

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Cultural Healing Garden

PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

Objective

The Waimānalo Health Center (WHC), a non-profit, community health center, requests proposals for Landscaping Design and Services by 5pm, Friday, July 13, 2018.

Location

This capital project is for the Waimanalo Health Center located at 41-1347 Kalaniana`ole Highway, Waimanalo, HI 96795 (TMK (1) 4-1-09-279).

Background of the Waimanalo Health Center

The Waimānalo Health Center is a non-profit, federally qualified community health center committed to providing the highest level of primary and preventive health services, with special attention to the needs of Native Hawaiians and the medically underserved, and improving the health and wellness of individuals and their `ohana regardless of their ability to pay.

Founded in 1992, WHC services over 4,500 patients through a variety of services including medical services, behavioral health services, dental services and outreach and eligibility. WHC primarily serves the underserved geographic area of Waimānalo on the Windward side of the island of O`ahu. Over 50% of WHC's patients are Native Hawaiian, about 9% do not have health insurance and over 50% fall below the federal poverty level. WHC is proud of its achievements in assisting patients obtain optimum health outcomes despite their complex health and socioeconomic needs.

Purpose and Description

In 2016, WHC expanded its services to include the integration of native healing services within its approach to improving patient health outcomes. The proposed garden supports the cultural healing services provided at WHC by making available native and medicinal plants for distribution to WHC patients and supplementing the educational experience of community members and patients who participate in cultural healing group classes.

The proposed project is grant funded within a short granting period and includes organizational objectives which is dependent on the completion of the garden.

Proposal Requirements

Waimānalo Health Center is seeking a partner to design a cultural healing garden and implement the approved design plans. Proposals must include:

- Company qualifications and background including expertise in cultural landscaping and native plants.
- Scope of Services See Appendix A for details.
- Proposed timeline of activities with the proposed completion date of the garden as October 15, 2018. Weekends may be considered depending on the work and meeting the operational needs of Waimānalo Health Center.
- Detailed fee proposal

- A short summary of company's contributions to the community including volunteerism, participation in community projects, in-kind contributions, donations, etc...
- List of three client references

<u>Selection</u>

The selection criteria are outlined below and will be used to evaluate proposals. WHC intends to negotiate contract terms with the most qualified consultant. Selection will be made by WHC based on the submitted fee proposal and preliminary interviews. Criteria will include:

- Responsiveness to organizational needs and anticipated scope of work
- Demonstrated experience and expertise in working with native plants
- Detailed listing of projected cost of services

Review of proposals will occur starting July 13, 2018 with notification to those who submitted a proposal by August 30, 2018.

Activity	Scheduled Date	
RFP Announcement	June 15, 2018	
Proposal Deadline	July 13, 2018	
Review of Proposals	July 14 – August 23, 2018	
Notification of Award	August 30, 2018	
Tentative Start Date	September 10, 2018	
Tentative End Date	October 15, 2018	

Receipt of Proposals

Electronic submissions are preferred and should be submitted to Leina`ala Bright, Cultural Health Prevention Specialist, at lbright@waimanalohealth.org. If using postal mail, please ensure the proposals are received by Friday, July 13, 2018 and send proposals to:

Waimānalo Health Center 41-1347 Kalaniana`ole Hwy Waimānalo, HI 96795 ATTN: Leina`ala Bright

You may also hand deliver your proposal to the above address before 5pm on July 13, 2018.

Contact Information

Please direct all questions to Leina`ala Bright, Cultural Health Prevention Specialist, at lbright@waimanalohealth.org or (808) 259-7948.

Interested parties may contact Leina`ala Bright to schedule a tour of the potential site.

Appendix A: Scope of Services

Proposals for the Cultural Healing Garden at the Waimānalo Health Center shall include:

- o Designing of a roughly 7,000 square foot cultural healing garden
- Assistance with native plant selection to optimize the cultural value specific for the Waimanalo environment
- Site preparation including the clearing (cutting down and stump grinding, as needed) of 3 milo, 2 plumeria, 1 African tulip, various smaller trees and plants.
- o Repositioning of large stones, rock walls need to be repaired:
 - Circular grow beds around the gathering place
 - The present pathway from the parking lot with rock walls
- Implementation of irrigation system and xeriscaping recommendations for water conservation and project sustainability
- Implementation of cultural landscape including planting of native and medicinal plants:
 - Implementation of 6- 20 ft. x 6 ft. garden beds with traditional or natural rock walls (not set with cement or other binding agent).
 - Clean and landscape the existing garden beds surrounding the gathering place
 - A stand-alone, mobile nursery workbench for potting plants as well as prepping la'au with a shade cloth covering.
 - Stations for irrigation:
 - Irrigation for the circular grow beds around the gathering place.
 - Irrigation of 6 20' X 6' grow beds between the gathering place and the WHC building there will be a 3' space between each grow bed.
 1 station will be placed next to the workbench
 - Estimate of 4 truckloads of large rocks to fix and make border of grow beds in the gathering place as well as the walls for the 6 grow beds
 - Estimate of 40 yards of back fill to fill grow beds with dirt
 - A lomilomi/meditative area needs to be cleared and landscaped with plants such as awa, lonomea, puakenikeni, kī and other shrubs to create a semi private area for employees, patients, and classes.
 - Arboring of kukui trees to help shape them in a healthy growing direction allowing light to reach the grow beds
 - Hydroseed areas that need grass after the completion of the cultural garden.
 - Flowering plants gardenias, plumeria, pikake, 'ilima, etc.,
 - Other plants uki'uki, ma'o, a'alii, naio, ohia lehua, akala, maile, etc.