**RFP**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

**FOR**

**GIFT CARD PURCHASE**

**AT**

**MAYA ANGELOU PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL**

**PROPOSALS MUST BE UPLOADED TO:**

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**NO LATER THAN 12 NOON JUNE 20, 2019**

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1. **Overview of Facility**
2. Maya Angelou Public Charter School (MAPCS) is located at 5600 East Capitol Street NE, Washington DC 20019. Our mission is to create learning communities in lower income urban areas where all students, particularly those who have not succeeded in traditional schools, can succeed academically and socially.
3. **Intent and Definitions**
   1. The term “MAPCS” or “YALC” means Maya Angelou Public Charter School.
   2. The term “contractor”, “consultant” or “bidder” means the responsible bidder.
   3. The term “successful contractor” or “successful bidder” refers to the bidder awarded the contract.
4. **Goals of this RFP**
   1. MAPCS is seeking proposals to purchase activated gift cards to be used as incentives.
5. **Contractor Requirements**
   1. Provide gift cards in a timely manner;
   2. Have clear ordering process;
   3. Provide responsive and timely customer service;
   4. Meet the criteria described in this RFP;
   5. Not be on the exclusion list at SAM.gov.
6. **Scope of Service**
   1. For each order, provide:
      1. Activated gift cards in appropriate number and domination
      2. Electronic document (e.g., in Excel) with a list of all gift card numbers
   2. A user-friendly ordering system;
   3. Timely and professional customer service;
7. **Evaluation Criteria**
8. The following criteria will be used to evaluate each proposal:
   * 1. Cost
     2. Compliance with the RFP
     3. Ease of use (customer service)
     4. Experience
     5. Quality
     6. References
     7. Company’s mission/ involvement with DC community/CBE
9. MAPCS will evaluate each proposal. Cost will not be the sole factor when awarding the contract. MAPCS reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.
10. MAPCS reserves the right to negotiate further with the successful bidder. The content of the RFP and the successful contractor’s proposal will become integral parts of the contract but may be modified by the provisions of the contract.
11. As MAPCS is committed to serving the DC community, consideration will be given to businesses based in Washington DC that employ district residents.
12. **Contractor Expectations**
13. All inquiries regarding technical specifications and questions can be emailed to Heather Hesslink at hhesslink@seeforever.org.
14. Allowances will not be after contractor’s proposal is received due to oversight, omission, error, or mistake of the contractor.
15. **Eligibility**

a. To be eligible for award, the contractor shall:

1. Legally able to conduct business in the District of Columbia.
2. Be eligible to receive funds from federal grants (not be on the exclusion list at SAM.gov);
3. Include three references.
4. **Bid Details/Required Submittals**
5. The bid must include:
   * 1. Detailed proposal to realize the goals in this RFP;
6. Detailed bid that breaks all fees per gift card by gift card denomination (e.g., $10, $25, $50, $100, $500);
7. Estimated timeline of the process from ordering to product delivery;
8. Details of the ordering process;
9. Description of your model to provide timely and professional customer service;
10. Whether your company is a small business, based in DC, or a Certified Business Enterprise;
11. Three references.
12. Proposal must be signed by an officer of the contractor who is legally authorized agent to enter into a contract.
13. MAPCS reserves the right to consider proposals with minor variances with respect any specific requirements specified herein but judged to meet the intent of this specification. Such waivers shall not modify any remaining RFP requirements or release contractor from full compliance with the RFP specifications if awarded the contract.
14. **Bid Proposal Acceptance and Information**
15. All bid proposals will be accepted until **12:00 PM on June 20, 2019**.
16. Interested vendors will respond to the advertised Notice of RFP via upload to <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/ead26bbf3f73425d9ab343a887961abb>
17. Complete RFP details can be found at [www.seeforever.org/request-for-proposals](http://www.seeforever.org/request-for-proposals).
18. Any proposal received after **12:01 PM on June 20, 2019** is deemed non-responsive and will not be considered. Proposals will not be accepted by oral communications, telephone, electronic mail, telegraphic transmission, or fax.
19. All costs attributable to the preparation of a proposal or any presentation required to supplement or clarify the proposal are borne by the contractor.
20. MAPCS will rank the proposals in terms of meeting the requirements of this RFP. Additional information may be sought from contractor during the evaluation period.
21. All proposals will remain valid for a minimal period of 45 days subsequent to the RFP closing date.
22. All information submitted in response to this RFP will become the property of MAPCS and may be open to inspection by members of the public.
23. **Award**
24. The successful contractor shall enter into a contract for the performance of the work proposed and the contract shall incorporate all applicable provisions of this RFP.
25. MAPCS reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to award the contract to another contractor if contract negotiations do not appear successful.
26. **Payment Arrangements**
27. Unless the contract stipulates otherwise, payment will be made as follows:
28. Orders will be invoiced by Contractor. MAPCS will make payment within thirty (30) days of receiving the invoice.
29. If MAPCS makes the payment within fourteen (14) days from receipt of the invoice, a three percent (3%) credit of the invoiced amount will be credited to the next invoice. There is no credit or penalty if this payment is not received in this window.

**14. Bid**

a. In accordance with the provisions of the proposal, the undersigned hereby proposes to furnish all labor and materials for gift cards. In addition, the undersigned hereby proposes to provide gift cards at Maya Angelou Public Charter School located at 5600 East Capitol Street NE, Washington DC 20019.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: FULL NAME: (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

b. Please attach your detailed bid. It must include proof of licensing, liability insurance, workman compensation for contractor’s employees, warranties, etc.