

The Nassau County Department of Public Works (DPW) encourages Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE) and Section 3 Participation in the Baldwin Downtown and Commercial Corridor Resiliency Study. To support participation, a Pre-Proposal Conference and Networking Session was held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 21, 2015 in the Legislative Chamber in the Theodore Roosevelt Executive and Legislative Building, 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501. The conference was followed by an MWBE/Section 3 Networking Session. The following written responses to questions posed during the conference are offered to provide the information to people that were able to attend the September 21, 2015 conference as well as to provide the information to anyone that was unable to attend the September 21, 2015 conference. The questions asked during the conference are shown in bold font and the answers are shown in plain font under each question.

The Pre-Proposal Conference sign-in sheets, any business cards collected during the conference and this Q and A sheet will also be available via Addenda and on the DPW's website at: <http://nassaucountyny.gov/3920/CDBG-DR-Baldwin-Downtown>

1. Q. Is there a boundary for Section 3 Residents?

A. Yes. HUD defines a Section 3 Resident as:

A public housing resident or individual who resides in the metro area or non-metropolitan county in which the Section 3 assistance is expended and who is considered to be a low to very-low income person or family house income.

2. Q. What sort of public outreach does the County expect to see? Does the County want to see a specific number and type of meetings with regard to public outreach?

A. Nassau County's guidance is to use all types of media outreach. For prior projects, we have done traditional mailings, we have used social media, Volunteers from local organizations and/or civic groups have handed out flyers, posted them and gone door to door. The civic groups and chambers of the community usually convey what form of outreach is best to reach the businesses and citizens in their community.

The County will also leave the number of meetings and types of groups and organization up to proposers. We recommend that the format be flexible so that workshops can be converted to a focus groups or technical workshop, etc.

Please note the 12 month schedule with draft recommendations due in 6 months. The purpose for the time frame is to be sure that NYS can obligate the CDBG-DR funds by the corresponding deadline and the County expects to be sure to work with GOSR on securing funds to implement the recommendations that come out of the study.

Also in the evaluation criteria, please note 10 % is devoted to cost, which differs from prior planning study RFP's. Cost will be evaluated based on formula in the RFP. The score will be inserted into the overall technical score total and will also become part of final score.