EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER REGION 19 ALLIED STATES COOPERATIVE
RFP AWARD SUMMARY

RFP TITLE:	Transportation Services – ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative
RFP NUMBER:	24-7482
RFP OPENING DATE:	February 6, 2024
CONTRACT TERM:	Date of award until February 28, 2025, with 4 annual extension options. **(Extended by Region 19 until February 28, 2026)** **(Extended by Region 19 until February 28, 2027)** **(Extended by Region 19 until February 29, 2028)**
FUNDING SOURCE:	Various
RFP's ISSUED:	348
RESPONSES:	8
ADVERTISEMENT DATES:	El Paso Times – January 8, 2024 & January 15, 2024
RECOMMENDED FOR AWARD:	~~**All Aboard America! (Industrial Bus Lines Inc.)**~~ *updated 11/11/2026 ~~**Freedom Charters and Tours, LLC**~~ *updated 2/22/2024 **HopSkipDrive, Inc.**
TOTAL (estimated)	**$2,000,000/year**

EXPLANATIONS:

Award of this solicitation will enable ESC Region 19 - Allied States Cooperative (ASC) to establish a contract with vendor(s) for Transportation Services for those procurements made with federal, state or local funds. Evaluation and award recommendation were based on 70% pricing and 30% references. Border International Trucks (RJ Border International), Mission Chevrolet, and Renegade Tire Supply (Denny Gracia) submitted a proposal however were not considered; vendors do not meet the scope of work. Uber Technologies, Inc. and Via Transportation, Inc. submitted a proposal however were not considered; vendors do not meet the scope of work and vendors' proposed deviations were not acceptable. Freedom Charters and Tours, LLC was removed from award for failure to submit insurance as per the bid requirements. All Aboard America! (Industrial Bus Lines Inc.) was removed from award for failure to submit insurance as per the bid requirements. The awarded vendors pricing and information can be found on the Award Detail spreadsheet.

SPECIFICATIONS, PREPARATION AND EVALUATION PROVIDED BY:

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Special Conditions

1. Vendors awarded this contract will be utilized on an as-needed basis.
2. Vendors must attach their pricelist to include all applicable fees (rate per hour, per day, per mile, per deadhead mile, overnight fees, additional driver fees, cancellation fees, fuel surcharge fees, etc.)
3. All necessary and required transportation permits must be current and active and available upon request.
4. The company must be authorized to conduct business in the State(s) it is providing services.

5. All potential bid suppliers are required to be knowledgeable about all aspects of the laws governing motor coaches, school-type buses, and any vehicles used in providing these services.
6. Vendor(s) must provide a listing of their fleet size. List to include the age of the vehicle (s), size of vehicle (s), handicap access features, storage capabilities, onboard safety equipment (first aid kits, fire extinguisher, etc.)
7. Prior to start of contract performance, the vendor shall advise the ASC member, in writing, of the primary and alternate representative (including phone number and email address) who will have management and operational responsibility for the contract performance requirements.
8. Vehicles/Charter Buses must have air-conditioning and restroom facilities, as applicable.
9. Maintenance and cleaning records for each vehicle must be kept current and available for inspection by the ASC member requiring services.
10. It is the responsibility of the Vendor to ensure that the vehicle(s):
    a. Are in safe, clean, and in good running condition.
    b. Conform to proper standards of the industry.
    c. Meet all Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards.
    d. Have current and valid State Inspection Sticker and current/valid State and/or Federal Tax stickers as required for both intrastate and interstate travel.
    e. Have a current and valid License Plate.
    f. In the event of a vehicle breakdown or accident, the vendor/carrier is responsible for all costs incurred for towing of vehicle and repair of vehicle, both parts and labor.
    g. Have vehicles that are ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant.
11. Drivers:
    a. Must be certified, licensed, and trained to perform the necessary services. No Driver/Operator shall drive a vehicle without meeting all state requirements for the vehicle that will be used to provide the services. All drivers must be able to provide proof of compliance, upon request.
    b. Must carry proper personal identification and must have a valid driver's license.
    c. Must wear appropriate attire with operator/driver name plainly visible.
    d. Must have a background check (performed and paid for by vendor).
    e. Must meet federal and state laws regarding hours of service and required periods of rest.
    f. Must be trained and versed in appropriate safety procedures.
    g. Must not engage in any activities that may distract the driver from driving / operating the vehicle.
    h. Must be drug tested in compliance with any applicable laws, rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction.
    i. Always be in immediate possession of licenses and certificates required to operate the vehicles under this contract.
12. ASC Members may require more than one driver on trips longer than a specified number of hours.
13. ASC Member is not responsible for driver meals.
14. ASC Members may request vendors submit additional written evidence verifying that they meet the minimum requirements described above and as necessary, to perform the services needed.

Approved By:	**Date:**
Dr. Armando Aguirre	**February 14, 2024**
Dr. Armando Aguirre	**November 1, 2024**
Dr. Armando Aguirre	**November 4, 2025**
Dr. Armando Aguirre	**November 2, 2026**