

# Request for Proposal

## Department Information:



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## Project, Scope and the Service Requested

The Blue Island Police Department (BIPD) is requesting proposals from qualified companies to equip the BIPD with body-worn cameras (BWCs), as well as charging stations, batteries, cloud-based storage system, redaction software, and warranties. The system utilized to store video must comply with all requirements of the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the Criminal Justice Information Services regarding data retention. The software should also have the ability to communicate with Motorola P1 Mobile CAD to automatically “tag” videos to incidents. Videos must be able to be downloaded in a common format easily viewed by other agencies or civilians.

The BIPD is requesting that companies submit service agreements that include the initial set-up of the equipment and software, in-service training for personnel (either online or in-person), maintenance and warranties of the products provided, recurring updates of software and hardware as they become available. The agreement should also include a refresh of batteries no earlier than three years, and complete replacement of any malfunctioning hardware within six years of purchase. Qualified companies should be prepared to provide a unit for testing during this process.

## Contact Name and Information

All inquiries related to proposal submissions and bidding may be directed to:

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## **Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives**

The BIPD is seeking to implement a BWC program to foster improved relationships with the community through transparency. The BIPD hopes to build on the existing trust between the Department and the community, while also providing accountability for officers' conduct. The BIPD hopes that the BWC program will also reduce the incidents of officer complaints from citizens, the likelihood of use of force, and potential for civil litigation against officers and the Department. The BWC program will also assist the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in criminal prosecution of offenders.

## **Project Specifications**

- Forty (40) body worn cameras (BWCs);
- BWCs must be able to withstand drops from at least 6 feet and be water resistant;
- Recording and battery time of no less than 12 hours;
- Batteries must be interchangeable, rechargeable and hold a charge for a minimum of 12 hours;
- Mounting hardware for uniform shirts, outer ballistic vest carriers or molle straps must be provided for all sworn law enforcement officers of the BIPD;
  - Type and quantity of mounting hardware will be determined after execution of an agreement and subject to change based on department needs;
- BWCs must be equipped with pre-event recording, wind-filtering technology and a wide range of view comparable to the human eye;
- BWCs must have the ability to off-load data either through WIFI, Bluetooth or LTE;
- BWCs must have an activation switch that is large enough for officers to manipulate during periods of high stress and when fine motor skills are reduced;
- Cloud based storage system that allows for video to be offloaded to various media for viewing in a common media file;
- Redaction software capable of redacting faces, registrations and MDT screens;
- Complete refresh of batteries, no earlier than 36 months after delivery of BWCs;

## **Anticipated Benchmarks**

RFP Issued:	August 24, 2022
Proposal Due:	September 24, 2022
Decision Date:	October 1, 2022
Implementation:	November 1, 2022

### **Specifications for Contractor**

Qualified companies shall submit with proposals any and all relevant business licenses, certifications, recognitions or awards related to business operations and work related to the law enforcement profession.

Also along with the proposal, the company shall provide certificate of liability insurance for its products and employees (in the event that the company's employees are on BIPD or City of Blue Island premises).

### **Required Number of References**

The BIPD is requesting a minimum of three (3) recent, and relevant references for each company that submits a proposal. References will also be required for any independent contractors hired by the company to complete any portion of work, if applicable. All references should be law enforcement agencies from suburban Cook County, if possible.

### **Other Information**

Qualified companies may only submit one proposal for this RFP. Companies shall also provide a company biography in the proposal, indicating, at a minimum, how long the business has been in operation, how long the business has worked with law enforcement agencies, how long the business has developed the products specified in the RFP, and disclosure of any pending or recent litigation regarding the products specified in the proposal.

All company employees or independent contractors are subject to a criminal background investigation to gain access to BIPD facilities or infrastructure. Failure to address items outlined in the project specifications or furnish mandatory material will result in the qualified company not being considered for the project.

### **Contract Penalty Clause and Payment Schedules**

The BIPD is seeking a contracted service agreement and payment plan of approximately 5 years. Annual payments will be scheduled in accordance with the execution of the agreement and remain consistent through the term of the agreement. The BIPD retains the right to terminate the agreement and subsequent payments, with cause. Any unnecessary delay in services, failure to complete agreed upon services and falsification of information on part of the company may result in termination of the agreement. The aforementioned list is not all-inclusive and finalized terms will be agreed upon between the City and qualified company.