distance to the following (please include the name and address of closest location):

- Hospitals
- Immigration Court
- Major airports
- Train stations
- Fire stations
- Bus stations

Please describe generally the following:

Access to public and commercial transportation routes and services

Access to local consulates and pro-bono legal services

Current detention services provided to Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Customs and Border Control, Marshals, Bureau of Prisons, other

Proposed staffing, training, and ability to provide language services (interpretation and translation) for any limited English proficiency (LEP) populations

#### **E. Solicitation of cost management information**

The questions in this section are for information purposes only, and responses are voluntary.

- In the past, the Government has priced detention contracts with an all-in bed day rate. Are there other pricing structures that could be used to better distribute risk between the Government and a Contractor, which might result in better operational and business outcomes for all parties?
- The Government has various requirements for operations at its facilities. Based on your experience, which of these requirements drive the most cost? Why? Are there any changes to requirements that you might recommend that would better meet 'best value' -- i.e., by reducing cost substantially without sacrificing the effectiveness of core operations?
- The Government would like to work with its Contractors to jointly identify, plan, prioritize, and implement cost improvement initiatives throughout the period of performance. What experience does your company have in such activities? Briefly describe both your internal cost improvement capabilities and how you work with other enterprises (e.g., your customers or suppliers) to enact joint improvements.
- Does the Contractor have any innovative ideas for leveraging technology, data, or analytics in order to decrease costs or increase staff efficiency in detention facilities? Please briefly describe.

#### **F. Submission and Point of Contact Information:**

Questions and responses to this RFI should be submitted to:

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**And**

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**Please submit all responses by 14:00 Eastern Time, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to the two email addresses listed above.**

Please indicate in the subject line of your email which AOR your response is applicable to (Chicago, Detroit, St. Paul, or Salt Lake City). Example: **Subject: *Response to RFI – Chicago***