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Neighborhood Stabilization Program "Request for Qualifications"

The Northwest Georgia Regional Commission (NWGRC) is administering and implementing the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP1) on behalf of Whitfield County. The Whitfield County Neighborhood Stabilization Program will be administered through September 2013. NWGRC is issuing a "Request for Qualifications/Proposal" (RFQ/P) for individuals or firms to provide any of the following services:

- Appraisers
- Attorneys
- Home Inspectors
- Landscape Professionals
- Realtors
- Residential Builders

The Whitfield County has been selected by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as a grant recipient for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program. Funding is contingent upon availability of funds under the Housing and Economic Recovery Act 2008 and it is estimated that approximately \$314k in funds will be available to purchase, redevelop, and re-sell vacant and foreclosed properties which are located in eligible NSP census tracts. NWGRC will also facilitate homeowner education counseling between for interested purchasers. Additional information on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program can be obtained from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs at http://www.dca.state.ga.us/communities/CDBG/programs/nsp.asp and from The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/neighborhoodspg/

The bidder's conference relating to these RFQs will be held at 11am on Thursday September 13, 2012 at the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission – Dalton Office, 503 West Waugh Street, Dalton, GA 30720. Any questions prior to the bidder's conference may be directed to Michael M. Miller at 706-295-6485 or via email at mmiller@nwgrc.org.

Individuals or firms interested in providing any of these services are encouraged to respond to the RFQ relating to that service. Each of the RFQs is available on-line at <u>www.whitfieldcountyga.com</u> or <u>www.nwgrc.org</u>. Copies may be requested either by fax (706-295-6665) or to the mailing address provided below. Requests for RFQs by telephone (except FAX) will not be accepted.

Respondents are required to submit qualifications/proposals by September 27, 2012. Responses should be mailed to P.O. Box 1798 Rome, GA 30162. Local individuals, small, minority and/or women's businesses are encouraged to apply. NWGRC reserves the right to reject any/all responses received; to accept the lowest and most responsive proposal; to negotiate with responsive bidders for the best price; and to cancel the request if it is in the best interests of Paulding County or NWGRC to do so. Funding is contingent upon the availability of State/Federal funds.