



## Request for Qualifications

### Veterinary Services for Lewis County Animal Shelter

Lewis County Public Health & Social Services (LCPHSS) is seeking a qualified veterinarian to provide clinical consultation and services for the Lewis County Animal Shelter (LCAS) located at 560 Centralia Alpha Road in Chehalis.

Qualifying applicants will be or employ a veterinarian licensed in the State of Washington, able to regularly travel in person to the shelter site, and available for animal care related calls.

#### **Description of Solicited Services**

1. Provide on-site examinations at least once per week to evaluate health concerns identified by LCAS staff.
2. Provide same-day telephone consultation to provide clinical direction.
3. Provide timely, same-day examinations, testing, and care on site or at a veterinary clinic to address issues such as suspected ringworm, feline panleukopenia, or canine parvovirus infections as well as for emergent situations when an animal is wounded.
4. Serve as the veterinarian of record so that LCAS can purchase, store, and administer euthanasia medication.

Additionally Lewis County is interested in reviewing proposals that include a guarantee of 25 spay surgeries per month. While this service is not a necessary component of an application, it may strengthen the proposal, depending on the feasibility of pursuing this service through a contracted veterinarian.

### **Application Process**

Applications can be submitted to LCPHSS at any time by sending them electronically to: [John.Abplanalp@LewisCountyWA.gov](mailto:John.Abplanalp@LewisCountyWA.gov)

To be considered, applicants must provide the following information:

1. The name and contact information of the organization
2. The name and contact information of the organization's signature authority
3. A copy of the organization's business license
4. A copy of the current veterinarian license
5. A copy of the organization's insurance certificate
6. A list of veterinary services the organization offers

### **Evaluation Procedure**

All applications received will be evaluated by LCPHSS for the applicant's ability to meet the qualifications listed above. Initial review of submitted applications will be conducted on December 15, 2021.

LCPHSS reserves the right to consider an applicant's performance related to any previous contracts that the applicant may have held, including contacting previous contracting and funding entities.

Based upon the content of the application(s), the applicant interview(s), and the evaluation of other available information, LCPHSS will review each application received. LCPHSS management will approve applicant(s) to the Lewis County Qualified Provider List. LCPHSS reserves the right to reject any application for cause.

### **Cancellation of RFQ**

The County reserves the right to cancel or modify the RFQ at any time if doing so would be in the public interest as determined by the County. In no event shall the County have any liability for the cancellation of the solicitation.

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