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(Continued from Page 13) Human Services are children

About 731 children under state control are waiting for adoption, all have been traumatized during their critical development years and most need educational, medical or psychological help in order to mellow into maturity. And a significant number of these children have already had three or more out-of-home placements, such as foster

Minnesota Human Services Department notes that children of color were over represented in the out-ofhome placement system compared to the number of children of color in the general population. The 2000 U.S. Census data indicates that 26.2 percent of the 4,972,294 Minnesota head count are persons under 18-years-old.

White persons represent about 88 percent of the popu-

Between 2001 and 2002, about 343 White children were adopted as compared to 268 adoptions of Black children, but of 343 White children, 340 (99.13 percent) were given to White parents, while of the 128 African-American kids that changed hands, only 49 percent of the parents were Black and of the 24 Native American kids passed on to adoptive parents, only 11 were given to same-race parents.

Lloyd Nicholas writes for Insight News Group.

Overstreet

(Continued from Page 10) Wendell P. Williams are serving as honorary co-chairs of the LVFC. Legendary performers Gladys Knight and Clint Holmes will be lending their talents to this happen-

For further information about the golf tournament and football classic with associated events, call the UCC at (702) 648-6222

Tell them while operating on C.P. time, you expect to have a seat in the front row. Believe me, the chamber understands how our folks do

Now, back to JoAnn Gregory-Overstreet. Her principal, Beverly Mathis, with the support of board trustee Shirley Barber are hosting a gala on Saturday, Aug. 30 to raise funds needed to purchase a total literacy and math software program for the students of Booker Elementary School. The event will be held at the Treasure Island Hotel. For more information, call (916) 924-3160 or fax inquiries to (916) 920-2284.

BIDS WANTED FOR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

CONTRACT NO. 3169

Sealed proposals will be received by the Director of the Nevada Department of Transportation at the District I Headquarters, 123 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, until and opened at 2:00 p.m., local time, on September 4, 2003 for Contract No.3169, Project No. EB-NH-095-2(040), construction of a portion of the Primary Highway System on US 95 from Martin Luther King Boulevard to Rainbow Boulevard (Utilities for Phases 2C/D and 3), Clark County, a length of .314 kilometers.D.B.E. information shall be submitted no later than the time of opening of proposals as specified above

SPECIFIC DESCRIPTION OF WORK COVERED BY THIS CONTRACT CONSISTS OF: WATERLINE RELOCATIONS.

Plans and specifications may be examined and purchased at the office of the undersigned. Non-bidding documents may also be examined or purchased at the Department of Transportation District Offices in Las Vegas Nevada. Plans, form of proposal, contract and specifications may be secured by prequalified bidders through the office of the undersigned. A fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) is required for the purchase of each copy of the plans with proposal form. Plans, proposal form and specifications obtained on this basis are non-returnable and no refund will be made Bids must be on the proposal form of the Department of Transportation and must be accompanied by a bid bond, a certified check, a cashier's check, or cash in the amount of five percent (5%) of bid. Right is reserved to reject any or all bids, or to accept the bid deemed best for the interest of the State of Nevada

Contractors desiring to bid on this work, if not already qualified under the State Law, shall file with the Department of Transportation at Carson City, Nevada, not later than five (5) days prior to the date for opening of bids, a complete application for qualification on form furnished by the Department.

The minimum wage to be paid on this contract shall be as determined by the Secretary of Labor or the State Labor Commissioner and are set forth in the contract documents.

The attention of bidders is directed to the State Contractor's License Law requirement (NRS 624 as amended to date), that a contractor hold a valid license of a class corresponding to the work to be done. Requests for nse may be directed to the Secretary of the State Contractor's Board, 2310 Corporate Circle #200, Henderson, Nevada 89074.

This is a Federal-aid project and as such, any contractor otherw qualified by the State of Nevada to perform such work, is not required to be licensed nor to submit application for license in advance of submitting a bid or having such bid considered; provided, however, that such exemption does not constitute a waiver of the State's right under its license laws to require a contractor, determined to be a successful bidder, to be licensed to do busine in the State of Nevada in connection with the award of a contract to him.

The State of Nevada Department of Transportation will on its own initiative, take affirmative action, including the imposition of contract sanctions and the initiation of appropriate legal proceedings under any applicable State or Federal law to achieve equal employment opportunity on Federal-aid Highway Projects and will actively cooperate with the Federal Highway Administration in all investigations and enforcement actions undertaken by the Federal Highway Administration. In conjunction with the above statement the Department of Transportation will not issue plans to an irresponsible bidder. Subsection (B) of the section 112 of Title 23 United States Code has been amended by adding at the end thereof, the following: "Contracts for the construction of each project shall be awarded only on the basis of the lowest responsive bid submitted by a bidder meeting established criteria of responsibility

JEFF FONTAINE, P.E., DIRECTOR Department of Transportation Carson City, Nevada 89712

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to of the City of Las Vegas RFQ# NO.Q03141 (C)

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR QUOTES

The Las Vegas Housing Authority (LVHA) is currently soliciting proposals from licensed entities for

SALE OF ITEMS WRITTEN OFF

Michael Peschl Contracts &

All qualified entities are encouraged to submit proposals as outlined following:

Purchasing340 N. 11th Street, Suite LVHA CONTACT #180Las Vegas, NV 89101Telephone PERSON No.: (702) 922-6842 Fax No.: (702) 922-6648 or 6649 On the Internet Only:1. Go to haclv.org.2. Click on the "BIDs/RFPs" DOCUMENT icon on left side.3. Click where shown **AQUISITION AND** ster your company.4. Click on RETURN link for RFQ#Q03141(C) and follow directions to submit your quote. INSPECTION By appointment only, 9:00 a.m. -OF THE 4:00 p.m. Contact Michael Peschl ITEMS FOR SALE QUOTE SUBMITTAL Date: Monday, August 25, 2003 DEADLINE

[Minority- and/or women-owned businesses are encouraged to submit proposals]

Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas.

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS **RFP NO. P03026**

The Las Vegas Housing Authority (LVHA) is currently soliciting proposals from licensed, insured and/or bonded entities for

Senior Companion Services

Only applications submitted in response to this advertisement will be considered. All qualified entities are encouraged to submit proposals as outlined following:

LVHA CONTACT PERSON	Michael Gifford, C.P.M.II Telephone No.: (702) 386-2973
HOW TO OBTAIN THE RFP DOCUMENTS ON THE APPLICABLE INTERNET SITE	Access www.haclv.org. Click on the "BIDS/RFP'S" icon on left side. Click where shown to register your company. Click on link for P03026 and follow directions to download the documents. For problems accessing system or registering, call customer support at (866) 526-9266.
RFP SUBMITTAL RETURN	LVHA Contracts Office 340 N. 11th Street, Suite 180 Las Vegas, NV 89101 *or* Via Facsimile at (702) 922-6648* (Request of RFP documents only; proposal submittals will not be accepted via fax or e-mail)
PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE	Time: 2:00 p.m. Date: Thursday, August 21 2003 Location: Howard Cannon Center Commission Chambers, 340 N. 11th Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101
RFP DOCUMENT PICK-UP DEADLINE	Time: 4:00 p.m.ll Date: Friday, August 22, 2003
PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL DEADLINE	Date: Friday, August 29, 2003 (The proposal submittal must be received in-hand and time-stamped in the LVHA Contracts Office by no later than 4:00 p.m. on this date).

Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS **RFP NO. P03025**

The Las Vegas Housing Authority (LVHA) is currently soliciting proposals from licensed, insured and/or bonded entities for

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Telephone Answering Services

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PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE	Time: 2:00 p.m.Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 Location: Howard Cannon Center Commission Chambers, 340 N. 11th Street,Las Vegas, NV 89101
RFP DOCUMENT PICK-UP DEADLINE	Time: 4:00 p.m.0 Date: Friday, September 12, 2003
PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL DEADLINE	Date: Friday, September 17, 2003 (The proposal submittal must be received in-hand and time-stamped in the LVHA Contracts Office by no later than 4:00 p.m. on this date).

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