

Date:	June 18, 2024
Subject:	Questions & Answers 2024.06.18
Solicitation:	RFP# PHIEA 23-21 Exchange Assister Services 2025
Due Date/Time:	June 27, 2024 1:00 PM
Addendum Number:	06

To All Suppliers:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania defines a solicitation "Addendum" as an addition to or amendment of the original terms, conditions, specifications, or instructions of a procurement solicitation (e.g., Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposals), including but not limited to questions and answers, which are considered a material part of the solicitation.

Please see the following update:

Addendum 06 does the following:

1. Posts answers to questions posed to the Issuing Officer between June 13, 2024 and June 14, 2024.

Except as clarified and amended by this Addendum, the terms, conditions, specifications, and instructions of the solicitation and any previous Addendum(s), remain as originally written.

Regards,

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1. <u>Question</u> –

I was hoping to find out some information about the Exchange Assister Services 2025 RFP Grant. The organization I work for, I believe could be a good fit as a regional organization for Dauphin County. I'm aware there is a place to express interest in this via a link in the Overview of the Project, but I had hoped to receive a bit more information before expressing any formal interest.

For regional organizations, is there information on the specific expectations of these agencies? Is there funding being offered to these agencies? If so, is there any ballpark of how much?

Thank you for any information you can provide.

<u>Answer</u> –

This is not a Grant. As indicated in PART I, GENERAL INFORMATION, SECTION I-3 OVERVIEW OF PROJECT, this procurement is a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking a "Lead Contractor who will subcontract and manage a network of no less than five and no more than eight Regional Organizations". The Contract and its Purchase Order with Notice to Proceed are expected to be issued by June 1, 2025.

The only information available for this Procurement is included in the RFP. Completing and submitting the Pennie Partner Survey Form, which as you are aware includes a link located in the second to last paragraph of the above noted Section, is how your information would be shared with the Lead Contractor by Pennie once the Contract has been awarded.

2. <u>Question</u> –

I am reaching out on behalf of [our organization], regarding the Exchange Assister Services 2025 RFP.

We would like to request a two-week extension to the 6/27 due date, given that the date answers to questions will be posted is two days before the due date. Potential Offerors will need time to evaluate the impact of the answers on their proposals; and update them accordingly. Thank you for your consideration.

Answer –

No extensions will be granted. Our intent is to get responses to eMarketplace as soon as possible once they are received. Questions received on June 20th (the final day question will be accepted) will be answered by June 25th at the latest.

It is expected that Offerors will submit their questions as early as possible, so they have the time to receive responses and submit their Offers by the deadline of Jun 27, 2024 1:00 PM EDT.