



JAMAICA SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND

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BASIC NEEDS TRUST FUND NINTH CYCLE (BNTF 9)

- **EPWORTH RURAL FEEDER ROAD REHABILITATION – ST. ANN (#73588)**

INVITATION FOR BID

The Government of Jamaica (GOJ) has received funding from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in the amount of US\$7,521,000 towards the cost of the Basic Needs Trust Fund Ninth Cycle (BNTF 9). The Jamaica Social Investment Fund as the implementing agency intends to apply part of the proceeds of this grant to cover payments under contracts for which this invitation is issued. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOJ and upon approval by CDB and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOJ shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The Project is being implemented by the Jamaica Social Investment Fund. The Jamaica Social Investment Fund has contracted a Consultant who will provide design and supervision services for the Project activities.

1. Epworth Rural Feeder Road Rehabilitation – St. Ann

The Jamaica Social Investment Fund, the Executing Agency, now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for **Epworth Rural Feeder Road Rehabilitation – St. Ann (#073588)**. The works include, but are not limited to the following:

The bushing of 3.1km roadway, the construction of the (10,480 square metres) asphaltic concrete wearing course across 3.1km, the associated 180 mm thick river shingle sub-base course, 280mm thick marl base course, surface cross drainage infrastructure, the construction of 1600m v-channel, and the construction of 1990m side channel drainage to preserve the roadway. Construction period is six (6) months.

All bids must be accompanied by a **Bid Security of One Hundred Thousand Jamaican Dollars (J\$100,000.00)**.

Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms, which are legally incorporated or otherwise organised in, and have their principal place of business in an eligible country and are either:

- (a) more than 50% beneficially owned by a citizen or citizens and/or a bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements; or
- (b) owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operated under the commercial law of an eligible country and otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of the CDB Guidelines for Procurement Under Basic Needs Trust Fund Sub-Projects (2013).

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required, or do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

Qualification requirements include, but are not limited to the following:

- (a) **an average annual construction turnover** (defined as certified payments received for works in progress or completed) within the last five (5) years of at least Seventy - Eight Million Jamaican Dollars (J\$78,000,000.00); and
- (b) **a demonstrable cash flow** (including access to credit) of Seven Million Eight Hundred Thousand Jamaican Dollars (J\$7,800,000.00); and
- (c) **experience as prime contractor** in the construction of at least three (3) assignments of a nature, scope and complexity comparable to the proposed project activity within the last five (5) years (to comply with this requirement, works quoted should be at least 80 percent complete).
- (d) All National Bidders and their named sub-contractors participating in Public Sector procurement opportunities shall include in their bid, proof of being tax compliant by including in their submission a *valid Tax Compliance Certificate (TCC) or Tax Compliance Letter (TCL) and validation update* from the relevant authority. **International bidders will be required to obtain a valid TCC prior to award of contract (See www.jamaicatax.gov.jm)**
- (e) All national bidders and their named sub-contractors participating in Public Sector procurement opportunities shall include in their bid, proof of being registered with the National Contracts Commission (NCC) at the time of bid opening in **Grade 1** in the category **“Civil Engineering”** **OR** **Grade 1** in the category **“General Road Works”**. **International bidders must be registered with the NCC prior to award of contract (See www.ocg.gov.jm).**

Bidding Documents may be obtained by eligible bidders from the address below for a non-refundable fee of **Two Thousand Five Hundred Jamaican Dollars (J\$2,500.00)**. Requests may be made by written application including email. Written applications must be clearly marked: **“Request for Bidding Documents for Epworth Rural Feeder Road Rehabilitation – St. Ann (#073588)** along with the name, address and contact information of the bidder for which Bidding Documents are being requested. Payment must be made in cash or by certified cheque made payable to the Jamaica Social Investment Fund.

Applicants who request that documents be forwarded to them must submit an account number from a local courier agent that accepts freight collect charges. Documents will be promptly dispatched, but under no circumstance will the Jamaica Social Investment Fund be held responsible for late delivery or loss of the documents so transmitted.

Submissions in separate sealed envelopes clearly marked

“Bid for the Epworth Rural Feeder Road Rehabilitation – St. Ann (#073588)

must be received at the address below not later than **12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 22, 2019**. Bid opening will take place at **12:10 pm on Tuesday, October 22, 2019** at the address below in the presence of bidder's representatives who choose to attend.

The Jamaica Social Investment Fund reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for the Jamaica Social Investment Fund action. The Jamaica Social Investment Fund will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

Address for Correspondence, Bid Submission and Bid Opening:

Procurement Manager
Jamaica Social Investment Fund
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Kingston 5, Jamaica
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