

**Request for Proposals**  
Ballistic Personal Protective Gear  
Fargo Police Department/RRV SWAT  
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Application Overview

The Fargo Police Department/RRV SWAT serving a community of 108,000 residents is seeking a Request for Proposal for ballistic personal protective gear. The Fargo Police Department is looking to purchase 32 ballistic personal protective gear systems.

All proposals must be received by 4pm on Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup> 2021, at the City of Fargo Auditor's Office, City of Fargo, 225 4<sup>th</sup> St. N, Fargo, ND 58102.

**Products to be delivered**

(32) Ballistic protective gear systems with all applicable accessories

- Ballistic soft panels must meet NIJ 0101.06 Level IIIA Ballistic Standards.
- Ballistic soft panels must not exceed 1.09 pounds per square foot.
- Ballistic soft panels must achieve a v50 rating of .357 Sig/1865 fps, .44 Mag/1690 fps.
- Back-face deformation on ballistic soft panels must not exceed .357 Sig/30.3mm, .44 Mag/35.4 mm.
- Ballistic hard plates must meet NIJ Level III Ballistic Standards.
- Protective Gear must come in at least 5 different sizes for proper fitting.
- The vendor must provide a sample product for testing and evaluation prior to the approval of any contract or purchase.
- Protective gear and pouch material must incorporate a Kevlar type material in its construction to assist in durability and length of service life.
- Protective gear must incorporate a panel suspension and energy disbursement frame to retain the proper configuration of the ballistic panels and reduce potential bunching or sagging of ballistic material.
- Protective gear must incorporate a customizable design for modular capability and quick accessory change out.
- Protective gear must incorporate sizing and design to include female body shapes and sizes.
- Carrier must feature an antimicrobial/FR treated padding system.
- Carriers must be equipped with MOLLE to allow for the attachment of pouches and other gear.
- Carriers must be equipped with a Zip-On back panel system to allow for the attachment of other gear.

### **RFP Award Process**

Issuance of this RFP does not compel the Fargo Police Department to award. The Fargo Police Department reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, wholly or in part; to waive any technicalities, informalities, or irregularities in any proposal at its sole option and discretion. No modifications to proposal shall be accepted from the Vendor after the Submittal Date and Time. The Fargo Police Department reserves the right to re-solicit for proposals or to temporarily or permanently abandon the procurement process at its discretion. The Fargo Police Department reserves the right to issue an addendum or multiple addendums to the RFP at any time for any reason. All Vendors will receive any and all addendums issued. After the RFP proposal submission closure date, an award may be made on the basis of the proposals initially submitted, without discussion, clarification or modification. Therefore, the Vendors should make sure their proposals contain the best offer.

### **Responsible Proposers**

The Fargo Police Department reserves the right to award contracts only to responsible Proposers. Responsible Proposers are defined as companies that demonstrate the financial ability, resources, skills, capability, willingness, and business integrity necessary to perform on the contract. The Fargo Police Department determination of whether a Vendor is a responsible Proposer is at the Fargo Police Department sole discretion. Upon award of a contract or agreement to purchase the vendor must deliver all products within one hundred and eighty days of the award date.