FAQs

What is the USC Village? The USC Village is the flagship residential community for USC undergraduates, combining academic, student housing, recreational, and retail space to create a fully integrated living and learning community. Adjacent to USC’s University Park campus (directly across Jefferson Boulevard to the north), USC Village will provide a unique learning environment for undergraduate students – a place that will inspire creativity, collaboration, and community among peers.

USC Village construction opportunities include living space for 2,700 undergraduate and graduate students in five-story residence halls, a large grocery store, a drugstore, a fitness center, restaurants and other shops. Estimated cost is $450-million and target completion date is fall 2017. For more information, log on to http://village.usc.edu.

How does an S/M/W/DVBE construction firm learn more about bidding opportunities for the USC Village? Interested firms should contact the following:

Steve Wesson
USC Village Ombudsman
Civic Engagement
University of Southern California
2801 South Hoover Street
Los Angeles, CA 90089-7740
(213)743-4510 phone swesson@usc.edu email

Are there Local Hiring Requirements? This project will comply with established Local Hiring Provisions that require all Trade Contractors to meet the following targeted hiring:

• 30% of all total project work hours to be by Local Residents
• 10% of all total project work hours to be by Disadvantaged Workers
• 20% of total work hours to be performed by apprentices with 20% of apprentice hours to come from Local Residences.

Does the USC Village have a Continuity of Work Agreement Requirements? This project will comply with the project Continuity of Work Agreement dated September 16, 2014. This would require all Trade Contractors to meet the following requirements:

• Sign Letter of Assent to agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the Continuity of Work Agreement.
• If not already a union Trade Contractor, become party to the current applicable Master Labor Agreement(s) with the Union(s) representing the employees of the Trade Contractor.
What are the S/M/W/DVBE Participation Goals? USC has established that goals for contracts and subcontracts awarded during construction of the USC Village be awarded as follows: *These percentages shall be based upon the aggregate sum of all contracts to be awarded.*

- Small Businesses (SBE) 25%
- Minority Businesses (MBE) 20%
- Women Businesses (WBE) 5%
- Disabled Veteran Businesses (DVBE) 3%

All S/M/W/DVBE subcontractors and suppliers desiring to be counted towards the established goals **MUST** have verifiable certification from at least one of the following agencies:

- State of California
- WBEC – West
- City of Los Angeles
- Southern California Minority Business Development Council

What are 2nd Tier Subcontractor Requirements? All subcontractors must meet business requirements prior to bidding this project. Subcontractors must meet the project requirements for Union Labor, Bonding, Safety Record, Insurance, Experience, Resources and Financials. See each Major Subcontractor for specifics and submission instructions.

Additional Resources? For additional information regarding resources available to certified firms seeking assistance in bonding, financing and insurance; and to submit your firm’s prequalification form and Invitation to Bid response documents, please contact to Pam Penn at pamela.penn@pdaconsultinggroup.com.

Hathaway Dinwiddie and Major Subcontractors are committed to and encourages the participation of S/M/W/DVBE firms on the USC Village project.