



REPUBLIC OF LLIBERIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND SPORTS
Youth Opportunities Project (YOP)
Samuel Kanyon Doe Sports Complex
Paynesville – Liberia



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Assignment Title : Annual Beneficiary Satisfaction Survey
Project Name : Youth Opportunities Project
Project Component : **Productive Public Works and Life Skills Support**
Location : 15 Counties
Duration : 2 months

BACKGROUND

The Government of Liberia, with support from the World Bank, is implementing the Youth Opportunities Project (YOP). The project development objective is to improve access to income generation opportunities for targeted youth and strengthen the Government's capacity to implement its cash transfer program. Productive Public Works and Life Skills Training (PPW) is a major component of the project targeting 10,000 rural youth beneficiaries aged 18-35 years in a phased manner over five years in all fifteen (15) Counties. This component is implemented by LACE and its objective is to support vulnerable youth in rural areas to engage in income-generation activities through productive public works and Life Skills Training.

Specifically, this component of the project seeks to engage youth in agriculture activities with emphasis in community-level farm production. As a result, beneficiary youth groups during every farming cycle receive support from the project for land preparation and cultivation, provision of agricultural inputs (simple farming tools and planting materials), provision of labor subsidies to assist youth farmers with some of their needs while on the farm.

The project management team considers it important to obtain feedback from the beneficiaries about how well Phase 1 and 2 recruitment and implementation went so as to inform the Project Management Team (PMT) on decisions on modifying future intervention strategies and activities where necessary. Consequently, the PMT has commissioned a survey to measure beneficiaries' levels of satisfaction with Phase 1 and 2 interventions of the PPW component. The survey will be conducted in selected project communities involving PPW Phase 1 and Phase 2 beneficiaries as respondents.

Specific objectives of the Survey

The specific objective of the Survey is to analyze the extent and quality of support provided to the beneficiaries in but not limited to the following areas:

- Provision of guidance in the development of subproject proposals
- Technical support for land preparation and cultivation

- Procurement and delivery of agricultural inputs (farming tools and planting materials)
- Appropriateness of tools for cultivation of selected crops
- Facilitation of market linkages and adequacy of other post-harvest support
- Analyze beneficiaries' feedback on the recruitment of project beneficiaries in terms of process fairness, transparency and gender participation
- Evaluate the payment of labor subsidies to beneficiaries in terms of how well the process went from the beneficiaries' perspectives
- Evaluate beneficiaries' satisfaction with the delivery of Life Skills and Business Management including Financial Literacy Training in terms of timeliness, relevance, and quality
- Analyze the entire survey findings and make operational and strategic recommendations

The firm will be responsible for the design and piloting of the data collection tool (questionnaire) and FGD interview and training guides (questionnaires) in collaboration with LACE and the PMT. The questionnaires should include the thematic areas and draw on the corresponding questions (but not be limited to) as a resource for developing the questionnaires

The YOP now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to express their interest in providing the Services. Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Must be a registered entity in Liberia and certify all the requirements for firm establishment as prescribed by the laws of the Republic of Liberia to perform the above-mentioned tasks;
- Must have undertaken at least two project evaluation assignments including end of project evaluations, performance evaluations and mid-term reviews;
- Demonstrated Experience in designing and conducting nationally representative quantitative or qualitative surveys;
- Demonstrated strong capacity in data management and statistics;
- Provision of a list of at least 3 data collection activities the firm has implemented in the past three (3) years. Stated experiences should be backed by official documentation by client worked for with letter of satisfactory completion.

In addition, all firms expressing interest must have the following highly-skilled professional staffs for the assignment:

- **Lead Researcher:** She/he should hold at least an advanced (Master's) degree or equivalent in social sciences particularly in economics and/or statistics and have five (5) years or more experience in conducting surveys and research in developing countries.
- **Data Collection Coordinator:** He/she should at least a Master's Degree, with at least three (3) years of experience in a similar role. Candidates must have strong interpersonal, communication and organizational skills.
- **Data Analyst/Researcher,** The researcher should ideally have experience processing both quantitative and qualitative data (from focus group discussions). She/he should hold

at least a Bachelor's Degree, with at least two (2) years of experience in similar roles. He/she should also have experience in programming questionnaires into CAPI and ensuring data quality at entry and post-data collection

Applicable Guidelines

The selection method for this assignment is Consultant Qualification Selection (CQS) as provided for under the guideline for Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers, dated January 2011, revised July 2014. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of these Guidelines, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant Selection method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Application

Interested firms are invited to submit their expressions of interest by email at: mysyop@gmail.com, cc: telequoi@gmail.com, koimaw2000@yahoo.com or in hard copy to the address below during the office working hours between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. The deadline for submission of Expressions of Interest is 9th October 2019.

Below is the address for further information and submission of hard copies of expression of interest:

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