

# **CHEROKEE COUNTY**

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# **REQUEST FOR BIDS**

**Proposal # 2025-19** 

**FOR** 

Scrap Metal at the Landfill

Issued on: Tuesday, January 21st, 2025

Due Date: Tuesday, February 18th, 2025, at 12:00 P.M. EST

Administered by: Abi Reid, Administrative Specialist

## **INTRODUCTION and INTENT of BID:**

#### **Notice to Vendors**

**Sealed proposals** will be received by Cherokee County from experienced, qualified vendors who specialize in the following:

# **Proposal # 2025-19**

#### **FOR**

## Scrap Metal at the Landfill

Bids for the purchase of the scrap metal at the Cherokee County Landfill located at 192 Lemuels Lane and subject to the conditions on Exhibit A and all provisions, etc., set forth herein and attached, will be received at the Administration Building- Administration Office until 12:00 PM on Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and then publicly opened and read at the next Council meeting, also on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Sealed Bids should be mailed or delivered to the Cherokee County Administration Building, Attn: Abi Reid at 110 Railroad Avenue, Gaffney, South Carolina 29340. Bids must be in a sealed envelope with bid #2025-19 visible on the outside of the envelope. The bid price must include all taxes and other items broken down with the total cost for the job. All requests for information should be by email abi.reid@cherokeecountysc.com. This service is required at the landfill to meet DHEC requirements.

### **GENERAL CONDITIONS and FINANCIAL PROVISIONS:**

**PRICING:** The company warrants that the pricing stated herein shall remain firm for a period of one (1) year from the first day of the contract period. Pricing shall include all charges that may be imposed in fulfilling the terms of the contract. A maximum of 5% per year during the second and third year will be accepted.

**PAYMENT TERMS:** Payment terms are NET 30 days following receipt of correct invoice. Invoices must be submitted to:

Cherokee County
Attn: Accounts Payable
110 Railroad Avenue
Gaffney, South Carolina 29340

Cherokee County is responsible for all payments to the Company under this contract.

**CHANGES:** Cherokee County shall have the right, at any time, to alter the specifications to meet increased or decreased needs. If any such changes cause an increase or decrease in the cost or the time required for the performance, or otherwise affects any other provision of this agreement, an equitable adjustment shall be made and this agreement shall be modified in writing accordingly.

**AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:** Any and all payments to the Company shall be deemed binding only to the extent of appropriated funds for the purpose set forth in this proposal.

**NON-DISCRIMINATION:** The Company shall not discriminate against any individuals and will take proactive measures to assure compliance with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment, employment of people with disabilities, and concerning the treatment of all employees without regard to discrimination based upon age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin or disability.

**GOVERNING LAWS:** This contract is made under and shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina.

**ADVERTISING:** In submitting a proposal to Cherokee County, the Company agrees not to use the results of their proposal as a part of any commercial advertising without prior approval of Cherokee County Government.

**CONFIDENTIALITY OF PROPOSALS:** In submitting a proposal the Company agrees not to discuss or otherwise reveal the contents of the proposal to any source outside of Cherokee County Government until after the award of the contract. Companies not in compliance with the provision may, at the option of Cherokee County, be disqualified from contract award. Only discussions authorized by the issuing agency are exempt from this provision.

**COST FOR PROPOSAL PREPARATION:** Any costs incurred by a Company in preparing or submitting proposals are the Companies' sole responsibility. Cherokee County will not reimburse any Company for any costs incurred prior to award of this contract.

**TIME FOR ACCEPTANCE:** Each proposal shall state that it is a firm offer which may be accepted within a period of 90 days following the submittal date, Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 12:00 P.M. Although the contract is expected to be awarded prior to that time, the 90-day period is requested to allow for unforeseen delays.

**RIGHT TO SUBMITTED MATERIAL:** All responses, inquiries, or correspondence relating to or in reference to this Request for Proposals, and all other reports, charts, displays, schedules, exhibits, and other documentation submitted by the Company shall become the property of Cherokee County when received.

**COLLUSIVE BIDDING**: The vendor's signature on the Cherokee County "Request for BID" is a guarantee that the prices quoted have been arrived at without collusion with other eligible Company and without effort to preclude Cherokee County Government from obtaining the lowest possible competitive price.

**ERRORS AND OMISSIONS:** The Contractor shall not take advantage of any errors or omissions in this BID. The Company shall promptly notify Cherokee County Government of any omissions or errors found in this document.

PROPOSAL OPENING: The proposal deadline is Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 12:00 P.M. and opened at 5:00 P.M on Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the County Council Meeting. On that date and time, the package containing the proposals from each responding Company will be publicly opened. At that time the name of the Company and the cost(s) offered will be announced. This is an open and public meeting. Interested parties may attend. However, it must be noted that these costs and their components are subject to further evaluation for completeness and correctness. Therefore, the cost(s) announced at that time may not be an exact indicator of the Companies pricing position. Neither can the assumption be made that the Company with the lowest price offered will be awarded the contract. See "EVALUATION CRITERIA" and "AWARD OF BID" for further explanation on the components involved with the award of this contract.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA:** Cherokee County Government, at its sole discretion, following an objective evaluation, will award this contract to the most responsible, responsive Company. The proposals will be evaluated on a "best overall value" basis including, but not limited to, completeness and content of the proposal, pricing, quality, the Company's ability to follow the specifications, the Company's ability to provide a team of skilled, trained employees, the Company's experience with similar projects and the Company's responses to "Mandatory Issues". In addition to these considerations, the evaluators may request additional information, oral presentations or discussions with any or all of the responding Company's to clarify elements of their proposal or to amplify the materials presented in any part of the proposal. However, Companies are cautioned that the evaluators are not required to request clarification; therefore, all proposals should be complete and reflect the most favorable terms available from the Company.

Cherokee County reserves the right to make independent investigations as to the qualifications of the Company. Such investigations may include contacting existing customers. Companies should keep in mind that this is a Request for Proposals and not a request to contract. Cherokee County reserves the unqualified right to accept or reject any and all proposals, and to waive any irregularities as may be permitted by law when it is deemed that such action will be in the best interest of Cherokee County.

**REFERENCE TO OTHER DATA:** Only information which is received in response to this BID will be evaluated. Reference to information previously submitted shall not be evaluated.

AWARD OF BID: Cherokee County Government, at its sole discretion, following an objective evaluation, will award this contract to the most responsible, responsive Company. Price will be a major consideration but will not be the determining factor in our selection. The award of this contract will be based and granted on "BEST VALUE." "BEST VALUE" will allow Cherokee County to consider factors beyond pricing such as whether the responsible Company is able to meet and/or exceed the required specifications. "BEST VALUE" will permit and reflect prudent stewardship of public funds and trust. Award of the contract to one Company does not mean that the other proposals lacked merit. Award of the contract signifies that after all factors have been considered, the selected proposal was deemed most advantageous to Cherokee County

**NOTIFICATION OF AWARD:** After all prerequisites and specifications have been met by the Company and the award for the fence has been made, the successful Company will be notified within ten (10) working days of this award. Cherokee County will notify the successful Company in writing, either by a LETTER OF AWARD or a PURCHASE ORDER or both. VERBAL NOTIFICATION OF THE AWARD OF THIS CONTRACT IS NOT

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CONSIDERED A RELIABLE MODE OF NOTIFICATION AND, THEREFORE, WILL NOT BE RECOGNIZED AS AN OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION.

**TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:** Cherokee County reserves the right to terminate this contract at any time for cause. The violation of any provision or condition contained in this contract, or the refusal, failure, or inability to carry out any provisions of this contract shall constitute sufficient grounds to terminate this contract for cause.

**TERMINATION WITHOUT CAUSE:** Cherokee County and the Company may terminate this contract without cause. Written notice of termination must be sent via certified U.S. mail no later than thirty (30) days prior to the termination date.

### **EMPLOYEE GUIDELINES:**

**DRUG POLICY:** The Company certifies that it maintains a drug free work place environment to ensure worker safety and workplace integrity. The Company further agrees their employees shall comply with Cherokee County's Drug-Free Workplace Policy.

**EMPLOYEE GUIDELINES:** The Company shall use only qualified personnel to provide the required services. The Company shall be responsible for insuring that employees abide by all rules and regulations set forth for the buildings and grounds.

## **SAFETY:**

**State and Federal Regulations:** The Company shall perform all work in accordance with State and Federal safety regulations in regards to work zones, work areas, equipment, vehicles, tools and supplies. The Company shall provide all necessary and required work zone protective devices and traffic channeling devices as required under State and Federal safety regulations.

**Public Safety:** The Company shall protect the safety and convenience of the general public. The Company shall perform work as needed and necessary to protect the general public from hazards.

### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

**HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES:** Cherokee County invites and encourages participation in this Request for Proposals process by businesses owned by minorities, women, disabled, disabled business enterprises and non-profit work centers for the blind and severely disabled.

## **PROPOSAL INFORMATION:**

• Proposals will be received by Cherokee County by Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 12:00 P.M. Proposals may be submitted by mail or delivered in person. NO faxed or email proposals will be accepted. The Administrative Specialist must receive all proposals at the following location PRIOR to the date and time specified. Any proposal received after the date and time prescribed shall NOT be considered for award and the proposal shall be returned to the Company.

Each proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to:

Cherokee County Due Date Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 12:00 P.M.

Cherokee County
Attn: Abi Reid
110 Railroad Avenue
Gaffney, South Carolina 29340

- Each sealed envelope containing a proposal must be plainly marked with the <u>"COMPANY'S NAME"</u>, "BID TITLE", "BID NUMBER", and the "BID OPENING DATE & TIME".
- All proposals must be submitted on the required forms. All blank spaces for bid prices must be completed in ink
  or typewritten. The Bid Forms must be completed, signed, and dated by an official of the company authorized to
  bind the firm. Unsigned proposals will not be considered. Proposals must consist of one (1) original and one (1)
  copy. These proposals shall be marked as such Original and Copy.
- Questions regarding this BID must be submitted in writing directly to Abi Reid at <u>abi.reid@cherokeecountysc.com</u>
   or to Ronnie Benton at Ronnie.benton@cherokeecountysc.com
- A conditional or qualified proposal will not be accepted.
- Prior to receiving the contract, the successful bidders will be required to submit a Certificate of Liability Insurance and W9.
- All on-site contractors including 1099 vendors who perform work on Cherokee County property and the premises
  of Special Tax Districts utilizing County collected funding, are required to carry Workers Compensation Insurance
  Coverage. Proof of insurance (certificates) must be on file before a purchase order can be issued or work begun.
  Any exceptions to this requirement must be approved by the County Administrator. The requirements are as
  follows: Workers Comp = Statutory Limits

Employers Liability: \$100,000 Minimum General Liability: \$1,000,000 Minimum Auto Liability: \$1,000,000 Minimum

If selling products for a building project, the general liability must include Products and Completed Operations coverage. For high-risk jobs (i.e. asbestos removal) a higher limit may be required. For businesses not required by law to obtain Worker's Compensation Insurance, the cost of WC coverage on the part of Cherokee County may be factored into the bid/quoted price.

# **COMPANY INFORMATION:**

1.	Owner of the Company
2.	Location of the Company
3.	List the number of years in business
4.	Is your business full or part-time?
5.	List the number of people employed on a regular basis.
6.	Do you maintain an office that is staffed during normal daily working hours?
7.	Who is the County's contact person in the event your firm is awarded the contract?
	E-mail Address:
8.	List at least four (4) references of firms (not residences) in which your company has provided services within the past two (2) years.

Company Name	Contact Name	Telephone Number

SIGN THIS BID AS OR FOR THE COMPANY.

**AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:** 

#### **REQUEST FOR BID**



**BID TITLE:** 

# CHEROKEE COUNTY 110 RAILROAD AVENUE GAFFNEY, SOUTH CAROLINA 29340

**BID NUMBER:** 

Scrap Metal at the Landfill	# 2025-19
Issue Date:	Purchasing Contact & Telephone
January 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2025,	Abi Reid Administrative Specialist 864-902-2299
PROPOSAL DUE DATE & TIME:	
Tuesday, February 18 <sup>th</sup> ,	2025, at 12:00 P.M.
NOTE: Proposals received after the opening	date and time will not be accepted.
Cherokee County Government solicits your company to sure By signing this form, the Company signifies their acceptant forth in this Request for Proposals. All proposals must have below. Two (2) copies of your proposal must be see Administration Office, 110 Railroad Avenue, Gaffney, The package containing proposals for this project must result in the BID NUMBER, and the "BID OPENING DATE & TIME". Cherokee County Government will not be responsible for lated delivery services used by the Company. Proposals may not the bid opening unless otherwise specified.  THE FOLLOWING MUST BE COMPLETED, SIC YOUR PROPOSAL. PROPOSALS WILL NOT ENGRED BY AN AUTHORIZED AGENT OF THE	nce of all terms, conditions, and specifications set ave an authorized signature in the space provided aled and delivered to: CHEROKEE COUNTY, South Carolina, 29340 before the BID deadline. Eference the "COMPANY'S NAME", "BID TITLE", NO faxed or email proposals will be accepted. te or lost bids by the U.S. Postal office or any other of the withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after SNED, AND RETURNED AS PART OF BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THIS FORM,
COMPANY NAME:	
MAILING ADDRESS:	
CITY, STATE, ZIP:	
EMPLOYER'S FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:	
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	FAX NUMBER:

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME:

TITLE:\_\_\_\_\_DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CONNECTION WITH ANY OTHER CONTRACTOR SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL FOR THE SAME SERVICES, AND IS IN ALL RESPECTS FAIR AND WITHOUT COLLUSION OR FRAUD. I AGREE TO ABIDE TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BID AND CERTIFY THAT I AM AUTHORIZED TO

#### **GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS/BID SHEET**

Bids for the purchase of the scrap metal at the Cherokee County Landfill located at 192 Lemuels Lane and subject to the conditions on Exhibit A and all provisions, etc., set forth herein and attached, will be received at the Administration Building- Administration Office until 12:00 PM on Tuesday, February 18th, 2025, and then publicly opened and read at the next Council meeting, also on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Sealed Bids should be mailed or delivered to the Cherokee County Administration Building, Attn: Abi Reid at 110 Railroad Avenue, Gaffney, South Carolina 29340. Bids must be in a sealed envelope with bid #2025-19 visible on the outside of the envelope. The bid price must include all taxes and other items broken down with a total cost for the job. All requests for information should be by email ronnie.benton@cherokeecountysc.com or can be found on our website <a href="https://cherokeecountysc.gov/finance-purchasing/">https://cherokeecountysc.gov/finance-purchasing/</a> under the "Cherokee County Bids/Specs tab. This service is required at the landfill to meet DHEC requirements.

Federal ID #				
Contractor Name:				
Contact telephone numbe	r:			
Timeline:			<u> </u>	
SCRAP METAL		<u>TON</u>		
QUANTITY/COMMODITIES/SERVICES			UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT
See "Exhibit A" attached h	ereto and ma	de part her	eof.	
NOTICE TO BIDDERS:	Bids must be submitted on this form. Bids made otherwise will be			
	subject to	rejection.		

Contact Ronnie Benton at the Landfill (864) 487-2537 for a site visit.

#### Exhibit A

The following is open for bid at Cherokee County Administration Building, 110 Railroad Avenue., Gaffney, South Carolina 29340.

- 1. The bidder must be a dealer of individual who deals in the recycled metal.
- 2. Dealers must be able to transport metal to their location for processing.
- 3. Dealers or individuals must remove <u>all</u> scrap metal, including propane tanks, etc.
- 4. Dealer or individual must be in good financial stability.
- 5. A dealer or individual must show proof of all insurance, this includes worker's comp and must be included with bid.
- 6. A dealer must be able to dispose of the Freon in all equipment and meet all standards set by DHEC.
- 7. The highest bidder must be able to start and complete the job within 45 days after the bid has been awarded.
- 8. The bid must be priced on a 2,000-pound tonnage price.

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#### Cost Proposal/Execution of Proposal

By submitting this proposal, the potential Company certifies the following:

- This proposal is signed by an authorized representative of the firm.
- The cost and availability of all materials, and supplies associated with performing the services described herein have been determined and included in the proposed cost.
- All costs, direct and indirect, have been determined and included in the proposed cost.
- The potential Company has read and understands the conditions set forth in this BID and agrees
  to them with no exceptions. If exceptions exist, they must be listed on a separate numbered
  sheet
- Prior to receiving the contract, the successful bidders will be required to submit a Certificate of Liability Insurance

Therefore, in compliance with this Request for Proposals, and subject to all conditions herein, the undersigned offers and agrees, to perform the services in accordance with the specifications and conditions in this BID at the prices quoted, if this proposal is accepted within 90 days from the date of the opening.

COMPANY:	
ADDRESS:	
CITY, STATE, ZIP:	
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	FAX:
FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION N	UMBER:
E-MAIL:	
BY:	
Signature	Typed or printed name
Title	Date

#### THIS PAGE MUST BE SIGNED AND INCLUDED IN YOUR PROPOSAL



# CHEROKEE COUNTY VENDOR PREFERENCE AFFIDAVIT

• • •	, who being duly sworn, pany representative) certifies that the vender identified in this Bid Response meets a preference as defined in Part 8 of the Cherokee County Purchasing Policy and as amended.
By this written claim, E this Bid.	Bidder requests that the preference be exercised in consideration of the award of
BIDDER CERTIFIED THE FOLLOWING):	THAT HE MEETS ALL QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE (CHECK ONLY ONE OF
1. CHERC	OKEE COUNTY VENDOR PREFERENCE
Bidder Signature:	
Bidder Name:	
Position:	
Firm Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Subscribed and sworr	to before me this day of,,
NOTARY PUBLIC FO	R SOUTH CAROLINA
MY COMMISSION EX	(PIRES:

\*\*\*\*This page ONLY applies to vendors that are located in Cherokee County