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RFQ for GRANT WRITERS:

The Greater Vancouver Chamber (GVC) is excited to invite individuals and organizations with expertise in grant writing to submit their qualifications for consideration. As part of our commitment to strengthening the nonprofit sector, we aim to create a resource bank of proficient grant writers that our associated nonprofits can access to bolster their fundraising efforts.

BACKGROUND

The Greater Vancouver Chamber (GVC) stands as a pivotal non-profit entity dedicated to business and economic development in southwest Washington. Boasting a robust network of members, we are deeply committed to catalyzing economic growth by harnessing the collective resources of our members and esteemed partners. This dedication to community engagement and fortification led us to absorb the Nonprofit Network in 2023, amplifying our commitment to the local non-profit sector and broadening our scope of service. Through this merger, we've undertaken rigorous community outreach, including wide-scale surveys and discussions, to better comprehend and address the nuanced needs of our nonprofits. Our overarching aim remains consistent: crafting an enriched business environment for Southwest Washington, ensuring every stakeholder thrives. For a deeper dive into our initiatives and history, we welcome you to visit www.vancouverusa.com.

SCOPE OF WORK

We are seeking qualifications from professional grant writers who can bring their expertise to the table. Our aim is to build a diverse and versatile bank of writers who can be engaged on a project basis, providing invaluable assistance to our clients as they pursue grants and funding opportunities primarily from national and regional foundations as well as state and federal agencies. Qualified vendors will have the chance to be considered for multiple upcoming projects, all at the discernment of our nonprofit partners.

REQUIREMENTS

Interested candidates should provide the following:

- 1. Description of your experience with grant writing, especially in the nonprofit sector.
- 2. Details of successfully awarded grants, with an emphasis on those relevant to our community.
- 3. References and testimonials from previous clients.
- 4. Proposed approach to the grant writing process.
- 5. Overview of your availability and turnaround times.
- 6. Proposed fee structure.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Submissions will be evaluated based on the following:

- Relevant grant writing experience
- Proven track record of successful grant awards
- Quality of references and testimonials
- Clarity and feasibility of the proposed approach
- Fee structure

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

RFQs should be submitted via our online portal. This will include an area to upload your proposal. Please make sure you address all of the requirements and ensure your documents are titled with your name/company name and "RFQ Submission: Grant Writing Services" when uploading in the portal.

Submit Via the online portal HERE

DEADLINE

To populate the first round, we ask that submissions be made by November 15, 2023, however we will keep the portal open all year long and others to be added once qualifications are verified.

Address any questions via email to <u>YourChamber@Vancouverusa.com</u> with the subject line: "RFQ Submission: Grant Writing Services"

By participating in this RFQ, you're contributing to a vibrant future for the Greater Vancouver nonprofit community. We thank you for your interest and look forward to your submissions.