

## INVITATION TO BID

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF BALDWIN

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the County Commission of Baldwin County, Alabama will receive bids in the Purchasing Office on December 16, 2025, at 1:30 P.M., for the Purchase of Twenty-Six (26) ARC Carrier Vests and Accessories or Equivalent for the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office. Bids will be opened on December 16, 2025, at 2:00 P.M., in the Purchasing Conference Room located in the Annex III Building at 257 Hand Avenue, Bay Minette, Alabama. Bids received after the December 16, 2025, at 1:30 P.M. deadline will not be considered. All times to be determined solely by the clock on the wall of the Purchasing Conference Room. For all purposes and uses herein, a bid and all required paperwork is "received" at the time and date indicated on the Purchasing Office file stamp which shall be impressed on the face of all such documents when and as presented at the Purchasing Office.

### **SEE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS**

This invitation package consists of **TWELVE (12)** pages. Bidders shall verify they have received all pages as indicated. If all pages have not been received, then it is the responsibility of the bidder to contact the Purchasing Director, Wanda Gautney, at (251) 580-2520 phone, (251) 580-2536 fax.

### **GENERAL BID INFORMATION**

**Bidders shall carefully read all parts of the invitation package with its accompanying schedules and attachments, if any. Bidders shall direct all requests for explanation or additional information concerning the meaning or interpretation of the conditions or attached specifications of this invitation shall be referred to Wanda Gautney in writing or e-mail (wgautney@baldwincountyal.gov) in sufficient time for reply before submission date of bids. The Commission cannot and does not guarantee that inquiries sent by mail or e-mail will be received on or before the submission date and time as indicated. It is the responsibility of the bidder to contact the Purchasing Director, Wanda Gautney, at (251) 580-2520 if a reply is not received.**

The use of specific names and numbers in the attached specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or manufacturer but is solely for the purpose of indicating the type, size and quality of materials, product services, or equipment considered best suited for Baldwin County. Contact initiated by a potential bidder with Baldwin County Commissioners will be only as specifically set out in this invitation. Any other contact with a county official initiated by a potential bidder or bidder regarding this bid, **between the date of this invitation to the date of bid award**, shall be deemed and treated as an attempt to improperly influence the bid

award, and may be sufficient grounds for rejection of the bid submitted by the bidder initiating such other contact, at the discretion of the Baldwin County Commission.

### **BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS**

All bidders, to the best of their knowledge and belief, must be in, and remain in compliance with all applicable Federal, Alabama State, County and municipal laws, regulations, resolutions and ordinances. In particular, and without limitation, all bidders must be licensed and permitted in accordance with The Code of Alabama Title 10, concerning corporations doing business within Alabama, Title 34, dealing with licensing for businesses, Title 40, concerning licenses and taxation, unless otherwise exempt. All bidders should be prepared to timely submit to the County non confidential evidence or documentation demonstrating that the fact they are presently licensed and permitted under Alabama law. Such non-confidential evidence or documentation is encouraged to be submitted with the Bid Package.

The bidder expressly acknowledges, to and for the benefit of the Baldwin County Commission, that this Agreement may be funded with **federal grant monies** and, therefore, bidder expressly warrants and agrees that it shall at all times comply with all applicable federal, state, local and municipal laws and regulations. For more information about the Federal regulations visit the website <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-2/subtitle-A/chapter-II/part-200> Code of Federal Regulations.

**All bidders must provide proof of proper certification of authority, and any required registration, to transact business in this State, in order to perform work for the Baldwin County Commission. Bidder's Registration Number shall be provided on the Bid Response Form. The phone number for the Alabama Secretary of State is (334) 242-5324, Corporate Division.**

**All vendors, contractors and grantees are required to comply with the Alabama Immigration Law under Sections 31-13-9 (a) and (b) of the Code of Alabama. Forms and documents will be included with award documents. Information and forms can be found on the Baldwin County Commission's Purchasing website under E-Verify at [www.baldwincountyal.gov](http://www.baldwincountyal.gov). Please complete and submit with your Bid Response the E-Verify package.**

### **PREPARING THE BID**

Bids must be typed or handwritten in ink. A bid submitted in pencil shall not be accepted. The Bid Guarantee and Bid Response Form must be an original; copies shall not be accepted. All required paperwork must be received in the sealed Bid Package.

The attached specifications are intended and provided solely as a general and no exhaustive expression of the intent and purpose of Baldwin County regarding this bid; said specifications shall be so considered by the bidders. Accordingly, the bidder admits and agrees that said specifications are not complete in every detail and that the work and materials not

indicated or expressly mentioned in said specifications, but which are reasonably necessary for the full and faithful performance of the item(s) bid in accordance with the full and faithful intent, will be included in the bid and incorporated in the work by the bidder and at the bidder's sole expense, the same as if indicated and specified.

The Bidders shall list on a separate sheet of paper any variations from, or exceptions to, the conditions and specifications of this bid. The exceptions shall be labeled "**EXCEPTION(S) TO BID CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS,**" and shall be attached to the front of the bid. Variations shall be treated likewise, i.e., shall be labeled "**VARIATION(S) TO BID CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS,**" and shall be attached to the front of the bid.

### **SUBMITTING THE BID**

In the event that a bidder is financing the product(s) through another agency other than itself, the financing agency must sign the Bid Response Form along with the bidder. A copy of the financing agreement and all conditions must be included with the Bid Response Form. The bidder and the financing agency will be held to, and they agree to be bound by the requirements stated in the Invitation to Bid. Any assignment of the financing agreement must be approved by the financing agency and the County Commission. Failure to disclose the financing information and all conditions will disqualify the bidder.

Bidders who return a **NO BID** statement shall write on the outside of the envelope, the **Bid Number (i.e., WG26-11) with "NO BID"** written underneath. The envelope will not be opened in public, but it will be noted that the bidder did respond.

Bids may be hand delivered at any time prior to the bid opening date and time to the Baldwin County Purchasing Office, Annex III Building, 257 Hand Avenue, ATTN.: Wanda Gautney, (**mailing address**) 312 Courthouse Square-Suite 15, Bay Minette, Alabama 36507. The Commission cannot and does not guarantee that bids sent by mail or courier will be received on or before the bid opening day and time as indicated. Bids received after the deadline shall not be accepted and shall be returned to the bidder unopened.

All bids received must be in a sealed envelope plainly marked, "**WG26-11 Purchase of Twenty-Six (26) ARC Carrier Vests and Accessories or Equivalent for the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office.**" Bids submitted by Express/Overnight" services must be in a separate inner envelope/package sealed and identified as stated in the previous sentence. Bidders and any other interested individuals are invited to attend the bid opening.

### **BID AWARD**

All factors stated in this invitation package will be evaluated in determining the successful bidder. Any omission(s) of the herein stated requirements may be cause for rejection of the bid(s) submitted, solely as determined by the Baldwin County Commission. The County Commission reserves the right to evaluate bids for correctness and completeness, and to award the bid at any time within thirty (30) days following the bid opening. The Baldwin County

Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any defects in the formality in bids, and to accept in whole or in part, such bid or bids, solely at its discretion.

Done this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025.



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ROGER H. RENDLEMAN, County Administrator  
Baldwin County Commission

**Bid #WG26-11 Specifications**

These specifications shall be construed as minimum. Should manufacturer's published data or specifications exceed these, such standards shall be considered minimum and furnished. All integral parts not specifically mentioned in the scope of these specifications that are necessary to provide a complete working unit shall be furnished.

Bidder shall give a unit price as indicated on the Bid Response Form. The price shall include all applicable charges, to include but not limited to delivery, etc.

**The use of specific names and numbers in the specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or manufacturer's but is solely for the purpose of indicating the type, size and quality of equipment considered best adapted to Baldwin County.**

**AWARD**

Award will be to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications. It is not the policy of the Baldwin County Commission to purchase on the basis of low bid only. Quality, conformity with specifications, purchase for which required, terms of delivery, finance package, resale value of equipment, and fast service and experience are among the factors that will be considered in determining the responsive bidder.

**BID RESPONSE FORM**

Each supplier should use the Response Form provided for their bid. **Exceptions are to be attached to the back of the Response Form.**

**DELIVERY**

Delivery shall be as soon as possible but not more than **NINETY (90) days** after receipt of order from the Baldwin County Commission. **Delivery location shall be the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office located at 320 N. Hoyle Avenue, Bay Minette, Alabama 36507.** A Purchase Order will be issued for the equipment listed.

**Specifications for Twenty-Six (26) ARC Carrier Vests and Accessories or Equivalent**

**[1-01-01-03] ARC Carrier V2 - Base / Ranger Green / Small/Medium**

**Complete Kit Includes:** Front & Rear Plate Bags, Shoulder Straps, Shoulder Pads & StratusFit™ Pads

*Please Note:* Cumberbund Size will correspond to ARC Carrier sizing.

**BASE FEATURES:**

**FRONT PLATE BAG:**

- First Spear™ Tube and Metal Oval Ring Hardware on Each Shoulder
- Adjustable Plate Bag via the 'Spider System'
- Adjustable 1.5" Shoulder Straps for Angle of Departure
- StratusFit™ Pads Internal Molded Foam & Inner Soft Loop Lining (both bags)
- Front Chest Velcro® Loop Field for ID
- MOLLE/PALS for Chest Mounted Pouches / EUDs

- Velcro® Loop Field for Industry Standard Placards
- Bottom Flap w/ MOLLE/PALS
- PTT Retention Holes
- Top Flap Slits for Routing Cables & More

***REAR PLATE BAG:***

- Adjustable Plate Bag via the 'Spider System'
- 6 Columns & 6 Rows of MOLLE/PALS for Pouches & Back Panels
- Accepts Shock Cord & Velcro® Cumberbunds
- StratusFit™ Pads Internal Molded Foam & Inner Soft Loop Lining (both bags)
- Adjustable 2" Shoulder Straps w/Variou After Market Hardware Options
- Rear Velcro® Loop Field for ID Patches
- Top Flap Slits for Routing Cables & More

***SHOULDER STRAPS:***

- Dual End Adjustments for perfect fitment
- Plate Carrier Pack 1" Buckle Attachment Points

***ARC SHOULDER PADS:***

- Close Cell Foam & Spacer Mesh Padding
  - Spacer Mesh Neck Line Padding
  - OneWrap Velcro Strap Anchors & Cable Management
- Weight: 1 lbs 12 oz [Plate Bags, Pontoons, Pads & Straps]

**SIZING:**

Sizing of the carrier is based on your issued plate size:

Small/Medium will hold Small & Medium SAPI Plates and similar sized Shooter Cut Plates. Soft Armor can also be inserted if it is the same shape and size.

Large/Extra Large will hold Large & Extra Large SAPI Plates and similar sized Shooter Cut Plates. Soft Armor can also be inserted if it is the same shape and size.

**[1-02-02-03] ARC Cumberbund V2 / Ranger Green/ Large/XL**

**Features:**

- First Spear Tubes™ Quick Disconnect Buckles
- Tegris Thermal Plastic Reinforced
- MOLLE/PALS down entire length including over Tube Buckles
- Soft Loop Velcro Inner Liner
- Compatible with Velcro & Shockcord Plate Carriers
- Two Flaps w/Removable Male First Spear Tubes™
- 2 Lengths of 16" - 1/8" Shockcord Included
- 1 Length of 24" - 1/4" Shockcord Included

**Weight:** 7 Oz [Entire Kit]

**Sizing:**

*Small/Medium* has a *Total Circumference: ~42-47"* with a *Side Length: 16"* from the Inner Edge of the Front Flap to the end of the Cummerbund.

*Large/XL* has a *Total Circumference: ~50-54"* with a *Side Length: 19"* from the Inner Edge of the Front Flap to the end of the Cummerbund.

### **[7-01-01-03] ARC Side Bucket Set/ Ranger Green**

#### **Features:**

- Hook & Loop Internal Accepts Side Plate Caps & other Insert
- Stretch Fabric Construction for Accommodating Items
- Close Cell Foam Liner for Comfort
- MOLLE/PALS & Velcro® Mounting
- Hidden Soft Armor Pocket to accept 5x7", 5x9" & Custom Soft Armor

**Weight: 5 Oz [Set]**

### **[8-02-01-04] ARC Side Bucket Soft Armor IIIA Insert Set**

#### **Features:**

- Level IIIA Protection
- 9.5" x 5" Armor Coverage
- Tailored fit for the *ARC Side Buckets*

#### **Threat Protection Information:**

V50 – 357sig 125gr TMJ (new) 1867 ft/s (569m/s)  
V50 – 357sig 125gr TMJ (conditioned) 1796 ft/s (547m/s)  
P-BFS Avg. – 357sig 125gr TMJ 27.3 mm  
V50 – 44mag 240gr JHP (new) 1661 ft/s (506m/s)  
V50 – 44mag 240gr JHP (conditioned) 1613 ft/s (492m/s)  
P-BFS Avg. – 44mag 240gr JHP 36 mm  
V50 - 2gr RCC 3060 ft/s (932m/s)  
V50 - 4gr RCC 2642 ft/s (805m/s)  
V50 - 16gr RCC 2244 ft/s (684m/s)  
V50 - 17gr FSP (.22cal) 2017 ft/s (615m/s)  
V50 - 64gr RCC 1866 ft/s (569m/s)  
V50 – 9mm 127gr SXT (new) 1754 ft/s (534m/s)  
P-BFS Avg. – 9mm 127gr SXT 24.6 mm  
P-BFS Avg. – 40cal 165gr S+W Sp GDHP 27.2 mm  
P-BFS Avg. – 5.7x28 27gr SS195 17 mm  
P-BFS Avg. – 5.7x28 27gr SS197 19.3 mm

### **[8-03-01-03] ARC UpArmor Upgrade/ Ranger Green**

#### **Features:**

- NIJ Certified Level IIIA Protection
- MOLLE/PALS Mounting on the 'Wings'
- Comfortable Spacer Mesh Inner Liner
- Foam Comfort Insert Installed

**Weight: 4 Lbs 1 Oz a Set**

**Threat Protection Information:**

V50 – 357sig 125gr TMJ (new) 1867 ft/s (569m/s)  
V50 – 357sig 125gr TMJ (conditioned) 1796 ft/s (547m/s)  
P-BFS Avg. – 357sig 125gr TMJ 27.3 mm  
V50 – 44mag 240gr JHP (new) 1661 ft/s (506m/s)  
V50 – 44mag 240gr JHP (conditioned) 1613 ft/s (492m/s)  
P-BFS Avg. – 44mag 240gr JHP 36 mm  
V50 - 2gr RCC 3060 ft/s (932m/s)  
V50 - 4gr RCC 2642 ft/s (805m/s)  
V50 - 16gr RCC 2244 ft/s (684m/s)  
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V50 – 9mm 127gr SXT (new) 1754 ft/s (534m/s)  
P-BFS Avg. – 9mm 127gr SXT 24.6 mm  
P-BFS Avg. – 40cal 165gr S+W Sp GDHP 27.2 mm  
P-BFS Avg. – 5.7x28 27gr SS195 17 mm  
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**[4-07-01-03] Shaw Shank V3 [SSV3] / Ranger Green****Features:**

- Stretch Fabric Body for Wider Range of Items
- Flippable Tegriss Mounting Flap w/Cable Management Lashing Holes
- 3.5" x 5.5" Pouch Pocket
- Loop Velcro Lined Inner
- Padded Foam Backer
- Shockcord Retention Loops
- Included 2 Strips of 2" x 3" Adhesive Hook Velcro & Shockcord w/Pull

**Weight:** 2 Oz [Entire Kit]

**[5-03-01-03] RAID Pouch V3 / Ranger Green****Features:**

- First Spear Tube*<sup>™</sup> Mounting Flap for Quick Connect & Disconnect
- Complete Opening Clamshell Zipper for Full Layout
- 8.5-6" Wide by 5.5" Tall by 2.5" Deep Internal Dimensions
- Capable of Storing a Compact Handgun
- Elastic Tourniquet Sleeve
- Full Velcro® Soft Loop Inner Liner
- Internal Flat Pocket for Added Storage, Armor Inserts & Access to Tube Mounting
- Front Zipper Pocket for Flat Contents & Documents
- Large Front Velcro® Loop ID Patch
- Shockcord Lashing Slots on the Front & Rear Panel for Exterior Storage
- Positive Locking Cord Pulls for Added Grip
- ITW TacToggle Tube Lanyard for Indexing Disconnect
- Velcro® Hook & Loop Tubed Flap for Mounting to Plate Carriers & Chest Rigs

**Weight:** 9 Oz [Entire Kit]

**[8-01-01-04] RAID Pouch V3 Soft Armor IIIA Insert**

**Features:**

- Level IIIA Protection
- 8" Wide at the top, 6" Wide at the bottom and 5" Tall Coverage
- Tailored fit for the *RAID Pouch V3*

**Threat Protection Information:**

V50 – 357sig 125gr TMJ (new) 1867 ft/s (569m/s)  
V50 – 357sig 125gr TMJ (conditioned) 1796 ft/s (547m/s)  
P-BFS Avg. – 357sig 125gr TMJ 27.3 mm  
V50 – 44mag 240gr JHP (new) 1661 ft/s (506m/s)  
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**[1-01-01-03] ARC Carrier V2 – Base / Ranger Green / Small/Medium**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

**[1-02-02-03] ARC Cummerbund V2 / Ranger Green/ Large/XL**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

**[7-01-01-03] ARC Side Bucket Set/ Ranger Green**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

**[8-02-01-04] ARC Side Bucket Soft Armor IIIA Insert Set**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

**[8-03-01-03] ARC UpArmor Upgrade/ Ranger Green**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

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**[4-07-01-03] Shaw Shank V3 [SSV3] / Ranger Green**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

**[5-03-01-03] RAID Pouch V3 / Ranger Green**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

**[8-01-01-04] RAID Pouch V3 Soft Armor IIIA Insert**

Item/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Bid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each x 26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Day(s) / ARO

**Shipping if applicable: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Grand Total for Vests, Accessories and Shipping: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Brochures showing the equipment offered shall be attached to this Response Form.

**All exceptions must be listed and attached to the bid response form.**