

Questions and Answers

General Fund Notice of Funding Availability RFP Specification No. NC22-0333F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Erica Pierce, Senior Buyer by October 20, 2022. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at <u>www.TacomaPurchasing.org</u>: Navigate to <u>Current</u> <u>Contracting Opportunities</u> / Services Solicitations, and then click Questions and Answers for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

- **Question 1:** How does the \$2.2 million of General Funds available through this RFP compare to General Fund amounts from prior years/funding cycles?
- Answer 1: Information on previous RFPs can be obtained by submitting a public disclosure request using this <u>link</u>. RFP amounts vary due factors such as budget, amount allocated for direct negotiation, and scope of the specific RFP.
- **Question 2:** We are concerned about this contract cycle not beginning until March 2023. As an organization that has served Tacoma clients using this funding for many years and hopes to continue doing so going forward, we know that our Tacoma clients will continue to need our services during January and February of 2023. Does the City have a plan for funding the work of contractors whose cannot pause during those months? Has the City considered any bridge funding?
- Answer 2: The City is still evaluating options for January and/or February services. As a reminder, City funding is not guaranteed for currently funded programs. Organizations should have a variety of funding sources and not depend on continued City funding.