

Purchasing Department

116 West Jefferson Street
Thomasville, Georgia 31799
229-225-4100



April 9, 2024
INVITATION TO BID
Ambulance

You are invited to submit a sealed bid for providing the following **Ambulance** for the Thomas County Board of Commissioners. Attached are the general conditions, standard instructions, bid specification, and bid form. Variation from the given specifications should be noted on the bid form with an explanation of said variation(s) attached. Bids are to be marked with bidder's name and address and labeled: "**Bid for "Ambulance"**" and mailed or delivered to the following address no later than 1:00 p.m.; local time, Friday, **May 10, 2024**.

Deadline for receiving bids:	<u>05/10/2024</u> (date)	<u>1:00 p.m.</u> (time)
Bid opening:	<u>05/10/2024</u> (date)	<u>1:00 p.m.</u> (time)
Committee Review:	<u>06/04/2024</u> (date)	<u>8:30 a.m.</u> (time)
Tentative Award Date:	<u>06/11/2024</u> (date)	<u>2:00 p.m.</u> (time)

Address all bids to:

THOMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEALED - Bid for "Ambulance"
ATTN: PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
P.O. Box 920
116 West Jefferson Street, Room 220
Thomasville, Georgia 31799

Any inquiries concerning this bid should be made to Nisha Thurman, Purchasing Agent, at the above location or at (229) 225-4100. Nisha.thurman@thomascountyga.gov.

PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT OF THIS INVITATION TO BID.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

No bids received after said time or at any place other than the time and place stated in the notice will be considered.

WITHDRAWAL OF BID:

A bidder may withdraw his bid before the expiration of the time during which bids may be submitted without prejudice to the bidder, by submitting a written request of withdrawal to the Thomas County Board of Commissioners, Purchasing Department.

REJECTION OF BID:

Thomas County may reject any and all bids, and must reject a bid of any party who has been delinquent or unfaithful in any formal contract with Thomas County. Also, the right is reserved to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid in the bidding procedure. Thomas County will be the sole judge which bid is best, and in ascertaining this, will take into consideration the business integrity, financial resources, facilities for performing the work, and experience in similar operation of the various bidders.

STATEMENT OF EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS:

The bidder may be required, upon request, to prove to the satisfaction of Thomas County that he/she has the skill and experience and the necessary facilities and ample financial resources to perform the contract(s) in a satisfactory manner and within the required time. If the available evidence of competency of any bidder is not satisfactory, the bid of such bidder may be rejected, the successful bidder is required to comply with and abide by all applicable federal and state laws in effect at the time the contract is awarded.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT:

By submitting a bid, the bidder represents and warrants that such bid is genuine and not fraudulent or collusive or made in the interest or in behalf of any person not therein named, and that the bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a fraudulent bid, or any other person, firm or corporation to refrain from bidding and that the bidder has not in any manner sought by collusion to secure to that bidder any advantage over any other bidder.

INTEREST OF:

By submitting a bid, the bidder represents and warrants that neither a commissioner nor Chairman of Thomas County has, in any manner, an interest, directly or indirectly in the bid or in the contract that may be made under it, or in any expected profits to arise therefrom.

DOCUMENTS DEEMED PART OF THE CONTRACT:

The notice, invitation to bidders, general conditions, and instructions for bidders, special conditions, specifications, bid and addenda, if any, will be deemed part of the contract.

STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. The written specifications contained in this bid will not be changed or superseded except by written addendum from Thomas County. Failure to comply with the written specifications for this bid may result in disqualification by Thomas County.
2. All goods and materials will be F.O.B. Thomas County Board of Commissioners - Fleet Maintenance 400 Joiner Road, Thomasville, Georgia, in Thomas County and no freight or postage charges will be paid by Thomas County unless such charges are included in the bid price.
3. All bids must be sealed, received and in-hand at bid due date and time. Each bidder assumes the responsibility for having his/her bid received at the designated time and place without consideration, regardless of the postmark. Thomas County accepts no responsibility for mail delivery.
4. Each bid form submitted must include the name of the business, mailing address, the name, title and signature of the person submitting the bid. When submitting a bid package to Thomas County, the first page of your bid package should be the Bid Form listing price, delivery, etc. unless the bid form is requested to be in a separate sealed envelope.
5. No bids received after said time or at any place other than the time and place stated in the notice will be considered.
6. Thomas County may reject any and all bids, and must reject a bid of any party who has been delinquent or unfaithful in any formal contract with Thomas County. Also, the right is reserved to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid in the bidding procedure. Thomas County will be the sole judge as to which bid is best, and in ascertaining this, will take into consideration the business integrity, financial resources, facilities for performing the work, and experience in similar operation of the various bidders.
7. Telephone bids will not be accepted unless stated in invitation. **FAX BIDS & E-MAIL BIDS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.**
8. No sales tax will be charged on any orders. Thomas County is exempt as outlined by Georgia State Law.
9. Bidders will state delivery time after receiving order.
10. Unless otherwise stated, all bids submitted will be valid and may not be withdrawn for a period of 90 days from the due date of the bid.
11. Any bidder who wishes to receive a bid tabulation is required to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. The results will be mailed after tabulation is complete. Results of the bids will not be available orally.
12. All responses must be submitted on the provided bid format. Exception from this format will not be accepted. Any offeror who believes that the bid format is unclear shall submit all questions upon receipt.

**Thomas County EMS Ambulance
Minimum Specifications
General Descriptions**

Chassis/Cab Specification

2024 or Current Year Model Dodge 84500 HD Regular Cab - 4x2 - SLT Trim Level or equivalent with Ambulance Package

192.5" Wheelbase, 16,500# GVWR
6.7L 16 Cummins Diesel Engine - 325HP@ 42,900 rpm/ 450 lb.-ft. Torque@ 1,600 rpm
6-speed Aisen Automatic Transmission
7,000 # front GAWR
12,000 # rear GAWR
4.10 Rear Axle Ratio
LT225/70R19.5E BSW All-season Radial Tires, including spare
40/20/40 Cloth Bench Seat (center section deleted)
52 Gallon fuel tank
Air Ride System

Quick Order Package: bright front bumper; bright grille; exterior mirrors with supplemental signals; exterior mirrors courtesy lamps; exterior mirrors with heating element; power black trailer tow mirrors; power locks; remote keyless entry; temperature and compass gauge.

Ambulance Prep Group: dual alternators - 440 Amps total; electronic monitoring module; voltage monitoring with auto idles up.

Cold Weather Group: engine block heater (wired to shoreline with switch in cab); winter front grille cover.

Mud Flaps: Rubber, anti-sail type behind dual rear wheels.

Suspension: Liquid Spring CLASS®

Running Boards: Aluminum diamond treadplate, driver and passenger sides.

Wheels Inserts: Stainless steel wheel inserts, QVM approved.

PATIENT MODULE

Module: 169" x 96" All Aluminum
Headroom: 72" interior with crowned roof to inhibit the pooling of water.

Location	Dimensions - H x W x D	Shelf/Divider
Street Side Front (S1)	72" x 20" x 22"	(1) Divider
Street Side Intermediate (S2)	38" x 44" x 21"	(1) Adjustable Shelf
Street Side Rear (S3)	38" x 40" x 21"	(1) Adjustable Shelf
Curb Side Front (C1) ALS	57" x 20" x 35"	(2) Adjustable Shelves
Curb Side Rear (C3)	72" x 20" x 21"	(1) Divider

Bumper/Step: Rear with center flip-up non-skid expanded metal.

Compartments: Finished with gray Scorpion coating.

Door Handles: **Paddle style. Eberhard "Easy Grabber"**

Door Holders: Cast "Grabbers" (2) on rear door
Spring-style on side and compartment doors

Door Panels: Reflective chevrons on lower panels, upholstery on upper panels

Ori-Deck: Black Ori-Deck mats for all compartment floors and shelves.

Fenderettes: Rubber.

Floor: Composite, non-wood.

Insulation: Polyfiber

Kick Panel: Aluminum diamond plate.

Skirt Rails: C-Channel with reflective orange/white striping.

Spare Tire: Ship loose.

SplashShield: Polished aluminum splash shield underneath fuel fill.

StoneGuards: All four corners, aluminum diamond plate.

Windows: Enlarged curb side and rear doors, uppers only, Curb Side - fixed, dark tint Rear - fixed, dark tint

ELECTRICAL

AM-FM:	(2) speakers wired to OEM AM-FM radio. Speakers mounted above rear entry doors with Fader switch in Action-Area.
Antenna Cables:	(1) routed from ceiling to behind passenger seat. (1) routed from ceiling to behind Action Area.
Batteries:	(2) OEM under the hood
Back Up Alarm:	Sounds when vehicle is placed in reverse gear. Automatic re-set switch on front control panel.
Circuit Board:	Printed circuit board with self-diagnostic LED indicators and auto-resetting pole style circuit breakers. Mounted in exterior compartment.
Clock:	Intellitec digital clock with timer installed in Action Area.
Console, Front:	Constructed of aluminum with gray Scorpion coat finish. Console houses front switch panel and siren. Includes dual cup holders and map/clipboard slots.
Control Panels:	Front and rear control/switch panels with low-voltage, full size rocker switches with integral on indicator light. All switches labeled.
Exhaust Vent	12-volt power exhaust vent in patient compartment.
Gauges:	Digital volt/ ammeter on front console.
Heat/Cool:	Hose line Combo located at top of right front cabinet. Auxiliary condenser mounted underneath of body. Digital thermostat in Action Area.
Inverter:	Dimensions Unlimited 1,200 watt with integral battery charger,
Lighting, DOT Required:	Whelen 6L LED stop/tail - turn signals - back up lights with housing. (7) LED ICC marker lights front (red) and rear (amber). LED license plate light.
Lighting, Interior Dome:	(8) Whelen LED lights mounted in headliner, (4) over cot, (4) over squad bench.

Lighting, non-emergency:

- Action Area:** (3) 2" round LED light to illuminate Action Area tray.
- Stepwell:** (1) 2" round LED light to illuminate side entry step area when side door is opened.
- Scene Lights:** (4) Whelen 9H, 13-degree angle, (2) each side. Rear light on each side illuminated when vehicle is placed in reverse gear.
(2) Whelen 9H, 26-degree angle, on rear. Lights illuminate when vehicle is placed in reverse gear.
- Spot Light:** (1) Hand held, hard-wired in cab.
- Shoreline Inlet:** 20 Amp Auto-Eject. GFI protected circuit.
- 110 Volt Outlets:** (7) duplex outlets wired to shoreline and inverter.
- 12 Volt Outlets:** Cigar lighter style. (1) Action Area and (1) RF ALS cabinet.
- 12 Volt Pre-Wire:** Pre-wire for VHF radios with antennas. Pre-wire for Motorola radio with antennas.

AUDIO-VISUAL WARNING

- Headlight Wig-Wag:** Electronic flasher for OEM high beam headlights.
- Grille Lights:** (2) Whelen ION Super-LED warning lights with chrome trim flange. Red LED with clear lens.
- Intersection Lights:** (2) Whelen 7L Super-LED warning lights with chrome trim flange. Red LED with clear lens.
- Front, Light Wall:** (5) Whelen 9L Super-LED warning lights with chrome trim flanges mounted on the front of the modular. (4) Red LED with clear lens.
(1) Clear LED with clear lens
- Side Lights:** (2) each side Whelen 9L Super-LED warning lights with chrome trim flange. Red LED with clear lens.

- Rear Lights (Upper):** (2) Whelen 9L Super -LED warning light s with chrome trim flanges. Red LED with clear lens. Mounted rear upper outer corners.
(1) Whelen 9L Super-LED warning light with chrome trim flange mounted over rear doors. Amber LED with clear lens.
- Rear Lights (Lower):** (2) Whelen 9L Super-LED warning light s with chrome trim flanges. Mounted mid-height to show through rear door windows. Red LED with clear lens.
- Siren:** Whelen W S -295HFS located in front switch console. Hands free operation and LED speaker test indicators.
- Siren Speakers:** Dual CPI 100 Watt Speakers mounted in front bumper.

OXYGEN / SUCTION

- Suction System:** Rico RS-4X System connected to 12- v o lt Gast suction pump. Vacuum outlet in Action Area.
- Oxygen Bracket:** Zico Multiversal Bracket with straps.
- Oxygen Outlets:** (2) Ohio style fitting in action area. (1) at head of squad bench.
- Oxygen Regulator:** (1) 50 psi oxygen regulator.
- Oxygen Wrench:** Cylinder changing wrench.
- Portable Oxygen:** (1) CPI dual bottle bracket.

CABINETS & HARDWARE

- Cabinets:** .75" plywood cabinets with high pressure laminate finish. 2-tone gloss laminate - white/gray.
- Layout:** ALS front cabinet with inside/outside access through curb side front compartment. CPR seat with fixed back rest. Rear telemetry area. Refer to drawings for exact layout and dimensions.
- Action Area:** Solid surface Action Area.
- Assist Handles:** (1) "V" shaped handicap style on each entry door. Coated Safety Yellow.
- Attendant Seat:** High back captain's chair with integral child safety seat. **Biohazard-**

Sharps:	Biohazard and sharps container at head of squad bench.
Bulkhead:	Walk-Through design with door.
Cot Fastener:	Antler style. Dual position.
Cot Fastener mount:	Center-mounted POWER-LOAD FASTENER SYSTEM
Or	
Cot Fastener pre-wired:	Pre-wired for install of POWER-LOAD FASTENER SYSTEM
Drawer:	Pull out drawer underneath forward Action Area.
Dry Erase Board:	Dry erase boards on squad bench wall and Action Area wall.
Floor Covering:	Lon Plate II, coved up sidewalls 3".
Glove Holder:	Cabinet for (4) disposable gloves over the side entry door.
Grab Rail:	72" overhead, 1" diameter handicap style rounded ends. Powder coated Safety Yellow.
Headliner:	Two-piece fiberglass.
I.V. Holders:	(2) Recessed with rubber stabilizer arm.
Monitor Bracket:	Life Pak 15 defibrillator/monitor bracket. Swivel style installed in
Telemetry Area.	
Net:	Black safety net installed at head of squad bench.
Plexiglas:	All Sliding Plexiglas is 3/16" thick, clear. All sliding doors have full height extruded aluminum pull handles.
Post/Wheel Cups:	Installed on squad bench for auxiliary stretcher.
Seat Belts:	6-point safety harness installed at seating positions 1 and 2 on squad bench. 6-point safety harness installed on CPR seat. In addition, (3) restraint belts on squad bench to secure stair chair or spine board.
Squad Bench:	Single lid with one -piece seamless cushion and seamless backrest.
Waste Container:	Installed on curb side entry door with holder.

PAIN. DECALS, LETTERING

Chevrons: Reflective orange/white chevrons installed on lower patient entry door panels in inverse "V" design.

Decals: Star of Life Package, (shipped loose) includes:
(2) 4" Star of Life decals for front hood area
(2) 12" Star of Life decals for rear of body.
(2) 16" Star of Life decals for side of body
(1) Ambulance (in reverse) decal for front hood
(3) Ambulance decals for sides and rear of body.
(1) 36" Star of Life for modular body roof. Installed.

Graphics: Graphics to match current fleet.

Paint: OEM white on chassis and modular body.

Stripe: To match current fleet

Signs: (2) "No Smoking - Oxygen Equipped"
(2) "Use of Seat Belt Required"

A. Exceptions

1. All exceptions will be noted on the applicable specification sheet

B. Thomas County bid forms shall be completed and submitted

1. The price sheet will be the first sheet of the package.
2. A detail list of exceptions will be listed on a separate sheet and attached as the second sheet of the package.
3. There shall be copies of the Warranty statements included with the bid documents.
4. Submit detailed drawings/brochures of Ambulance.

Thomas County Board of Commissioner

BID FORM

Emergency Ambulances

To: Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Pursuant to the invitation to bid and the instructions to Bidders and according to the specifications attached, the below stated bidder submits the following prices for an Ambulance:

_____ does hereby propose the following:
(Name of Bidder)

Base Price without POWER-LOAD Fastener System _____

Base Price w/center-mounted POWER-LOAD Fastener System _____

Base Price w/pre-wired for install of POWER-LOAD Fastener System _____

OPTIONS:

a) _____ \$ _____

b) _____ \$ _____

c) _____ \$ _____

Grand Total:

\$ _____

Estimated Delivery Time:

CHASSIS/MAKE: _____

MODEL/TYPE: _____

AMBULANCE BRAND: _____

It is agreed by the undersigned bidder that the signature and submission of this bid represent the bidder's acceptance of all terms, conditions and requirements of bid specifications and, if awarded, the bid will represent the agreement between the parties.

Company Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Signed: (sign manually, in ink): _____

Name Printed: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee	
Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)		Requester's name and address (optional)
City, state, and ZIP code		
List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									

Employer identification number									

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.