



Invitation to Bid No. 18-17

Vehicle Transmission Replacement and Repair

November 9, 2017

**Chad Chronister, Sheriff**

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY  
Financial Services Division  
2008 E. 8th Avenue  
Tampa, FL 33605



Stephanie Douglas, Buyer  
(813) 247-0024  
sajack01@hcsso.tampa.fl.us

**INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

Included herein are General Terms and Conditions (Part A), Special Provisions (Part B), Technical Specifications (Part C), and Bid Response (Part D), which together with all attachments, constitute the entire "Bid Package". Said Bid Package must be the basis upon which all bids are offered and must be kept together and returned, intact, by the time and at the place herein specified. The Bidder must manually sign the General Terms and Conditions (Part A) and Bid Response (Part D). Any questions concerning this Invitation to Bid (Bid) should be directed to the Buyer whose name appears above.

When awarded, the Bid Package becomes the "**Contract Document**". The Bidder's signature on the Bid Response (Part D), constitutes Bidder's agreement to the terms therein. The signature on the Bid Package must be that of an Officer of the Company or an individual authorized to commit the Company to a legal and binding contract. **READ THE ENTIRE BID PACKAGE CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

**WHEN SUBMITTING A SEALED BID PACKAGE, CLEARLY MARK THE PACKAGE AS A BID DOCUMENT ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE OR BOX. INCLUDE THE BID NUMBER AND THE DATE AND TIME OF THE BID OPENING.**

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<b>PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Bid Advertised/Posted to HCSO and OSD Website	11/9/17
Deadline to Submit Bid Package	11/27/17
Award Notification Target Date	12/1/17

Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office  
 2008 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
 Tampa, Florida

VENDOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: INVITATION TO BID 18-17

BID TITLE: Vehicle Transmission Replacement and Repair

**OPENING DATE & TIME: 11/27/2017 at 3:00 PM EDT**

PLACE: Malcolm E. Beard Sheriff's Operation Center  
 Financial Services Division, Purchasing Section  
 2008 E. 8th Avenue, Room 125  
 Tampa, Florida 33605

Bids will be received until the time and date shown and will be read aloud immediately thereafter at the "Place" indicated.

PART A - GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. Bids: Must be contained in a SEALED envelope addressed to: Chad Chronister, Sheriff, 2008 E. 8th Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605. To prevent inadvertent opening, the Bid must be marked as a BID DOCUMENT (including the bid number, date and time of bid opening) on the outside of the envelope.

If our specifications, when included, are not returned with your Bid, and no specific reference is made to them in your Bid Response (Part D), it will be assumed that all specifications will be met. When material, sketches, cuts, descriptive literature, Vendor's or manufacturer's specifications which accompany the Bid Response (Part D), contain information that can be construed or is intended to be a deviation from our specifications, such deviation must be specifically referenced in your Bid Response (Part D).

2. Bid Delivery: The responsibility for getting the Bid to the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) on or before the stated time and date will be solely and strictly the responsibility of the Bidder. The HCSO will in no way be responsible for delays caused by the United States Postal Service or a delay caused by any other occurrence, or any other method of delivery. The Bidder shall be responsible for reading very carefully and understanding completely the requirements in the specifications. Bids will not be accepted after the time specified for receipt. Such bids shall be returned to the Bidder unopened with the notation "This bid was received after the time designated for the receipt and opening of bids".
3. On-Line Documents: The HCSO is publishing documents on its website <http://www.hcso.tampa.fl.us> for the convenience of Vendors wanting to do business with the HCSO and to save tax dollars. This service is public record and the HCSO is responsible only for documents as published. Any modifications or alterations to the original document language may be cause for rejection of a bid.
4. Time for Consideration: Bidders warrant by virtue of bidding the prices quoted in their response will be good for an evaluation period of 60 calendar days from the date of bid opening unless otherwise stated. Bidders will not be allowed to withdraw or modify their bids after the opening time and date.
5. Prices: All bids submitted must show the net bid price after any and all discounts allowable have been deducted. **Prices quoted are to be F.O.B. Destination.** The HCSO is exempt from all state and federal

sales, use, transportation, and excise taxes. The HCSO will issue tax exemption certificates to the awarded Vendor.

The Bidder's attention is directed to the tax laws of the State of Florida, including but not limited to Chapter 212, Florida Statutes, which apply to transactions resulting from this Bid and **that all applicable taxes and fees shall be deemed to have been included in the Bid Response as part of the materials cost, when applicable.**

6. **Bid Errors:** When errors are found in the extension of bid prices, the unit price will govern. Bids having erasures or corrections must be initialed in ink by the Bidder.
7. **Condition of Materials and Packaging:** Unless otherwise indicated, it is understood and agreed that any commodity offered or shipped on this Bid shall be NEW and in FIRST CLASS CONDITION, that all containers shall be new and suitable for storage or shipment and that prices include standard commercial packaging for the items shipped.
8. **Claims:** The Vendor will immediately replace missing or damaged items and will be responsible for making any and all claims against carriers.
9. **When to Make Delivery:** Deliveries resulting from this Bid are to be made during the normal working hours of the HCSO. It is the Bidder's responsibility to confirm this information.
10. **Manufacturer's Name:** Any manufacturers' names, trade names, brand names information and/or catalog numbers used herein are for purpose of description, reference, and establishing general quality levels. Such references are not intended to be restrictive and products of any manufacturer may be offered if they are approved as equals. The determination as to whether any alternate product or service is or is not equal shall be made by the HCSO and such determination shall be final and binding upon all Bidders.
11. **Information and Descriptive Literature:** Bidder must furnish all information requested in the bid. If specified, each Bidder must submit samples, cuts, sketches, descriptive literature and/or complete specifications covering the products offered. Reference to literature submitted with previous responses will not satisfy this provision. Bids which do not comply with these requirements will be subject to rejection.
12. **Bid Submittal Costs:** Submittal of a bid is solely at the cost of the Bidder and the HCSO in no way is liable or obligates itself for any cost incurred by the Bidder in preparing the Bid Package.
13. **No Bid:** If you do not wish to submit a response to the Bid, please return the Statement of "No Bid" found on page 22. The no bid information is helpful to the process and assures the HCSO you wish to remain on the HCSO Vendor List.
14. **Compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA):** Bidder certifies that all material/items contained in their response meets all OSHA requirements.
15. **Laws, Statutes and Ordinances:** The terms and conditions of the Bid and the resulting Contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws, statutes and ordinances applicable to Hillsborough County. Where State Statutes and regulations are referenced, they shall apply to this Bid and to the resulting Contract.
16. **Acceptance and Rejection:** The HCSO reserves the right to reject any or all bids, for cause, to waive irregularities, if any, and to accept the Bid or Bids which in the judgment of the Sheriff is in the best interest of the HCSO. The HCSO reserves the right to evaluate, add and/or reject any items from any bid options or resulting contract(s) when deemed to be in the best interest of HCSO.

17. Appropriations Clause: The HCSO, as an entity of Government, is subject to the appropriation of funds by the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners in an amount sufficient to allow continuation of its performance in accordance with the terms and conditions of any contract entered into as a result of this Bid for each and every fiscal year following the fiscal year in which this Contract is executed and entered into and for which the Contract shall remain in effect. The HCSO shall, upon receipt of notice that sufficient funds are not available to continue its full and faithful performance under the Contract, provide prompt written notice of such event and effective 30 calendar days after the giving of such notice, or upon the expiration of the period of time for which funds were appropriated, whichever occurs first, be thereafter released of all further obligations in any way related to such contract.
18. Protests: Any prospective Bidder who disputes the reasonableness or appropriateness of the notice of award, or notice of rejection, for any or all bids will submit a notice of protest in writing within 72 hours (excluding County holidays, Saturdays and Sundays) to the HCSO Purchasing Section by registered mail or hand delivery for which a receipt must be provided.

The Purchasing Section will have five (5) business days upon receipt of this notice to meet and consider the dispute as written. The Buyer will coordinate the review process with the parties involved and may request additional information from the Proposer or request a meeting to gain further clarification of the issues. Upon completion of this review process, the Buyer will make a recommendation to the Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

The CFO may concur with the recommendation or arrive at a separate decision. The decision of the CFO will be communicated to the Bidder in writing. This decision and the basis upon which it was made will be communicated to the Bidder within five (5) business days following the receipt of the recommendation from the Purchasing Section. A single appeal of the CFO's decision is available by submitting a notice in writing within 72 hours (excluding County holidays, Saturdays and Sundays) requesting a Management review of the decision. Final decision of an appeal will be made by the Sheriff.

19. Public Entity Crimes: Pursuant to §§287.132-133, Fla. Stats., the HCSO, as a public entity, may not accept any bid, proposal or reply from, award any contract to, or transact any business in excess of the threshold amount provided in §287.017, Fla. Stat., for Category Two (\$35,000) with any person or affiliate on the convicted vendor list for a period of 36 months from the date that person or affiliate was placed on the convicted vendor list unless that person or affiliate has been removed from the list pursuant to §287.133 (3)(f), Fla. Stat. If you submit a response to this Bid, you are certifying that §§287.132-133, Fla. Stats. does not restrict your submission.
20. Public Records: Any material submitted in response to this Bid will become a public document pursuant to §119.07, Fla. Stat. This includes material which the respondent might consider to be confidential or a trade secret. Any claim of confidentiality is waived upon submission, effective after opening pursuant to §119.07, Fla. Stat. The Vendor agrees to comply with §119.0701, Fla. Stat. regarding maintenance and provision of access to all public records generated by this Contract with the HCSO.

**If the Contractor has questions regarding the application of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, to the Contractor's duty to provide public records relating to this contract, contact the custodian of public records at: HCSO Records Section, 1900 East 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605, Phone 813-247-8210 or email at [hcsorecords@hcsotampa.fl.us](mailto:hcsorecords@hcsotampa.fl.us)**

21. Specifications: Attached

CHAD CHRONISTER, SHERIFF  
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

**--Signature on File--**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christina R. Porter, CPA  
Chief Financial Officer

22. General Terms and Conditions outlined above are acknowledged. Our Bid is attached.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Signer's Name Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Company Officer Title

NOTE: THIS PAGE MUST BE RETURNED WITH YOUR BID AFTER COMPLETING PARAGRAPH 22. EACH VENDOR'S BID AND ANY CLARIFICATIONS TO THAT BID AS WELL AS ALL AMENDMENTS OR ADDENDA TO THIS DOCUMENT SHALL BE SIGNED BY AN OFFICER OF THE COMPANY OR A DESIGNATED AGENT EMPOWERED TO BIND THE COMPANY IN CONTRACT. EXCEPTIONS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS, IF ANY, MAY BE NOTED IN THE BID RESPONSE, EXCEPTIONS (PART D, PARAGRAPH 1).

PART B - SPECIAL PROVISIONS1. IN GENERAL

The purpose of this Invitation to Bid (Bid) is to describe the requirements of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) to secure a qualified vendor to perform transmission replacements and repairs on all HCSO vehicles. All Work will be performed on an as needed basis.

2. SCOPE OF WORK

The requirements of this Bid include repairing or replacing transmissions in HCSO vehicles to restore optimal vehicle performance. The expeditious repair and return of HCSO vehicles is a crucial element for continued public safety in Hillsborough County. The HCSO's fleet is comprised of approximately 2,300 vehicles. For further details, material specifications and cut sheets refer to Technical Specifications (Part C). HCSO vehicles shall be picked up from and delivered to the location below:

Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office  
Fleet Maintenance Section  
2210 N. Falkenburg Road  
Tampa, Florida 33619

3. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

The estimated annual expenditure for services to be performed under this Contract is approximately \$60,000. This estimate is furnished as a guide for preparing the Bid Response (Part D), and should not be construed as representing actual value of services to be provided under this Bid.

4. COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PARTIES

All questions in regard to this Bid are to be directed, in writing to the Buyer: Stephanie Douglas, at [sajack01@hcs0.tampa.fl.us](mailto:sajack01@hcs0.tampa.fl.us) or by fax at 813-242-1851. No communication is allowed, either directly or indirectly, with any other HCSO employee in regard to this Bid prior to the opening Date and Time on page four (4).

In the interest of public access, all documents relating to this Bid will be posted to the HCSO website at <http://www.hcs0.tampa.fl.us>. This will include Q & A responses, amendments, addenda etc. Posting documents to the HCSO website is considered the official method of notification regardless of other notification methods the Buyer utilizes for convenience of the parties involved.

5. VENDOR QUALIFICATIONS

Bidders may be required to furnish evidence in writing that they maintain permanent places of business and have adequate equipment, finances and personnel to furnish the item or service offered satisfactorily and expeditiously.

The HCSO reserves the right to inspect the Bidder's place of business and equipment prior to award of any contract, for determining ability to meet terms and conditions as set forth herein. Bidders shall have engaged in business in the Hillsborough County area for a period of not less than two (2) years.

The attached Vendor Information form and IRS Form W9 must be returned with your Bid Response along with copies of Hillsborough County Business Tax Receipt or other local government license to do business. Current Certificates of Insurance for Liability and Workers Compensation must also be included.



6. BRAND NAMES

Brand names, when furnished, are for reference purposes and to establish a standard of quality. The evaluation of bids and the determination as to equality of products offered shall be the sole and final responsibility of the HCSO and will be based on information and/or samples furnished by the Bidder.

7. SUBSTITUTION

The Vendor shall not substitute items for like items except in the case of an unforeseen event in shipping or manufacturing causing a shortage of said items. Such measures may only be enacted after verifying that it will be allowed by the HCSO. Any violation of such procedure will be considered cause for cancellation. All substitutes will be annotated as such on the shipping documents.

8. AWARD

Award shall be made to the most responsible and responsive Bidder meeting specifications, price and other factors considered. The HCSO reserves the right to award by line item or by overall total, whichever is deemed in the best interest of the HCSO.

In the event two (2) or more Bidders have submitted the lowest and best bids, preference may be given in the award in the following order. First, to the Bidder who has their principal place of business in Hillsborough County; second, to the Bidder who has a place of business in Hillsborough County; and, third, if the Bidders involved in the "tie bid" situation are all located inside/outside Hillsborough County, the toss of a coin will be used to break the tie.

Award or No Award notifications will be sent to all Bidders. Bid results will be available on the HCSO website <http://www.hcsotampa.fl.us>, on the Purchasing Page. If you do not have internet access, and would like a copy of the bid results, contact the Purchasing Section at (813) 247-8068.

9. BID OPENING

Bidders are welcome to attend the bid opening where Bidder names will be read and unit prices read if requested. Award however will be dependent upon the determination that Bidders are both responsive and responsible and any other evaluation criteria stated in the bid document. Tabulation of the bid prices and Bidder rankings, if applicable, will be published at the time of award. All Bidders responding with a bid will receive a copy of the Bid tabulation.

10. CONTRACT PERIOD

The Contract shall be effective for one (1) year from the date of award. By written mutual consent between the HCSO and the Vendor, the Contract may be extended on an annual basis for up to three (3) additional years.

11. ESCALATION/DE-ESCALATION

The HCSO will allow an escalation/de-escalation provision in this Bid. The escalation/de-escalation will be allowed provided the Vendor(s) notify the HCSO, Financial Services Division of the pending increase or decrease a minimum of 30 calendar days prior to the end of each one (1) year period for which the Bid was awarded. Said notification shall consist of manufacturer's proof of increase and shall include each individual item, the amount of increase/decrease and the applicable Bid Item Number. Failure to comply with these instructions shall be grounds for disallowance of the escalation/de-escalation clause as stated herein.

12. ADDITION/DELETION

The HCSO reserves the right to add or delete services from this Bid or resulting Contract(s) when deemed to be in the best interest of the HCSO. Any additions or deletions to the Bid will be considered amendments. Any additions or deletions to the Contract will constitute a change order and will be executed in writing and approved by the Chief Financial Officer (CFO). The change order will consist of a memo to the CFO describing the justification for the change accompanied by the Vendor's written, fixed price quote for each change to be added. If approved by the CFO, the service description and price change will be added to the Contract and recorded on the original bid tabulation/price sheet.

13. CANCELATION

When deemed to be in the best interest of the HCSO, any contract(s) resulting from this Bid may be canceled by the following means:

- a. 10 calendar days written notice with cause, or;
- b. 30 calendar days written notice without cause.

If it becomes necessary to terminate the Contract without cause, all services and/or materials provided through the date of receipt of written notice of cancelation may be invoiced to the HCSO and will be considered for payment providing documentation of said expenses are forwarded with the request for payment.

14. DEFAULT

The Contract may be canceled or annulled by the HCSO CFO in whole or in part by written notice of default to the Vendor upon non-performance or violation of contract terms. An award may be made to the next best responsive and responsible Bidder based on evaluation, or articles specified may be purchased on the open market similar to those so terminated. Failure of the Vendor to deliver services within the time stipulated in this Bid, unless extended in writing by the Financial Services Division, shall constitute contract default. Vendors who default on contracts may be removed from the HCSO Vendor List and determined ineligible for future contracts at the discretion of the CFO.

15. NEXT BEST BIDDER

In the event of a default by the Vendor, the HCSO reserves the right to utilize the next best responsive and responsible Bidder. In the event of this occurrence, the new Vendor shall be required to provide the Bid services at the prices as contained in their Bid Response (Part D), for the remainder of the award period.

16. EMERGENCY

If and when an emergency requirement should occur, the HCSO reserves the right to deviate from this Contract and procure the service(s) from the most available source.

17. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

The Vendor shall not commence any Work in connection with this Contract until all of the following types of insurance have been obtained and such insurance has been approved by the HCSO, nor shall the Vendor allow any subcontractor (if applicable) to commence any Work until all required insurance of the subcontractor has been obtained and approved. All insurance policies shall be with insurers qualified to do business in Florida.

The Vendor understands and agrees that the stipulated limits of coverage listed herein shall not be

construed as a limitation of any potential liability to the HCSO, or to others, and the HCSO's failure to request, receive, or retain, evidence of this insurance coverage shall not be construed as a waiver of the Vendor's obligation to provide and maintain the insurance coverage specified.

The Vendor understands and agrees that the HCSO does not waive its immunity and nothing herein shall be interpreted as a waiver of the HCSO's rights, including the limitation of waiver of immunity, as set forth in §768.28, Fla. Stat. or any other statutes, and the HCSO expressly reserves these rights to the fullest extent allowed by law.

- a. Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance: The Vendor shall provide and maintain during the life of this Contract, Worker's Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance for all employees engaged in work under this Contract in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. The amount of Employer's Liability insurance shall not be less than the amount specified.
  - Worker's Compensation: Florida Statutory Requirements
  - Employer's Liability: \$1,000,000 bodily injury by accident and each accident, bodily injury by disease policy limit, and bodily injury by disease each employee
  
- b. Commercial General Liability Insurance: The Vendor shall provide and maintain during the life of this Contract, Commercial General Liability Insurance to cover liability arising from premises and operations, independent contractors, products and completed operations, personal and advertising injury, contractual liability, and XCU exposures (if applicable). Completed operations liability coverage shall be maintained for a minimum of one (1) year following completion of Work. The amount of Commercial General Liability insurance shall not be less than the amount specified.
  - \$1,000,000 per occurrence and a \$2,000,000 general aggregate
  
- c. Automobile Liability Insurance: The Vendor shall provide and maintain during the life of this Contract, Automobile Liability Insurance, Garage Liability Insurance and Garage Keepers Liability Insurance to be maintained in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, as to the ownership, maintenance and use of all owned, non-owned, leased or hired vehicles. The amount of each insurance type shall not be less than the amount specified.
  - Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence bodily injury and property damage
  - Garage Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence
  - Garage Keepers Liability: \$100,000 collision and comprehensive per occurrence

18. INVOICING AND PAYMENTS

The Vendor will invoice the HCSO for Work completed. All invoices must have a unique invoice number and show: vehicle identification number, vehicle mileage at pickup, HCSO vehicle number, Transmission Model number, HCSO Purchase Order number, description of the Work performed, labor rate and hours billed, parts cost and percentage markup. The Vendor's parts cost must be verifiable against the manufacturer's price list. For items priced at a percentage factor, the invoice must show the base price, the percentage factor and the final price. Shop supplies and vehicle pick up and return delivery are no cost items to the HCSO and shall not be included on any invoice. The Vendor shall invoice the HCSO separately for each individual vehicle. An aggregate invoice will not be accepted.

To track acceptance of repair Work and to insure expedited payment, a copy of the invoice shall be submitted with the return of the repaired vehicle and mailed to the HCSO for approval by the Fleet Maintenance Section Manager or their designee.

Invoices shall be addressed to: Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office  
 Attention: Accounts Payable  
 P.O. Box 3371  
 Tampa, FL 33601

Or emailed to: [accountspayable@hcsotampa.fl.us](mailto:accountspayable@hcsotampa.fl.us)

ACH and Purchasing Card are preferred methods of payment, and available upon request and authorization. Please inquire at [accountspayable@hcsotampa.fl.us](mailto:accountspayable@hcsotampa.fl.us) or at 813-247-8276.

Payment shall be made in accordance with §215.422, Fla. Stat. which states the vendor's rights and the HCSO's responsibilities concerning interest penalties and time limits for payment of invoices. Timely payment of invoices is incumbent upon the HCSO and in no case shall payment exceed 45 calendar days from date of receipt of a properly approved application/invoice.

19. EXCEPTIONS TO BID

All Bid Packages must clearly state with specific detail all deviations to the requirements imposed upon the Bid by the General Terms and Conditions (Part A), Special Provisions (Part B), and Technical Specifications (Part C). Such deviations should be stated upon the Bid Response (Part D), or appended thereto. Bidders are hereby advised that the HCSO will only consider Bid Responses that meet the specifications and other requirements imposed upon them by this Bid. In instances where an exception is stated upon the Bid Response (Part D), said Bid Response will be subject to rejection by the HCSO in recognition of the fact that said Bid Response does not meet the exact requirements imposed upon the Bidder by the General Terms and Conditions (Part A), Special Provisions (Part B), and Technical Specifications (Part C).

20. GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING COUNCILS

All bids received shall be considered as bids to all members of the Hillsborough County and Tampa Bay Area Government Purchasing Councils. Said members may, at their discretion, utilize this Bid as required.

- Children's Board of Hillsborough County
- City of Plant City
- City of Tampa
- City of Tampa Housing Authority
- City of Temple Terrace
- Clerk of Circuit Court of Hillsborough County
- Hillsborough Community College
- Hillsborough County Aviation Authority
- Hillsborough County Property Appraiser
- Hillsborough County Purchasing
- Hillsborough County School Board
- Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections
- Hillsborough County Tax Collector
- Hillsborough County Transit Authority
- State Attorney's Office
- Tampa Port Authority
- Tampa Sports Authority

**PART C - TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

**1. REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS**

The Vendor must have the equipment and certified personnel required to expeditiously complete the work and shall give priority to Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office (HCSO) vehicles.

- a. The work requirements of this bid shall include transmissions, torque converters and miscellaneous electro-mechanical devices mounted directly on the transmission, such as servos, solenoids, and actuators. The torque converter is considered to be an internal transmission component, not an appurtenance.
- b. The replacement of a transmission shall be completed on an exchange basis only and without core charges being assessed. The torque converter shall be replaced at the time of transmission replacement. The pressure flushing of torque converters is not acceptable. Transmission cooling system (lines containing transmission fluid) will be completely flushed as a regular part of the transmission installation.
- c. In the event the Vendor is unable to exchange a transmission, the Vendor may utilize the core being turned in by the HCSO and rebuild that transmission. The rebuilt transmission must meet or exceed the quality of the comparable exchanged transmission which would have been provided. A transmission rebuilt in this way is to be provided at the same price, turn-around period, warranty and other terms as set forth in this bid. In all cases, approval must be given by the Fleet Maintenance Manager or his designated representative, prior to rebuilding a transmission.
- d. The Vendor shall calibrate and test each transmission repaired or replaced to ensure proper functionality. The Vendor shall install new filters and oil on all transmissions services. An operational check (test drive) must also be completed to confirm optimal vehicle performance has been restored.
- e. Any repairs, service or diagnostic charges for peripheral mechanical or electrical subsystems require prior approval by the Fleet Maintenance Manager or their designee.

**2. FLEET VEHICLE COMPOSITION**

The HCSO vehicle fleet includes but is not limited to the following types of vehicles:

<b>MAKE</b>	<b>MODEL</b>	<b>YEAR</b>	<b>TRANSMISSION MODEL NO.</b>
Chevrolet	Impala	2006-2016	4T65, 6T75
Chevrolet	Malibu	2006-Present	4T40, 6T35
Chevrolet	Suburban	2006-2013	4L80, 6L80
Chevrolet	Tahoe	2010-2015	4L60, 4L80, 6L80
Dodge	2500 & 3500	2000-2002	47RE
Dodge	Caravan	2000-2014	41TE, 62TE
Dodge	Charger	2008-Present	722.6
Ford	Crown Victoria	2003-2011	4R75
Ford	Explorer	2016-Present	6F55
Ford	F150, F250 & F350	2004-Present	4R75, 6R80, 4R100, 5R110
Ford	Focus	2009-Present	4F27, 6F35
Ford	Fusion	2012-Present	U440E, 6F35
Ford	Taurus	2007-Present	AX4N, 6F50

The vehicles and transmission model numbers listed above represent the majority of the HCSO fleet composition. The list above is furnished as a guide for preparing the Bid Response (Part D), and should not be construed as a representation of all vehicles to be serviced under this contract.

3. ESTIMATES

The Vendor shall provide a written, detailed estimate for each vehicle. Estimated “time for repair” used to calculate labor cost will be based upon the pre-determined Parts and Labor Guide chosen for use by the Vendor and named in the Vendor’s Bid Package. A hard copy of said Guide will be provided to the Fleet Maintenance Manager for reference and shall be replaced with current publications as issued, (internet access to the chosen reference guide may be considered if there is no cost to the HCSO and if referenced pages can be printed for attachment to Work Orders).

The Fleet Maintenance Manager reserves the right to review each estimate with the Vendor and negotiate until agreement is reached that the estimate is complete and reasonable. No service shall commence until the Fleet Maintenance Manager or their designee approves the estimate.

4. HIDDEN DAMAGES

When during the course of repairing a vehicle, hidden damages or repair needs are discovered, the Vendor shall contact the Fleet Maintenance Manager to advise as to the nature and extent of the discovered damage and provide a written estimate of the additional cost to repair. No additional Work shall commence until approved by the Fleet Maintenance Manager or their designee.

5. RESPONSE TIME AND TIME FOR COMPLETION

The HCSO shall issue a Work Order for each vehicle requiring service. The Work Order will be submitted to the Vendor via email or fax. The Vendor is to respond to a request for repair by picking up the vehicle as soon as possible, not to exceed one (1) business day. Business days are considered Monday through Friday. The vehicle is to be either driven or towed to the Vendor’s repair facility where a written estimate will be prepared and emailed or faxed to the Fleet Maintenance Manager or their designee as soon as possible, not to exceed one (1) business day.

All repairs shall be completed and the vehicle returned to the HCSO Fleet Maintenance Section within five (5) business days or less following approval of the estimate. If a repair is expected to take longer than five (5) business days the Vendor must include a time of completion and justification for the time extension in the written estimate. The HCSO reserves the right to use an alternate repair service if the contracted Vendor cannot complete the Work within an acceptable time frame.

6. PRICING, RATES AND INVOICING

Repair rates are to be based on a flat hourly labor rate plus parts. Parts pricing will be based on the Vendor’s cost plus a percentage mark up. Time estimates for repair may be based on the agreed upon Parts and Labor Guide, but no published hourly labor rates are to be used other than those provided in response to this Bid. Labor rates are to include all overhead cost such as travel, estimate preparation, transportation of vehicle (drive or tow), shop supplies and all incidentals.

The actual time spent on repair multiplied by the Bid labor rate plus actual parts cost with markup will be the basis of the final invoice. However, under no circumstance shall the actual invoice amount exceed the final approved estimate.

7. OUTSIDE REPAIRS

Any resulting award shall not be construed to encompass all transmission repairs or replacements to the HCSO fleet. The HCSO reserves the right to have repairs or replacements performed by other providers, if necessary, to keep the maximum number of HCSO fleet vehicles in full operation.

8. VEHICLE SECURITY

All HCSO vehicles shall be kept secured while in the Vendor's possession. Unless being actively serviced, all vehicles shall be kept locked and all vehicle keys will be kept secured. To the extent provided by law, the Vendor shall be accountable and liable for damage or loss to HCSO vehicles and to any and all personal property in the vehicle(s) and for all vehicle accessories and equipment.

The Vendor shall be responsible for returning the vehicle in the same condition as it was received, pertaining to interior and exterior conditions.

9. VEHICLE TRANSPORT

As a matter of public safety, the Vendor shall operate HCSO vehicles on public roadways solely for the purpose of transporting to and from the Vendor's shop and only during the hours of 0700 and 1800 Monday through Friday. The Vendor will be required to conceal the emergency response lights (light bars) while operating the vehicle and will refrain from use of any and all other equipment and accessories. Light bar cover(s) will be provided by the Fleet Maintenance Section.

10. SUBCONTRACTING

The Vendor shall not subcontract any portion of the repair without the prior approval of the HCSO.

11. WARRANTY

The Vendor shall provide all transmissions with a warranty for a minimum one (1) year period, with unlimited mileage from the date the vehicle is returned to the HCSO. If a failure develops during the warranty period the Vendor shall be responsible for vehicle transportation and transmission repair or replacement at no cost to the HCSO.





2. PRICING

The undersigned has carefully examined the Bid Package and all conditions affecting the cost of the service or items required by the HCSO. The undersigned certifies that any exceptions to the Bid specifications are noted on the attached exceptions form. All specifications not noted thereon are as requested. The undersigned also understands that any exceptions presented after the award, may be cause for cancelation of award.

We hereby propose to furnish the below described service or commodity in accordance with the Bid Package, except as noted on attached Exceptions Form:

- a. Transmission Replacement with Exchange Included (Pricing is all inclusive ie: labor, parts, supplies)

Line Item	Make	Transmission Model No.	Price
1	Chevrolet	4T65	\$
2	Chevrolet	6T75	\$
3	Chevrolet	4T40	\$
4	Chevrolet	6T35	\$
5	Chevrolet	4L80	\$
6	Chevrolet	4L60	\$
7	Chevrolet	6L80	\$
8	Dodge	47RE	\$
9	Dodge	41TE	\$
10	Dodge	62TE	\$
11	Dodge	722.6	\$
12	Ford	4R75	\$
13	Ford	6F55	\$
14	Ford	6R80	\$
15	Ford	4R100	\$
16	Ford	5R110	\$
17	Ford	4F27	\$
18	Ford	6F35	\$
19	Ford	U440E	\$
20	Ford	AX4N	\$
21	Ford	6F50	\$

- b. Parts Pricing – Express as a percentage added to your cost \_\_\_\_\_% Over Cost
- c. Labor Rate – Fixed hourly labor rate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Hour  
(includes all overhead, shop supplies and vehicle transportation)
- d. Name of Parts & Labor Guide to be used in preparing estimates:

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3. VENDOR ORDER INSTRUCTIONS

Describe the preferred method of contact to place an order, (Please type or print).

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Office #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

4. BID CONTACT INFORMATION

Provide the contact information for the individual submitting this bid response, (Please type or print).

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Office #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the preferred method of contact for questions regarding this bid submission.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. AFFIRMATION AND DECLARATION

At this present time we understand all requirements and warrant that as a serious Bidder we will comply with all the stipulations included in the Bid Package. **The undersigned must be an officer of the company or a designated agent empowered to bind the company in contract.**

The above named Bidder affirms and declares:

- a) That Bidder is of lawful age and that no other person, firm or corporation has any interest in this Bid offered to be entered into;
- b) That this Bid is made without any understanding, agreement, or connection with any other person, firm or corporation making a bid for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud;
- c) That the Bidder is not in arrears to Hillsborough County or the HCSO upon debt or contract and is not a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the HCSO;
- d) That no officer, employee or person whose salary is payable in whole or in part from Hillsborough County Treasury, is, shall be or become interested, directly or indirectly, surety or otherwise in this Bid Response; in the performance of the contract; in the supplies, materials, equipment, and Work or labor to which they relate; or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The undersigned agrees that this Bid shall remain open for 90 days following the opening of bids.

Respectfully submitted by,

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Signer's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Company Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

REFERENCE LIST

References should be customers to which you provide similar commodities or services. It is the Bidder's responsibility to verify that the entity listed as a Reference will in fact comply as a reference and that the information provided for each Reference listed below is accurate.

Note: The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office may not be listed as a reference, (Please type or print).

1.	Company Name:	
	Contact Name & Title:	
	Direct Phone Number:	
	Email Address:	
	Commodity/Service Provided:	

2.	Company Name:	
	Contact Name & Title:	
	Direct Phone Number:	
	Email Address:	
	Commodity/Service Provided:	

3.	Company Name:	
	Contact Name & Title:	
	Direct Phone Number:	
	Email Address:	
	Commodity/Service Provided:	

**Bid Package Checklist**

The following checklist is included to assist the Bidder in submitting all required documents for a complete Bid Package. Additional documentation may be requested by the HCSO to ensure contract compliance. Please mark the box under the “YES” column to indicate that the document has been included in the Bid Package.

<b>Description of Document</b>	<b>Page #</b>	<b>YES</b>
Complete Vendor Name above Part A - General Terms and Conditions	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sign & complete acknowledgment of Part A - General Terms and Conditions	7	<input type="checkbox"/>
Current Insurance Certificate(s)	10-11	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Part D – Bid Response #2 (if not applicable indicate N/A)	17	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Part D – Bid Response #3, #4	18	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sign & Complete Part D - Bid Response #5	19	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Reference List	20	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sign & complete Appendix I – Vendor Application	Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sign & complete Addenda/Amendment Acknowledgement Form (if applicable)		<input type="checkbox"/>

STATEMENT OF NO BID

NOTE: If you do not intend to respond to this Invitation to Bid, please return this form immediately to:

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
FINANCIAL SERVICES DIVISION  
Email to: [purchasing@hcsso.tampa.fl.us](mailto:purchasing@hcsso.tampa.fl.us)  
Or Fax 813-242-1826

We, the undersigned, have declined to respond on Bid No. 18-17 Vehicle Transmission Replacement and Repair for the following reasons:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Specifications too "tight", i.e., geared toward one brand or manufacturer only (explain below).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Insufficient time to respond.
- \_\_\_\_\_ We do not offer this product or an equivalent.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Our Product schedule would not permit us to perform.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unable to meet specifications.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unable to meet Bond Requirements.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Specifications unclear (explain below).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

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We understand that if the "No Bid" letter is not executed and returned, our name may be deleted from the list of qualified Vendors for the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office.  
(PLEASE PRINT)

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY OFFICER \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

Below is an example of the information required on the OUTSIDE of your Bid Package.  
You may use this as a label if you wish.

CHAD CHRONISTER, SHERIFF  
2008 E. 8<sup>TH</sup> AVE  
TAMPA, FL 33605

ATTN: PURCHASING  
813-247-8034

BID PACKAGE SUBMITTAL

From: \_\_\_\_\_

BID # 18-17

VEHICLE TRANSMISSION REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR

OPENING DATE/TIME:

NOVEMBER 27, 2017 @ 3:00 PM