

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

LONG TERM FRAMEWOK AGREEMENT FOR CASH DELIVERY SERVICES TO CRS SOUTH SUDAN FIELD LOCATIONS

TENDER REF No SS- 141439-09-2021

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is a global humanitarian and development organization, providing emergency humanitarian response and recovery programming to over 14.2 million beneficiaries worldwide. In South Sudan, CRS provides life-saving assistance to conflict and natural disaster-affected communities through cross-cutting programming. CRS programs in South Sudan address food security and livelihoods; water, sanitation, and hygiene; health and nutrition; microfinance and adult literacy; trauma awareness and social cohesion; disaster risk reduction; and emergency response. Our current operations include Central Equatoria, Eastern Equatoria, Jonglei and Lake States.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is inviting qualified financial service providers with relevant experience to submit proposals for long-term framework agreement for cash delivery services for a period of 2 (two) years, with periodic annual reviews and with possibility of extension by one year, subject to satisfactory performance. To be eligible for consideration, interested financial service providers must meet the following requirements and should be able to provide valid evidence upon request.

- 1. Be a legally registered service provider with authorization to work and operate in South Sudan, compliant with relevant laws, and have fulfilled obligations related to payment of government taxes and legal registration
- 2. Hold at least five years' experience implementing cash transfer programs in South Sudan
- 3. Have an established presence in South Sudan with the ability to demonstrate evidence of current similar programming in the country
- 4. Have prior experience implementing cash transfer services in South Sudan
- 5. Have adequate personnel (sufficiently trained managers, employees etc.) to execute the cash transfer services
- 6. Exhibits a good track-record and references from previous clients

The Request for Proposal are available by emailing <u>southsudanPRs@crs.org</u> between 20th September 2021 and 1st October 2021, Monday to Friday, 8 am to 3 pm Central Africa Time, excluding public holidays.

All bids must be submitted on a company letterhead signed, stamped by Director/Manager of the bidder, and emailed to <u>sds_tender@crs.org</u> with the subject line "<u>Tender Ref No. SS-141439-09-2021</u>". Bids omitting this subject line will not be considered. All bids should be submitted via email only. Submissions via courier or hand-delivery shall not be accepted. Proposals must be received by 15th October 2021 at 3:00 pm Central Africa Time. Bids received after this time will not be considered.

CRS reserves the right to change the quantities or cancel/reject any or all offers without assigning any reason. Bidders must not be engaged in any corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices including but not limited to applying/bidding by multiple names/companies and soliciting or accepting gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from other parties to this procurement, including CRS. If any bidder is found to be involved in such practices his/her bid may be rejected. Lowest price will not be the sole criteria; quality, financial capacity and previous experience will also be considered.