

Fountaindale Public Library District

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Ford Transit Connect Bid

Fountaindale Public Library District (the "Library District") will accept bids for the following vehicle and optional service plan. Visit www.fountaindale.org to view this document online.

1. New 2022 or New 2023 Ford Transit Connect (Quantity of 1)
XL Wagon LWB
XL 6 Passenger
8 SPD Auto Transaxle

2. Ford Protect ESP Only (Quantity of 1) (OPTIONAL)
PremiumCARE
Eight (8) Years
100,000 Miles
\$0 Deductible

The Library District may consider the purchase of this service plan as an optional add-on.

Questions: All questions related to this bid must be submitted in writing no later than 12:00 PM CST on Thursday, December 29, 2022 to Paul Mills at pmills@fountaindale.org. Answers will be provided on the library's website no later than 5:00 PM CST on Friday, December 30, 2022.

Submission Deadline: Sealed Bids are due no later than 3:00 PM CST on Thursday, January 5, 2023. Each bid shall be placed in a sealed envelope and clearly addressed to: Fountaindale Public Library District, 300 W. Briarcliff Road, Bolingbrook, IL 60440., Attention: Paul Mills. and marked on the outside "FPLD Ford Transit Connect Bid". No responsibility shall be attached to any person for premature opening of a bid not properly identified.

Late bids shall be rejected and returned to the bidder. This deadline is absolute and bids received after the due date and time shall not be considered. Bidders must select a method of delivery that ensures bids will be delivered to the correct location by the submission deadline.

Bids must be submitted for the vehicle and optional service plan listed on page 1 of this bid document. Bids must include costs for the vehicle and optional service plan, as well as a total cost and shipping (if any). All guarantees and warranties should be stated in writing and submitted as part of the bid. Bids must be held firm for 60 days. Delivery of the vehicle and optional service plan must be accomplished within 60 days of award. Bids must identify any items or specifications that would preclude delivery within this 60-day timeframe. Bid documents, information, and answers to questions may be obtained by contacting pmills@fountaindale.org

Opening of Bids: Bids will be opened on Friday, January 6, 2023 at 9:30 AM CST in Meeting Room A at 300 West Briarcliff Road, Bolingbrook IL 60440. Bids will be evaluated in private and bid information will be kept confidential until an award is made.

Award Date: The award date will be Thursday, January 19, 2023 at the Fountaindale Public Library District's Board Meeting at 300 W. Briarcliff Road, Bolingbrook, IL 60440.

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The Library District reserves the right to reject all Bids or to waive any or all technicalities in any Bids in its best interest. This Request for Bids does not constitute a commitment by the Library District to award a contract and the Library District reserves the right to cancel this Request for Bids.

Evaluation of Bids: The Library District will evaluate Bids based on prices, vendor's qualifications, and additional factors deemed relevant. The award shall be made on the bid that, in the sole determination of the Library District's Board of Trustees, serves the best interest of the Library District.

Confidentiality: As a unit of local government, the Library District is subject to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* as amended. Therefore, after award of the contract, responses, documents, and materials submitted by the Bidder in response to this bid will be available for public inspection in accordance with FOIA. Based on the public nature of bids, where applicable, a Bidder must inform the Library District, in writing, of the exact materials in the offer which it claims are exempt from disclosure pursuant to FOIA.

Negotiations: The Library District reserves the right to negotiate specifications, terms and conditions which may be necessary or appropriate to the accomplishment of the purpose of this project. The Library District may require the entire proposal be made an integral part of the resulting contract.

Eligibility to Enter into Public Contracts: The successful Proposer must be eligible to enter into public contracts and shall not be barred from contracting with any unit of state or local government as a result of a violation of either Section 33E-3, or 33E-4 of the Illinois Criminal Code, or any similar offense of "Bid-rigging" or "Bid-rotating" of any state or of the United States.