

State of West Virginia Department of Administration Purchasing Division

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Due to the size of this bid, it was impractical to scan every page for online viewing. We have made an attempt to scan and publish all pertinent bid information. However, it is important to note that some pages were necessarily omitted.

If you would like to review the bid in its entirety, please contact the buyer. Thank you.

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Re:

Architectural/Engineering Services

Clarksburg State Office Building - RFQ: GSD096402

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Blackwood Associates, Inc. (BAI) and **MSES Consultants, Inc. (MSES)** are pleased to submit this expression of interest in providing professional services for the proposed State Office Building to be located in downtown Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Blackwood Associates, Inc. is an Architectural and Planning firm located in Fairmont, WV and would provide all project planning and design. **MSES Consultants, Inc.**, is an Engineering firm located in Clarksburg and Huntington, West Virginia, providing all engineering disciplines. The two firms have merged operations to become the largest full service architectural/engineering provider in West Virginia.

The **BAI/MSES** firm offers a combined professional staff of over 80 people, with registered architects, engineers and a diverse roster of professionals, scientists, technicians and support personnel. Our team also has the ability to provide survey and environmental services and can assist an Owner in preparation of bidding documents for demolition of on-site existing structures. **BAI/MSES** is a single source that can provide the professional disciplines required for a project of this nature. Professional services will be managed and performed by full-time, in-house personnel out of the Fairmont, Clarksburg and Huntington offices.

The City of Clarksburg selected **BAI/MSES** to design a new State Office Complex, to be located on property in the downtown area for a building that would house the WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Tax Department, Bureau of Employment, Department of Corrections, Department of Rehabilitation, Harrison County Health Department and Physical Therapy. The project was designed but not built by the City of Clarksburg.

The project involved purchase of several lots and demolition of the John W. Davis building currently on site. The cleared property was to be used for construction of a three-story, 80,000 square foot complex. Employee, handicapped and public parking facilities were also to be provided.





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Knowledge of the John W. Davis property will expedite completion of a State Office Building on the proposed site. **BAI/MSES** have that knowledge by working with the City of Clarksburg on property purchase, survey, environmental, archeological, and demolition issues. BAI/MSES also worked with the State to determine the project was feasible without the need to purchase adjacent residential property.

We have enclosed examples of relevant projects along with additional information on the proposed City State Office Building. This is only a small example of our work and we recommend a visit to **wvarchitects.com** to see our full project portfolio. We hope to be given the opportunity to present this information in an interview setting.

BAI and **MSES** are West Virginia firms with a combined 81 years of providing architecture and engineering to State of West Virginia clients. Our 18 years of successful practice as a team is the direct result of our ability to provide all professional disciplines necessary for a project.

We truly look forward to the opportunity to discuss the project with you, and to present our qualifications and approach on a personal basis. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

BLACKWOOD ASSOCIATES, INC. ARCHITECTS AND PLANNERS

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