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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Acting on behalf of Bishop Amando Samo, the Catholic Vicariate of Pohnpei is accepting proposals for the use of the land and facilities previously occupied by the Ponape Agriculture and Trade School ("PATS").

All interested parties may submit proposals to the Vicariate Office at any time. The Vicariate may request additional information regarding various proposals during the proposal review process.

Background:

Legal title of ownership of PATS resides with the Bishop of the Diocese as Corporation Sole.

The land and facilities under consideration were, until recently, occupied by the Ponape Agriculture and Trade School (PATS). Since 1965, PATS has functioned as an academic and vocational high school. Operations at PATS were discontinued in December 2005. The PATS property available for lease occupies over 2 hectares (21,677 square meters) and includes 9 major buildings including the administration building, library, kitchen/dining room, 2 dorms and a warehouse (easily converted into other classrooms or other facilities), 3 classroom buildings and several other smaller structures. The campus has its own internal sewerage and natural water systems including two 50 foot wells that produce 14 gpm of fresh water that serve the campus and the surrounding community. All buildings on the campus are connected to a 125 KW, 3-phase/208 V diesel back-up generator as well as island power.

General Proposal Criteria:

To be granted consideration by the Vicariate, a proposal should demonstrate the project's direct service to the overall socio-economic development of Micronesia. Proposed projects should fit within the parameters of one or more of the goals outlined below:

- To promote a curricular approach to education which is integrated in Micronesia culture and developmental needs;
- To promote a sense of united community among Micronesians of different districts and an ecumenical spirit among Micronesians of all religious traditions;
- To promote understanding of the process of social change in Micronesia by providing a center for the interchange of ideas concerning socio-economic development in Micronesia and foster integration of traditional values and customs with the necessities of a developing social and economic structure;
- To provide quality training for youth and adults in those areas most urgently needed for the development of Micronesia;
- To provide quality training for Micronesian teachers, particularly in vocational education;

- To promote agricultural production through research, pilot projects, training programs, and other means.

Proposal Format Description:

All proposals must include the following information and documentation:

- I. Name of Proposed Project
- II. Name and contact details of person and organization submitting proposal
- III. Organizational Background Information
- IV. Project justification and objectives including:
 - 1) program rationale;
 - 2) size and general location of PATS property needed,
 - 2) targeted groups;
 - 3) projected numbers of Pohnpeian/Micronesians beneficiaries
- V. Phasing and Duration of Implementation Process including
 - 1) any identified personnel and/or explanation of staffing recruitment process;
 - 2) projected start date

Project Financial Plan:

All proposals must also include a projected financial plan outlining:

- 1) estimated annual expenses;
- 2) estimated annual income;
- 3) income sources (both domestic and international)

Proposal Submission:

All proposals should be submitted to:

Vicariate of Pohnpei-Kosrae
c/o Fr. David Andrus, SJ
P.O. Box 160
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Inquiries regarding the proposal process or requests for arrangements to examine the available facilities should be directed to Fr. Dave Andrus at (691) 320-4661 or dandrus@mail.fm.