



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Mid Term Evaluation of the Inner City Basic Services Project

Loan No. 4819-JM

The Government of Jamaica has received a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) toward the cost of the Inner City Basic Services Project (ICBSP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the services of **Individual Consultants to carry out the mid term evaluation of the project**. This project is being implemented by the Jamaica Social Investment Fund. The project aims to improve access in targeted poor inner-city communities to basic services and financial services; strengthen community capacity to develop, manage and maintain basic infrastructure; and facilitate a reduction in the incidence of crime and violence in targeted inner city communities. The twelve communities identified for inclusion in this project are:

- ❑ **Kingston and St. Andrew**- Whitfield Town, Federal Gardens, Jones Town and Passmore Gardens (Dunkirk)
- ❑ **St. Catherine**-Central Village (Andrews Lane, Big Lane, Little Lane and Detroit) March Pen (Africa), Dempshire Pen/Jones Pen, (Shelter Rock), Lauriston, Tawes Pen and Knollis
- ❑ **Clarendon**- Bucknor/Rectory Land
- ❑ **St. James**- Flankers

The Jamaica Social Investment Fund now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in undertaking the scope of works listed below for the two separate components of the Mid Term Evaluation of the Inner City Basic Services Project

One consultant is needed for the evaluation of:

Public Safety

Summary of Terms of Reference

The objective of this assignment is to assess; (1) the various social processes that are currently being used to implement the ICBSP, and, (2) the impact of the implemented projects on the target population.

Specifically, the consultant shall:

1. Undertake an overall assessment of work to date and give clear objectives and options for program improvement. Also assess and chart the progress of the project's implementation in relation to the project performance indicators.
2. Conduct an Institutional and Stakeholder analysis of relevant stakeholders
3. Analyse primary data in select ICBSP Project communities that is available under data collection exercises completed by the Citizen's Security and Justice Programme implemented through the Ministry of National Security
4. Undertake three neighbourhood case studies from ICBSP Project communities
5. Convene a series of targeted focus group exercises to address key thematic areas and evaluate the relationship between the public safety and community infrastructure components.

Duration of the Contract

The contract will be for twenty six (26) working days over a six (6) week period.

Required Skills and Experience of Consultant

- Individual consultant must have at least a Masters in a Social related field.
 - Individual consultant must have at least ten (10) years experience in the social sector with knowledge of inner city communities.
 - Experience working with communities in Jamaica would be preferred.
 - At least five (5) years experience assessing operational procedures and the social implications of community interventions in addition to preparing reports for international donor agencies.
 - Experience in program evaluation in the social sector would be preferred.
 - Quality and Presentation of Statement of Capability
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One consultant is needed for the evaluation of:

Community Infrastructure

Summary of Terms of Reference

The objectives of the assignment are to assess the implementation process of the operation, to verify the main accomplishments and issues, to assist in the identification of solutions to current challenges and to make recommendations for improvement.

Specifically, the consultant shall:

1. Review and analyse JSIF's operational procedures, technical supervision and construction management processes which will include an assessment of the project's current costs, overrun costs
2. Assess the progress of the project's current execution timetable, its achievement of the development objectives, success factors in implementation and un/expected impacts and externalities. In addition the number of days for the procurement cycle and its impact on the project implementation is to be analysed.
3. Review sub project designs, actual sub projects (both completed and in implementation) and verify that Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CEPTED) principles were integrated. In addition make recommendations for any projects that may have foreseeable deficiencies.
4. Interview contractors to explore the concerns relating to why they chose not to bid on the JSIF ICBSIP projects and other similar issues
5. Assess a number of sub projects selected by the JSIF and analyse their structural integrity.
6. ICBSIP project components which have not reached the anticipated stage are to be reviewed, the reason for the delays assessed and recommendations made as to the way forward.

Duration of the Contract

The contract will be for twenty four (24) working days over a six (6) week period.

Required Skills and Experience of Consultant

- Individual consultant must have at least a Masters in an Engineering related field.
- Individual consultant must have at least ten (10) years experience in the building sector with knowledge of road and water projects being an advantage
- At least five (5) years experience evaluating infrastructure and preparing reports for International Donor Agencies.
- Quality and Presentation of Statement of Capability

Interested consultants must provide curriculum vitae outlining their qualification, experiences in undertaking similar assignments and necessary skills and expertise to deliver the relevant services.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in Section V (Individual Consultants) of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers (current edition).

Expressions of interest (EOI) along with curriculum vitae must be delivered to the address below or emailed to contracting@jsif.org at or before 12:00 noon on Friday, November 13, 2009. Copies of both Terms of Reference are available for viewing on the JSIF website or can be obtained from the JSIF Contracting Department.

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