

Tossing the turkey



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Jim Holmes, Tribal member and the Tribe's Risk and Insurance administrator, heads for a first-place finish as he throws a frozen turkey while participating the annual Turkey Bowling event in front of the Governance Center on Tuesday, Nov. 17. Holmes took first place in the Men's Division by knocking down 16 jugs, while the Tribe's GIS Coordinator Volker Mell took second and Joshua Clift, the Tribe's Associate Vocational & Noncredit Program coordinator, took third. In the Women's Division, Tribal Legal Assistant Kerrina Mishler took first place, Tribal Council Senior Administrative Assistant Lauri Smith took second and Tribal bookkeeper Amy Gallant took third.

Semper Fi



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Tribal member and Tribal Librarian Marion Mercier, left, cuts a piece of cake for Tribal Council member and veteran June Sell-Sherer during the U.S. Marine Corps birthday celebration held at the Elders' Activity Center on Tuesday, Nov. 10. The Marine Corps turned 234 on the 10th.

Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority



The Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners recently revised the Down Payment Assistance Policy related to grants to multiple Tribal member households. Contact GRTHA for a copy of the revised policy at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2401.

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

NOTICE TO FULL SERVICE SURVEY ORGANIZATIONS:

This Statement of Qualification (SOQ) and Request for Proposal (RFP) process is being conducted by the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority for the purpose of obtaining a list of potential bidders who have the experience and qualifications to conduct housing needs assessment surveys.

It is the mission of the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority (GRTHA) to provide affordable housing to the membership of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (CTGR). In 2005, a Housing Needs Assessment was performed to determine Tribal housing needs, and since then membership has continued to increase. GRTHA, once again, desires to obtain a survey to update data on the housing needs of Tribal members, and to meet the requirements under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, as amended (NAHASDA). This project will be funded with Indian Housing Block Grant funding, and contracts will be required to comply with the federal requirements set forth in Exhibit A (NAHASDA Service Agreement Rider).

Including in contracts a clause requiring contractors, to the greatest extent feasible, to provide opportunities for training and employment for lower income residents of the project area and to award subcontracts for work in connection with the project to business concerns with are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the area of the project, as described in 24 CFR 135, pursuant to Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968.

Responses to this SOQ and RFP will be mailed a bid packet and those responses will be used to qualify applicants for contract negotiations. Applicants wishing to be considered must request a Qualification Packet as provided by the GRTHA and respond to the requirements put forth therein. The Qualification Packet shall be received no later than 3:00 p.m. prevailing time, Friday, Dec. 11, 2009. Qualification Packets shall be sent to Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority, Attention Gregory L. Martin, 28450 Tyee Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347; phone 503-897-2401. The Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority recognizes a Native American Preference and reserves the right to reject any and all statements of Qualification for good cause if it is determined in the public interest to do so and waive any informality in the qualification process.

Request for Proposal CLASS INFORMATION

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde has members who access cultural education classes in three offices. We are seeking to attain a variety of proposals for cultural education classes that can be offered to our membership.

SUPPORTING EFFORTS (awarded contractor shall)

- Provide all general contracting services requested within this Request for Proposal if awarded.
- Provide all material for the class that is being offered.
- Contractor shall be responsible for providing a syllabus for the classes being offered by the end of the class.
- Provide a sign-in sheet for each of the classes, where contractor delineates between Tribal members or non-Tribal members.
- Contractor shall act as a liaison between the Cultural Resources Department and the general membership. They will assist in providing a positive vision of the program.
- Contractor is responsible for all travel-related expenses including transportation, housing, meals or supplemental receipts. Mileage will be reimbursed, but contractor will not get paid an hourly rate while traveling to offices from their home.

SCOPE OF SERVICE

Please be sure to respond to each question explicitly when asked for information requested within this Request for Proposal. For purposes of submission, answer questions according to the numerical order listed below. Submissions not formatted correctly will not be considered.

1. Give a detailed list of the class or classes that you would like to teach. Please include any relevant background information as to why Grand Ronde should be hosting these classes.
2. What is your distance from the Grand Ronde office, Portland office and Eugene office? Are you willing to travel to each of the offices to teach your class, or classes?
3. How long have you been practicing your art?
4. List any recent shows or exhibits where your art was displayed or demonstrated.
5. Describe the materials that you will need to instruct your class. If they are specialized materials, describe how you will be able to obtain these items.
6. Will your class need specialized classroom space? If so, describe what will be required for your class.
7. Please include a detailed list of the cost per class in your proposal.
8. Describe any particular features of your organization that have not been addressed or you would like to elaborate upon.

Submit bids no later than Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2009, to Misty Thorsgard, Cultural Education Specialist, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347. Phone: 541-740-2320 or fax 503-879-2126. For questions e-mail: misty.thorsgard@grandronde.org.