

Ventura County Community College District

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

February 10, 2022

TO: All Bidders

FROM: Spencer Herson, Purchasing Specialist

SUBJECT: Bid 632 Police Vehicles – Ford Explorer Intercept

Enclosed is a packet for **Bid 632 District Police Vehicles – Ford Explorer Intercept or equal**. This bid packet includes the General Instructions to Bidders, Specifications Sheet, Bid Proposal Form, Bid Price Sheet, Drug-Free Workplace Certification, Non-Collusion Affidavit, and Affirmative Action Form, all of which are required with the bid pricing proposal submitted by your company.

The bid packet may be downloaded from the Ventura County Community College District - Purchasing Department website at: https://purchasing.vcccd.edu. No fax or electronic bids will be accepted.

All bid responses must be clearly marked with the bid number and title and returned in a sealed envelope to the Purchasing Department at 761 E. Daily Drive, Suite 200, Camarillo, CA 93010, on or before **3:00 pm, Thursday, February 24, 2022** to be considered, at which time proposals will be opened.

The bid award shall be subject to final agreement on terms, conditions, and scope of work between VCCCD and Bidder.

It is the responsibility of the Bidder to verify that their proposal has been received by the VCCCD Purchasing Department prior to the opening date. Verification of receipt can be made through the listed Purchasing Specialist.

Thank you for your interest in submitting a proposal for this equipment. If you choose not to participate in this particular bid, please sign and return the Bid Form stating "No Bid". Your company will remain on our active bid list. If you would like to have your company name removed from our list of prospective bidders, you may state so on the Bid Form.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 805-652-5561 or spencer_herson1@vcccd.edu
Sincerely,

Spencer Herson, Purchasing Specialist

VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1. **Definitions:** The following terms shall be given the meaning shown, unless context requires otherwise or a unique meaning is otherwise specified.
 - a. "Bid" means an offer, made in response to a solicitation, to perform a contract for services, labor or to supply goods or materials at a specified price.
 - b. "Bidder" means a supplier who submits a bid to the District in response to a solicitation.
 - c. "Purchasing Specialist," means the Ventura County Community College District authorized contracting official.
 - d. "District" means Ventura County Community College District.
- 2. **Bid Packet:** This Bid Packet consists of the following: Cover Letter, General Instructions, Bidder Instructions (if applicable), Bid Specifications, Bid Form, Price Sheet and Drug Free, Non-Collusion & Affirmative Action forms.
- 3. **Bid Proposal:** Bid proposals, to receive consideration, should be made in accordance with the following instructions:
 - a. All items on the Pricing Form should be filled out. Numbers should be stated in figures and written amount. If there is a discrepancy between the written amount and figure amount, the written amount will prevail. All pages of the pricing forms are to be initialed and the signatures of all individuals must be in longhand. The completed form should be without interlineations, alterations or erasures. Any corrections must be noted by affixing, in the margin immediately opposite the correction, the initials of the person signing the bid.
 - b. Should a Bidder find discrepancies and/or omissions from the drawings or documents, or should be in doubt as to meaning, the Bidder should contact the Purchasing Specialist listed in the Bid Packet. All inquiries will be answered in writing and distributed to all Bidders in the form of addenda to the bid. Neither the District nor its representative will be responsible for any oral instructions. No addenda will be issued later than Five (5) Days prior to the date set for the opening of bids. Inquiries affecting bids will be answered in writing and distributed to all Bidders in the form of addenda to the bid.
 - c. All addenda or bulletins issued during the bidding period are to be considered part of the bid and be included in the bid proposal.
 - d. Bid proposals, enclosed in a sealed envelope, shall be addressed and delivered to Ventura County Community College District Service Center, Attn: Purchasing Department, 761 E Daily Dr., Ste 200, Camarillo, CA 93010, before the time stated in the Bid Packet. <u>Each envelope shall bear the Number of the Bid, Title of the Bid and the Name of the Bidder</u>. **No electronic (e-mail) or fax bids or amendments to bids shall be accepted.** All bid proposals must include a signed and dated Bid Form to be eligible for consideration. Bid Form must be signed by a responsible officer of the bidding company in order to be considered.
- 4. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to verify that their Bid has been received by the District's Purchasing Department prior to the bid opening. Verification of receipt can be made through the Purchasing Agent/ Buyer listed in the Bid Packet.
- 5. Specifications: The use of a manufacturer, product brand name or make in the specifications is not intended to restrict Bidders. The specification establishes the character or quality of the article desired. Alternative materials or goods on which other proposals are submitted must, in all cases be equal or exceed in every detail to the item specified. Bid must clearly state the brand, make or model number. Alternative goods and materials are subject to review and must be approved prior to the final award. All relevant technical specification sheets must be included in the Bid Proposal submitted The District, for inspection and specification testing, may require samples of bid items. Samples furnished must be free of expense to the District. Samples furnished must also be identical in all respects to the products specified in the bid. Samples, if not destroyed by tests, and if requested, will be returned at the Bidder's expense. All goods furnished under this contract shall be newly manufactured goods. Used or reconditioned goods are prohibited, unless otherwise specified.

- 6. **Prices:** Prices shall be shown on the Pricing Form for each individual item. Appropriate sales tax shall be included at the correct rate at the time of order, unless otherwise specified. Pricing should be valid for the period as indicated in the bid proposal/pricing forms.
- 7. **Quantity:** All quantities are estimates and may vary upon actual ordering of units. The District reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities, all or part of the items may be awarded. Over shipments will be returned at the Bidder's expense.
- 8. **Delivery:** Time and manner of delivery are essential factors in proper performance under the contract. Promptness of delivery may be a factor in awarding the bid. Unless otherwise specified, the Bidder(s) shall be responsible for delivery and shall pay all costs, including drayage, freight, packing and insurance costs for delivery FOB Destination as specified in the bid. Where specific authorization is granted to ship goods FOB Point of Origin, Bidder(s) agrees to prepay all shipping charges, routing the least expensive method. Each invoice will list shipping charges as a separate line item on the invoice and shall include the original or a copy of the freight bill (excluding postal charges). No COD shipments will be accepted.
- 9. Contract Renewal: The term of the contract as stated in bid documents and may be extended for additional periods. Per Education Code § 81644 contracts for goods and materials may not exceed three (3) years, contracts for services may not exceed five (5) years. Bidder and the Purchasing Specialist, representing the District, must mutually agree upon allowances for manufacturer price increases and decreases, which must be accepted prior to renewal of contract.
- 10. Prevailing Wage: In accordance with Section §1771 of the California Labor Code, except for public works projects of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or less, as defined in Section §1720, not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for work of a similar character in the locality in which the public work is performed, and not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday and overtime work fixed as provided in this chapter, shall be paid to all workers employed on public works. This section is applicable only to work performed under contract, and is not applicable to work carried out by a public agency with its own forces. This section is applicable to contracts let for maintenance work.

In accordance with Section §1773 of the California Labor Code, the Bidder shall post a copy of the determination prevailing rates of wages at each job site. A copy of these determinations, entitled "PREVAILING WAGE SCALE" is available to any interested party through the internet at: www.dir.ca.gov. The Bidder and any Subcontractor(s) shall not pay less than the specified prevailing rates of wages to all workers employed by them in execution of the contract when applicable.

Each Bidder submitting a proposal to complete the work must be a current registered contractor with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code §1725.5("DIR Registered Contractor"). A Bidder who is not a DIR Registered Contractor when submitting a proposal for the work is deemed 'not qualified" and the proposal of such a Bidder will be rejected for non-responsiveness. In accordance with Section §1770 of the CA Labor Code, the Contractor shall post a copy of the determination prevailing rates of wages at each job site. In accordance with the provisions of CA Public Contract Code §22300, substitution of eligible and equivalent securities for any monies to ensure performance under the contract will be permitted at the request and expense of the Contractor. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bid proposals or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid proposal or in the bidding

- 11. **Workers Compensation:** Section 3700 of the Labor Code requires every employer to be insured against liability for Worker's Compensation or to undertake self insurance in accordance with provisions of that code. Bidder must comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this Contract.
- 12. **References:** Bidder may be required to provide a reference list of current customers using materials, goods or services similar to those specified in the bid.
- 13. Withdrawal of Bid: Bid proposals may be withdrawn by the Bidder prior to, but not after the scheduled opening by notifying the Purchase Specialist listed in the Bid Packet. It shall be at the sole discretion of the District to allow Bidder to withdraw a bid. If evaluation and award of the bid will be based on award of "all or none" of the items or services, the withdrawal must be for the entire bid. If the evaluation and award of the bid will be based on line items, sections, combination of items, the District may consider permitting withdrawal of specific line item(s), sections combinations of items or services.

- 14. **Opening of Bid Proposals:** Bid proposals will be opened and read at or shortly after the time set in the advertised Notice Inviting Bids, unless otherwise stated in the Bid Packet. Bidders or their representatives, and other interested persons, may be present at the opening of bid proposals. Bid proposals that arrive after the time set for bid opening will be returned to the vendor unopened and considered non-responsive.
- 15. **Bidders Interested in More Than One Bid:** No person, firm or corporation shall be allowed to make, file, or be interested in more than one bid for the same work unless alternate bids are specifically stated.
- 16. Award or Rejection of Bids: The bid, if awarded, will be awarded to the lowest responsible Bidder(s) by section or by total bid in compliance with these instructions. All items in a section must be completed for a section to be considered for award, unless otherwise stated. In the event that this bid calls for the acquisition, procurement or maintenance of electronic systems, data processing, electronic telecommunication, supporting software, related materials, goods and/or services, a community college district may contract with one of the three lowest responsible competitive proposals or bids per Education Code § 81645. The competency and the responsibility of Bidder(s) will be considered in making the award of Bid. Prior to bid award, the District may require the Bidder(s) to furnish evidence satisfactory to the District that it has sufficient means and experience in the type of work called for to assure completion of the contract in a satisfactory manner. The District reserves the right to reject the bid of any Bidder(s) who have previously failed to perform properly or to complete on-time contracts with the District. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or alternates and waive any informality or irregularity in the bid or in the bidding. All or part of the bid may be for one or more colleges.
- 17. **Form of Contract:** The form of contract which, the successful Bidder, will be awarded is a District Purchase Order referencing bid specifications and other contract documents.
- 18. **Hold Harmless:** The Bidder shall hold the Ventura County Community College District, its officers, agents, servants and employees harmless from liability. The Bidder agrees to protect the District against all claims, suits, or proceedings for patent, trademark, copyright or franchise infringement arising from the purchase, installation or use of services or goods and materials purchased herein. The Bidder further agrees to assume all expenses and damages arising from such claims, suits and proceedings.
- 19. **Anti-Discrimination:** Bidder hereby certifies that in performing services or providing materials or goods for the District, there shall be no discrimination in hiring or employment practices because of sex, race, color, ancestry age, national origin, disability, disabled veteran status, or religious creed. The Bidder further agrees to comply with all applicable Federal regulations and California Fair Employment Practice Act.
- 20. Invoices and Payments: Unless otherwise specified, the Bidder shall render invoices for materials, goods and services under the contract to the Ventura County Community College District Service Center, Accounts Payable Department, 761 E Daily Dr., Ste 200, Camarillo, CA 93010. Invoices shall be submitted on a form acceptable to the District under the same firm name as shown on contract. All invoices, packing lists, packages, and shipping notices shall contain the applicable purchase order number. The Bidder shall list separately any taxes payable by the District.
- 21. Default by Bidder: The District shall hold the successful Bidder responsible for any damage, which may be sustained because of the failure or neglect of Bidder to comply with any terms or conditions listed herein. In the event of a breach by the Bidder of any of the provisions in the bid or subsequent contract, the District reserves the right to cancel and terminate this contract forthwith upon giving oral and/or written notice to the Bidder.
- 22. **Independence of Bid:** Unless the Bidder is furnishing a joint bid, by submitting this bid, Bidder swears under penalty of perjury that it did not conspire with any other supplier to set prices in violation of anti-trust laws.
- 23. **Participation by Other Public Entities:** Other Community Colleges and/or public entities in the State of California may procure items and /or services off this bid under the same terms and conditions stated in this bid.
- 24. **Warranty:** Unless otherwise specified, the warranties contained in this contract begin after acceptance of merchandise has occurred. Bidder will include all written information on any warranty provided by Bidder or the manufacturer.

persists, the Bidder shall submit to the Purchasing Specialist, the "Bidder Protest" form within five (5) working days after being notified by the Purchasing Department of the proposed award. Protests shall include reasonable and valid concerns as to why the award, as determined by the District, should not go forward. The District will respond to all protests in writing. The Board of Trustees will not consider protests from Bidders and/or their agents during a public meeting if they have not followed this procedure.

26. Rehabilitation Act of 1973-508 Compliance:

Section 508 is part of the federal law known as the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Amendments to the Rehabilition Act – known as the Section 508 Standards for Electronic and Information Technology (EIT) – went into effect in June 2001. The idea behind this standard is that as vendors become more aware of how to make their products accessible and requestors become more aware of Section 508-compliant products, electronics and information technology will improve.

Ventura County Community College District has incorporated the following statement into our standard purchase order terms and conditions, Bid, RFP, RFQ and Contract Documents:

Vendor hereby warrants that any hardware, software products or services to be provided under this RFP, Purchase Order and/or Agreement comply with the assessibilty requirements of section 508 of the Rehabilition Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794d), and its implementing regulations set forth at Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1194. Vendor agrees to promptly respond to and resolve any compliant regarding accessibility of its products or services which is brought to its attention. Vendor further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the District, the Chancellor's Office and any party of Ventura County Community College District using the vendor's products or services from any claim arising out of its failure to comply with the aforesaid requirements. Failure to comply with these requirements shall constitute a breach and be grounds for termination of this RFP, Purchase Order and/or Agreement.

- 27. **In-kind Benefits of Donated Equipment:** Include with bid response any additional in-kind benefits or donated equipment. Any equipment and/or benefits listed in bid responses will not be considered in determining the award of bid.
- 28. **Technology Clause:** This request for bids seeks to address the rapid advances in technology. As technology advances, it is understood that the improved or enhanced components/products may supercede existing products in both price and performance and yet be essentially similar. By allowing functionally similar, upgraded or identical products that may be introduced in the future or during the term of this bid are included under the general umbrella of compatible product lines and are thus specifically included in this bid document.
- 29. **Evaluation Criteria:** The District will evaluate the responses to the proposals based on strength of operations, quality, price, service of existing locations, and financial return to the District.
- 30. **Security/Bond:** The District reserves the right to request Bidders Security/Bond if stated in the bid documents.
- 31. **Artwork:** Any artwork produced for a project is the sole property of the District and shall be forwarded to the Purchasing Department at 761 E. Daily Drive, Ste. 200, Camarillo, CA 93010, upon completion of this project.

Ventura County Community College District Bid 632 Police Vehicles – Ford Explorer Intercepts or Equal

SPECIFICATIONS SHEET

INTRODUCTION

The District seeks a supplier to provide three (3) Ford Explorer Intercepts or equal. The Specifications are on the following pages of this document.

Sealed Bids must be submitted to the Ventura County Community College District, attention to the Purchasing Department by or before **3:00 pm, Thursday, February 24, 2022** to be considered. Bids should be sent to: 761 E. Daily Drive, Suite 200, Camarillo, CA 93010. Note that no electronic or faxed bids will be accepted.

Required Bid Submittal Documents:

- Bid Proposal Form
- Drug Free Workplace Form
- Non-Collusion Affidavit
- Affirmative Action Form
- Bid Price Sheet
- Equipment Specifications or White Sheets on Proposed Equipment if bidding an equivalent
- Other information regarding warranties and service options on the proposed equipment if bidding an equivalent

BID 632 POLICE VEHICLES - FORD EXPLORER INTERCEPTS SPECIFICATIONS

There is one (1) line listed on the pricing sheet which is the 2022 Ford Explorer Intercept or equal. The seventeen (17) following specifications are the minimum requirements for each vehicle. Please list and price separately, if applicable, any other peripheral equipment that is required for the system that may not be listed below.

Specification sheets are required for each piece of equipment being bid.

A brief description and preferences for each piece of equipment are noted below.

- 1. K8A Model Code
- 2. UM Agate Black Paint

- 3. Item Code 96: Cloth Bucket Seats / Vinyl Rear
- 4. 500A Equipment Group
- 5. 99B 3.3L V6 Direct Injection FFV Engine
- 6. 44U 10 Speed Automatic Transition
- 7. Item Code 425: 50 State Emission
- 8. 67H Road Ready Package
- 9. 43D Dark Car (Allows Blackout of Interior Lighting)
- 10.51V Spot Lamps LED Dual (Whelen)
- 11.59B Keyed Alike (Key Code 1284X)
- 12.68G Rear Door Handle and Locks Inorperable
- 13. Item Code 153: Front License Bracket
- 14.52P Hidden Door-Lock Plunger with Rear Door Controls Inoperable
- 15.17T Cargo Dome Lamp
- 16.47A Police Engine Idle Feature
- 17.92R Solar Tint 2nd Row Door Glass

General Information:

The equipment is to deliver to the District Administrative Center, 761 E. Daily Drive, Camarillo, CA 93010. Tax rate in this city is 7.25% to be used on the pricing sheet.

As noted on the Bid Proposal form, pricing must be valid for a minimum of 6 months.

Questions regarding the bid or specifications may be directed via e-mail to Spencer Herson1@vcccd.edu.

Bid 632 District Police -Ford Explorer Intercept or equal

#	ltem	Qty	Total		
1	New 2022 Ford Explorer Interceptor Utility AWD or equal	al 3 \$			
		Sub-Total:			
		Sales Tax @ 7.25%:			
		Equipment Total:			
		Freight/Delivery:		\$	
			Total Bid Price:	\$	

Company Name:		
Signature:		
Title:		
Date:		

VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BID PROPOSAL FORM

The undersigned, having carefully examined Notice to Bidders, General Instructions to Bidders and Specifications for **Bid 632 Police Vehicles – Ford Explorer Intercepts or Equal** hereby proposes to furnish said materials and services in accordance with prices quoted on the attached form.

Bid prices must be valid for a minimum of a 6-month period after opening date of bid and may be valid for up to three years. COMPANY NAME: ADDRESS: _____FAX NO._____ PHONE NO.: E-MAIL ADDRESS: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BID ADDENDA In submitting this Bid Proposal, the Bidder acknowledges receipt of all Bid Addenda issued. The Bidder confirms that this Bid Proposal incorporates and is inclusive of all items or other matters contained in Bid Addenda. No Addenda Issued (Initials) Addenda Number(s) received, acknowledged and incorporated in this Bid Proposal. _____ TITLE:____ PREPARED BY: _____ DATE:____ SIGNATURE:

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION

The Bidder certifies the following:

- 1. I am aware of the provisions and requirements of California Government Code §§8350 et seq., the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1990.
- 2. I am authorized to certify, and do certify, on behalf of Bidder that a drug free workplace will be provided by Bidder by doing all of the following:
 - A. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in Contractor's workplace and specifying actions which will be taken against employees for violation of the prohibition;
 - B. Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about all of the following:
 - (i) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (ii) Bidder's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (iii) The availability of drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee-assistance programs; and
 - (iv) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations;
 - C. Requiring that each employee engaged in the performance of the Contract be given a copy of the statement required by subdivision (A), above, and that as a condition of employment by Bidder connection with the Work of the Contract, the employee agrees to abide by the terms of the statement.
- 3. Contractor agrees to fulfill and discharge all of Contractor's obligations under the terms and requirements of California Government Code §8355 by, inter alia, publishing a statement notifying employees concerning: (a) the prohibition of any controlled substance in the workplace, (b) establishing a drug-free awareness program, and (c) requiring that each employee engaged in the performance of the Work of the Contract be given a copy of the statement required by California Government Code §8355(a) and requiring that the employee agree to abide by the terms of that statement.
- 4. Contractor and I understand that if the District determines that Contractor has either: (a) made a false certification herein, or (b) violated this certification by failing to carry out and to implement the requirements of California Government Code §8355, the Contract awarded herein is subject to termination, suspension of payments, or both. Contractor and I further understand that, should Contractor violate the terms of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990, Contractor may be subject to debarment in accordance with the provisions of California Government Code §§8350, et seg.
- 5. Contractor and I acknowledge that Contractor and I are aware of the provisions of California Government Code §§8350, et seq. and hereby certify that Contractor and I will adhere to, fulfill, satisfy and discharge all provisions of and obligations under the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990.

PREPARED BY:	TITLE:
SIGNATURE:	DATE:

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

In connection with the foregoing Bid Proposal, the undersigned declares, states and certifies that:

- 1. The Bid Proposal is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization or corporation.
- 2. The Bid Proposal is genuine and not collusive or sham.
- 3. The bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid, and has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any other bidder or anyone else to put in sham bid, or to refrain from bidding.
- 4. The bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price, or that of any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the bid price or that of any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against the public body awarding the contract or of anyone interested in the proposed contract.
- 5. All statements contained in the Bid Proposal and related documents are true.
- 6. The bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, or paid, and will not pay, any fee to any person, corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof to effectuate a collusive or sham bid.

I hereby acknowledge and agree to all specifications of the Ventura County Community College District bid and will see that our company is responsible for all materials and services as specified.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

PREPARED BY:	TITLE:
SIGNATURE:	DATE:
SIGNATURE.	DATE:

In order to	comply with	⊢legal requir	ements, the	Ventura	County Com	munity Co	ollege Distr	ict is g	jathering	and
updating th	ne affirmative	action statu	s of vendors	. Please	check your c	ompany's	appropriat	e code	as indica	atec
below (see	definitions).									

Minority-Owned/Disadvantaged Business
Woman-Owned Business
Small Business Concern
Disabled Veteran Enterprise
Other
None of the Ahove

VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS CODE DEFINITIONS

Minority-Owned/Disadvantaged Business

A small business concern which is at least fifty-one percent unconditionally owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least fifty-one percent (51% of the stock of which is owned by such individuals, and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of such individuals).

Business owners who certify that they are members of named groups (African American, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Asian-Pacific/Asian Indian Americans) are considered socially and economically disadvantaged.

Woman-Owned Business

A business concern that is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by a woman or women who also control and operate it. "Control" in this context means exercising the power to make policy decisions. "Operate" in this context means being actively involved in the day-to-day management.

Small Business Concern

An independently owned and operated concern certified, or certifiable, as a small business by the Federal Small Business Administration (SBA). Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes may be found in the Federal Acquisition Regulations, Section 19.01 or in the Federal Procurement Regulations, Section 1-1.701.

Disabled Veteran Enterprise

"Disabled Veteran" means a veteran of the military, naval or air service of the United States with a service-connected disability who is a resident of the State of California. To quality under this category, certification must be obtained from the Office of Small & Minority Business (OSMB) by completing Form OSMB11 and receiving an approved certification letter from that office. Contact the OSMB at (916) 322-5478 for specific assistance. The District must receive this certification with the bid response.

Ethnic Groups Key

African Americans: United States citizens whose origins are in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

<u>Hispanic Americans</u>: United States citizens whose origins are in Mexico, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Spain, Portugal, Central or South America.

<u>Native Americans</u>: United States citizens whose origins are in any of the original peoples of North America, i.e., American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, and Native Hawaiians.

Asian Pacific/Asian Indian Americans: United States citizens whose origins are in Japan, China, Korea, Okinawa, Thailand, Taiwan, Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, the Philippines, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific, the Northern Marianas, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Bhutan, or Nepal.