



Request for Proposals #2023-15

COMMON/SHARED USE PASSENGER PROCESSING SYSTEM

Syracuse Regional Airport Authority Syracuse, NY

ISSUED DATE: 7/16/23

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PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The Syracuse Regional Airport Authority (“SRAA”) through this Request for Proposal (“RFP”) invites written proposals from qualified Vendors (“Vendors”) to provide a **Common Use Passenger Processing and Airport Operations System** at the Syracuse Hancock International Airport.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

- A. Vendors shall electronically submit their proposal. Proposals must include Vendor’s name, address, phone, and primary contact name. Proposals must be e-mailed to the following email address:

bids@syraairport.org

- B. All proposals must be e-mailed by **2:00 p.m. EST, August 4, 2023**. Requests for extension of time to submit will not be granted. Late proposals will be rejected. Proposals sent via fax will not be accepted.
- C. The opening and reading of a proposal does not constitute SRAA's acceptance of the Vendor as a responsive and responsible Proposer.
- D. It is the sole responsibility of the Vendor to ensure that the proposal arrives on time and bears the handwritten signature of an official duly authorized to sign all three copies. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact must be clearly identified.
- E. Any questions about the RFP should be emailed to bids@syraairport.org. Subject line of the email must be “Common Use Platform RFP Question” It is the sender’s responsibility to ensure all emails were received and acknowledged by the Airport. If any emails are not acknowledged by the Airport by the next business day, the sender will be advised the email/questions were not received. Questions received after the deadline date will not be answered.
- F. Other than with written consent from the Point of Contact, all Proposers, including any persons affiliated with or in any way related to a Proposer, are strictly prohibited from contacting any Commissioners or any District personnel on any matter having to do in any aspect with this RFP after RFP issued date. Any other contact with such persons associated with SRAA shall be made only through and in coordination with the Point of Contact and must be made in writing. Prohibitive or inappropriate contacts made by Proposer may result in the disqualification of the Proposer. This requirement will be strictly enforced.
- G. SRAA may elect to issue addenda to this RFP. All addenda will be posted on the SRAA website at the following URL:

<https://syraairport.org/sraa/bids-rfp-rfq/>

It is the responsibility of the Proposer to view, obtain or download all addenda issued by SRAA for this RFP. The Proposer shall acknowledge all issued addenda on the Acknowledgement of Addendum Form. Submission of a proposal establishes a conclusive presumption that the Vendor is thoroughly familiar with the Request for Proposal (RFP) and that the Vendor understands and agrees to abide by all of the stipulations and requirements contained therein.

- H. All costs incurred in the preparation and presentation of the proposal is the Vendor's sole responsibility; no costs will be reimbursed to any Proposer.
- I. All documentation submitted with the proposal will become the property of SRAA

- J. Proposals are to be submitted as outlined below:
1. System Design and Functionality
 2. Proposer Questionnaire
 3. References
 4. Proof of Insurance Coverage
 5. Certification
 6. Project Cost Detail
- K. SRAA reserves the right to cancel any or all solicitations, in whole or in part, as well as reject any or all proposals, or to accept or reject any proposal in part, and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in proposals received if it is determined by the Executive Director or his designee that the best interest of SRAA will be served by so doing. If the solicitation is cancelled or all proposals are rejected by SRAA, a notice will be posted on SRAA website as identified for the posting of addenda. A proposal will not be considered from any person, firm or corporation that is in arrears or in default to SRAA on any contract, debt, or other obligation, or if the Proposer is debarred by SRAA from consideration for a contract award.
- L. Proposals are subject to public disclosure after the final ranking in accordance with state law. All information contained in any submitted bid, request for proposal, or request for qualifications document to SRAA will be available for public review upon Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. All Vendors are hereby advised that any information that they may consider to be confidential or proprietary and would give a competitive advantage if disclosed, should be identified, along with a statement as to whether or not a claim of confidential or proprietary privilege is being asserted. If such information is later sought by a FOIA request, the Vendor will be allowed to justify its claim of privilege and SRAA will assess the validity of said claim in advance of any release.
- M. In the event a contract is entered into pursuant to this RFP, the Vendor shall not discriminate against any qualified employee or qualified applicant for employment because of race, sex, color, creed, national origin or ancestry. The Vendor must include in any and all subcontracts a provision similar to the above.
- N. Any ambiguity in any proposal as a result of omission, error, lack of clarity or non-clarity by the Vendor with this RFP, instructions, and all conditions of the submission shall be interpreted in the light most favorable to SRAA.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. SRAA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or to award the contract to the next most qualified Vendor if the selected Vendor does not execute a contract within fourteen (14) days after the award of the proposal.
- B. SRAA reserves the right to request any supplementary information it deems necessary to evaluate the Vendor's experience, qualifications, or to clarify or substantiate any information contained in the Vendor's submittal.
- C. Any proposal submitted will constitute an irrevocable offer, for a period of ninety (90) days, to sell to SRAA the services set forth in the enclosed Scope of Work and Specifications.
- D. If, through any cause, the Vendor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner the obligations agreed to, SRAA shall have the right to terminate its contract by specifying the date of termination in a written notice to the Vendor at least thirty (30) days before the termination date. In this event, the Vendor shall be entitled to just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed.
- E. Any agreement or contract resulting from the acceptance of a proposal shall be on forms either supplied by or approved by SRAA and shall contain, at a minimum, applicable provisions of the RFP. SRAA reserves the right to reject any agreement that does not conform to the RFP and to any District requirements for agreements and contracts.
- F. The Vendor shall not assign any interest in the contract and shall not transfer any interest in the same without prior written consent of SRAA.
- G. No reports, information, or data given to or prepared by the Vendor under the contract shall be made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval from SRAA.
- H. The Vendor is responsible for any damage caused by their employees and/or equipment to any SRAA property (structures, equipment, fixtures, etc.) and shall replace any damaged piece of property at no cost to SRAA.
- I. Insurance Requirements: The selected Vendor shall carry and keep in force a comprehensive general liability and employer liability insurance by an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of New York with limits of liability as follows:

Employer Liability	\$1,000,000
Comprehensive General Liability	
Bodily Injury	\$1,000,000 each occurrence, and \$2,000,000 aggregate
Property Damage	\$1,000,000 each occurrence, and \$2,000,000 aggregate

The selected Vendor shall furnish certificates of professional liability insurance satisfactory to SRAA as to contents and carriers. Upon execution of a contract, the selected Vendor shall furnish to SRAA a good and sufficient Certificate of Insurance by said insurance company, and an Owner's Protective Liability Policy naming the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority as named insured. Both policies shall contain the stipulation and agreement that the insurance provided by said policies is continually in full force and effect and is not subject to cancellation or modification in full or in part without thirty (30) days advance written notice to SRAA.

- J. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance: The Vendor shall maintain workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance in the amounts and form required by the laws of the State of New York. The Vendor shall furnish a certification of said insurance to SRAA certifying that SRAA will be given thirty (30) days written notice of non-renewal, cancellation or other material change.

QUALIFICATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS

Proposals will be considered only from responsible individuals, co-partnerships, corporations, or other private organizations demonstrating that they have the ability to maintain a staff of regular employees adequate to ensure continuous performance of the work. Labor relations measured by standards of compensation, promptness in meeting obligations, and frequency of personnel changes, among other things, will be considered in determining whether a proposer has an established operating organization.

The Vendor shall have previously designed, installed, tested, and deployed a SUPPS/CUPPS system of the same design and complexity as proposed for SRAA for a minimum of six (6) airports in the US that are of similar size and complexity of SRAA. SUPPS/CUPPS shall have been fully operational at each of these airports a period of no less than three (3) years from the issued date of this RFP. The Vendor shall provide references for at least three (3) of the airports.

The Vendor shall have an on-going maintenance and support center located in North America. Subsequent to commissioning, the Vendor shall provide ongoing technical support from a facility located in North America. The Vendor's Project Manager assigned to this Contract shall have over five (5) years of experience performing all project management aspects of a shared use/common use system deployment. The Project Manager cannot be replaced on this project without written approval from the Owner.

The Vendor will supply only new equipment, parts and material currently manufactured at the time of submittal and operated only for testing as part of installation procedure. Equipment and hardware models shall have been utilized in other systems of same configuration as the SRAA proposal. The Vendor shall provide the most current version of software and hardware platform available at the time of award of this Contract.

The proposer must also have the applicable licenses and certifications to perform all services in this RFP.

SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

Proposal Format:

- a. Proposals shall be evaluated based on the Criteria shown in the RFP Evaluation – Form E.
- b. Proposals shall include detail on system design and functionality. Options for on both hybrid solution and cloud based option should be included.
- c. Proposals shall include pricing for a complete system including 8 ticket counter positions and 9 gate boarding positions. Separate pricing for additional positions should be provided for each position type. All necessary peripherals required by the airlines must be provided. Bag tag printers will support RFID tags.
- d. Proposed pricing should be valid and available for one year.
- e. Proposals shall include maintenance options available and pricing for each year for a total of five years. All licensing should be included if applicable.
- f. Proposals shall include details on warranty provided with purchase.
- g. Proposals shall include any exclusions on work to be completed as part of the installation.
- h. Proposal shall include a detailed pricing structure on all components needed.

Proposal Evaluation:

- i. The proposals shall be evaluated on the RFP Criteria – Form E.

- j. The Airport will evaluate the total system functionality including ability to integrate in existing SRAA and Airline systems, price, available warranty options, overall system design and past work experience/references.
- k. The Airport will create a Ranking Score from a review of the Proposals based on the RFP Evaluation Criteria.
- l. The Airport shall select the Vendor System that provides the highest value to the Airport.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND REQUIREMENTS

Description:

- The Owner is pursuing the installation of Common Use Passenger Processing and Airport Operational System including ticket counters, gate service areas, operational database and baggage system.
- Proposal shall include description of network infrastructure requirements, hardware descriptions and functionality for all systems included in the proposal.
- Proposal shall include compatibility with known deployed FIDS systems.
- The system must have proven functionality with the eight airlines operating at SYR. A complete list of all airlines that are fully operational on the proposed system should also be included.
- The selected Proposer shall be responsible to ensure that all its systems interface successfully with airlines systems.
- Proposals shall include pricing for a complete system including 8 ticket counter positions and 9 gate boarding positions. Five positions will need to be deployed by November 2023 with the remaining rolled out as gates become available in the next 18 months.
- Airport operational data base and baggage systems deployment is targeted for November 2023 and must be complete no later than February 2024.
- The Vendor shall furnish all materials and equipment necessary to complete the job and provide detailed submittals of all materials and equipment to be used on the project. A visual inspection of the Vendor's equipment may be required.
- The Vendor shall furnish sufficient personnel and equipment to complete the project in a continuous manner once work has begun.
- The Vendor's employees shall be required to wear clean and neat uniforms provided by the Vendor and approved by the Airport.
- Vendor shall also furnish their employees with all the necessary PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) as specified by the Equipment Manufacturer.
- Vendor will be responsible for ensuring that their employee's wear all PPE required for safe operation of equipment.
- Vendor will be responsible for ensuring employees are badged at SYR to fully access all areas of airport required for installation.
- The system shall ensure that the Airport will be able to take advantage of the latest technologies and upgrade features offered at the time of this award.
- The Vendor shall perform the detailed configuration, engineering, installing, and testing for the total common use, operational and baggage systems including the interconnectivity of system components and modules. Vendor shall also perform integration with existing Airport systems, such as FIDS, to ensure full functionality of proposed airport operations database.
- Proposal should provide full description of technical and maintenance process at all levels including Airport administrative responsibilities.
- Vendor must be able to provide 24/7 phone support to the end user.
- Special effort shall be made to minimize the interruption of airline operations and any disruption of passenger service.
- The Airport will provide any cabinetry/counter inserts needed based on the specifications provided by the Vendor.

- The Contractor shall perform the detailed configuration, engineering, installing, testing and training for the total common use, airport operations and baggage system including the interconnectivity of system components and modules.

Airport Configuration Information:

Airlines to be supported should include American, Delta, United, Frontier, JetBlue, Allegiant, Southwest, Breeze and additional domestic airlines to be determined. An additional test company should be setup for trouble shooting equipment.

SRAA is a small hub airport and had 1,345,298 enplanements for the 12 months ending 6/30/2023. There were 40,557 Air Carrier operations and 769 RONs for the same time period. The airport has two concourses with a total of 19 gates with a mix of common use and airline proprietary scheduled. There are two separate baggage claim areas, located on each end of the first floor of the central terminal.

Airport environment:

- VMWare ESXi 6.5 Update 3 (Build 1526549)
- Cisco Firewall ASA 5516x
- 500 MBps Spectrum Internet connection
- FIDS provider is Infax

SPECIFICATIONS

BASE BID

System and Project Management

The Contractor shall provide a base system and all design, configuration, installation and project management that meets all criteria above. The system should be capable of being expanded to accommodate multiple ticketing/gate workstation locations. The base bid should be segregated by Common Use system and the Airport Operations System (including baggage system). Please see cost tables included in the Proposer’s Questionnaire.

Excluded From Bid / Provided By Airport

The Airport will provide the following items:

- Cabinetry/counter inserts needed based on the specifications provided by the Vendor.
- Internet connectivity
- VPN/Remote access.
- VMWare virtual servers.
- Electrical power outlets.
- Telephone communications.
- Microsoft Windows Server and SQL software.

Warranty

Vendor should provide details of proposed warranty, system support and maintenance including any software updates required for the common use and airport operational systems for each of the five years included in the

proposal.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

Shared/Common Use Self Service Kiosk

Vendor should provide pricing for passenger self-service kiosk supporting all Syracuse Regional Airport Authority's serving airlines.

END OF SCOPE OF WORK AND SPECIFICATIONS

PROPOSERS QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Furnish the Company name, principal address, and phone number:

2. How many years of experience has your organization had with related work to this RFP?

3. How many employees does your organization have?

4. What are the project payment requirements?

5. Does the Vendor have or can they obtain the insurance coverage for this project as described in the "Terms and Conditions" section of the RFP?

Yes No

6. In the last five years has any insurance carrier, for any form of insurance, refused to renew the insurance policy for the Vendor?

Yes No

If "yes," give name, the insurance carrier, the form of insurance and the year of the refusal.

7. At the time of submitting this Questionnaire, is the Vendor ineligible to bid on or be awarded a public contract in the state of New York?

Yes No

8. Has the federal OSHA cited and assessed penalties against the Vendor Firm in the past five years?

Yes No

NOTE: If you have filed an appeal of a citation, and the Occupational Safety and Health Appeals Board has not yet ruled on your appeal, you need not include information about it.

If "yes," provide a brief explanation of the citation. Use additional sheets if necessary.

9. Pricing Information – Common Use

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Installation Costs					
Equipment Cost					
Licensing					
Maintenance agreement					
Other					
Total Costs					

Additional gate podium positions – cost each _____

Additional ticket counter positions – cost each _____

Self Ticketing/baggage kiosks _____

10. Pricing Information – Airport Operations System (AODB & baggage

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Installation Costs					
Equipment Cost					
Licensing					
Maintenance agreement					
Other					
Total Costs					

REFERENCES

References: Please provide three (3) current airport customers references that have currently working systems or the same configuration and version in this proposal installed.

1. Airport: _____

Contact Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

2. Airport: _____

Contact Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

3. Airport: _____

Contact Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

PROOF OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

Proposer shall provide SRAA with satisfactory evidence of the Proposer's Professional Liability Insurance from a company satisfactory to SRAA and licensed to transact business in the State of New York. Proposer shall submit this form with its proposal.

INSURER:

COMPANY NAME: _____

COMPANY ADDRESS: _____

CONTACT NAME AND PHONE: _____

Proposer is required to submit a letter or certificate from the Company providing insurance certifying that the Vendor has professional liability insurance in accordance with the terms set forth in this RFP.

RFP EVALUATION CRITERIA

FORM E

The following categories will be used to grade responses:

Overall System Design, Functionality and integration capabilities.	60%
Warranty	10%
References	10%
System Cost	20%