## INTRODUCTION & INVITATION TO BID

Saint Joseph's Carpenter Society (SJCS) intends to prequalify licensed and certified general contractors to provide material and labor for home energy efficiency measures, including but not limited to: insulation, air sealing, window installation and insulation, bathroom fan installation, ventilation measures, and other related work for the SJCS Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) BIL and 2023-2024 LIHEAP and DOE programs as described in the 2023 NJ WAP State Plan. SJCS will receive qualification packages to qualify "Insulation and Energy Efficiency Contractors" (pursuant to 10 CRF Part 440) at our corporate office located at 20 Church Street, Camden, NJ 08105. This RFQ can be received via email request to erivera@sjcscamden.org or physically received at our offices any business day on or after February 5th, 2024.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L 1975 C.127. Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) will be offered full opportunity to bid and will not be subject to discrimination on the base of race, color, gender, or national origin in consideration of an award.

SJCS intends to select up to five (5) contractors whose proposals are the most advantageous to SJCS with price and other factors considered to be included in a prequalified pool of contractors to receive and have the ability to bid upon residential energy efficiency and insulation work scopes from SJCS. These pre-qualified contractors will have the ability to bid on all SJCS sponsored weatherization projects within Burlington County. If awarded a bid, the company/firm shall be required to comply with the requirements of NJ S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and NJ A.C. 17:27 et sq. It is anticipated that SJCS will have an estimated thirty (30) weatherization jobs in 2024-2025.

Contractors will be required to pay local prevailing wages via the Davis-Bacon Act if a project includes a multi-family project with 5 units or more and contractors are encouraged to follow "Buy American" provisions as much as possible on each individual job.

SJCS reserves the right to reject any and all proposals when it is determined by SJCS to be in its best interest. SJCS further reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in proposals submitted in response to this RFQ.

Qualifications are due to SJCS on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 10:00 am. Emailed qualifications will not be accepted. Sealed physical qualifications delivered prior to February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024,, will only be accepted. Questions to the RFQ are due by February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, at 12 pm. SJCS will not accept Qualifications or Questions after the times specified for submissions. Any Qualifications or questions received after these times will be deemed invalid. The RFQs will be opened February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 10 am at 20 Church Street, Camden, NJ 08105.