

Technology Product Solutions and Related Services Executive Summary

Lead Agency: Cobb County, GA **Solicitation:** 23-6692

Response Due Date: October 13, 2022 Proposals Received: 18

Awarded to: Carahsoft Contract #: 23-6692-01

The Cobb County Purchasing Department issued RFP 23-6692 on August 26, 2022, to establish a national cooperative contract for Technology Product Solutions and Related Services.

The solicitation included cooperative purchasing language in National Contract section as stated below:

"Cobb County, GA, as the Principal Procurement Agency, defined in Attachment A, has partnered with OMNIA Partners, Public Sector ("OMNIA Partners") to make the resultant contract (also known as the "Master Agreement" in materials distributed by OMNIA Partners) from this solicitation available to other public agencies nationally, including state and local governmental entities, public and private primary, secondary and higher education entities, non-profit entities, and agencies for the public benefit ("Public Agencies"), through OMNIA Partners' cooperative purchasing program. Cobb County, GA is acting as the contracting agency for any other Public Agency that elects to utilize the resulting Master Agreement. Use of the Master Agreement by any Public Agency is preceded by their registration with OMNIA Partners (a "Participating Public Agency") and by using the Master Agreement, any such Participating Public Agency agrees that it is registered with OMNIA Partners, whether pursuant to the terms of a Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, a form of which is attached hereto on Attachment A, or as otherwise agreed to. Attachment A contains additional information about OMNIA Partners and the cooperative purchasing program".

Notice of the solicitation was sent to potential offerors, as well as advertised in the following:

- Cobb County Purchasing website
- OMNIA Partners website
- USA Today, nationwide
- Arizona Business Gazette, AZ
- San Bernardino County Sun, CA
- Honolulu Star-Advertiser, HI
- The Herald-News Will County (IL)
- The Advocate New Orleans, LA
- The New Jersey Herald, NJ
- Albany Times Union, NY

- Daily Journal of Commerce, OR
- The State, SC
- Deseret News, UT
- Richmond Times-Dispatch, VA
- Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, WA
- Houston Community Newspapers, TX
- Helena Independent Record, MT
- Las Vegas Review-Journal
- Kennebec Journal/Morning Sentinel, ME

Socio-economic Outreach: To encourage participation of small businesses, minority owned businesses and women owned businesses were notified of the Request for Proposal

On October 13, 2022, proposals were received from the following offerors:

- Alegna Technologies, Inc.
- SHI International Corp.
- Carbyne, Inc.
- Insight Public Sector, Inc.
- Audio Enhancement, Inc.
- Emergent, LLC
- Govconnection, Inc. dba Connection Public Sector Solutions
- Iron Bow Technologies, LLC

- DLT Solutions, LLC
- Vertosoft, LLC
- Presidio Networked Solutions, LLC
- Virtual Technologies Inc.
- CDW Government LLC
- Carahsoft Technology Corporation
- Vurkada, Inc. Fiscal Note Inc.
- AGParts Worldwide Inc.
- Virtucom, Inc.

The proposals were evaluated by an evaluation committee. Using the evaluation criteria established in the RFP, the committee elected to enter into negotiations with **Carahsoft Technology Corporation** and proceeding with contract award upon successful completion of negotiations.

Geographic Preferences: Cobb County included a geographic preference, but it did not impact the score for the national award.

The Cobb County, GA, OMNIA Partners and Carahsoft Technology Corporation successfully negotiated a contract, and the Cobb County executed the agreement with a contract effective date of May 1, 2023.

Contract include: A robust catalog of manufacturer, services, and reseller partners. Supplier provided federal funds certifications which are available on the OMNIA Partners website for review.

Diversity Certification: Carahsoft maintains a vast ecosystem of partners of various socioeconomic classifications, including resellers, systems integrators, and service providers. Partner network includes a very diverse group with varying specializations, credentials, product lines, and business types, including over 700 Small Businesses

Term:

Initial thirty-six-month agreement from May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2026 with two (2) additional automatic renewals in one-year periods through April 30, 2028.

Pricing/Discount:

Various percentage discount off vendor partner list price. Refer to separate discount schedule.

OMNIA Partners website:

Carahsoft Technology Corp. Cooperative Contract | Contract Documentation (omniapartners.com)