

Bright Neighborhoods Request for Proposals (RFP) Questions and Answers

On October 7, 2024, the Illinois Solar for All (ILSFA) Program Administrator released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Approved Vendors to participate in the Bright Neighborhoods initiative for the city of Waukegan and the Carbondale-Marion Micropolitan area. The RFP specified that potential offerors may submit questions or clarification requests about this RFP until 5 p.m. Central Time (CT) on Thursday, October 17, 2024, and that the Program Administrator would publish responses. One entity submitted the following questions regarding the Bright Neighborhoods Request for Proposals. The Program Administrator's responses to each question are included below.

As a reminder, proposals in response to the RFP are due by **Monday, November 4, 2024, at 5 p.m. CT**. For more information about the Bright Neighborhoods RFP, please view the [webinar](#). RFP responses should be submitted as a PDF to bright@illinoisSFA.com.



QUESTION 1

Are designees in the Illinois Shines program eligible to participate as an Approved Vendor for Bright Neighborhoods?

RESPONSE

An Illinois Shines Designee must first be registered as an Approved Vendor through Illinois Shines to participate as an Approved Vendor in Illinois Solar for All and in the Bright Neighborhoods initiative.

QUESTION 2

Do I have to become an approved Vendor or Designee with Illinois Solar for All to participate?

RESPONSE

Yes, an Illinois Shines Designee or Approved Vendor must register with Illinois Solar for All as an Approved Vendor to participate in Bright Neighborhoods. An Illinois Solar for All Designee may participate in Bright Neighborhoods but must work with an Approved Vendor to enter the REC contracts in Bright Neighborhoods projects. Offerors that are not Approved Vendors with Illinois Solar for All at the time they submit their proposal will be expected to register and meet ILSFA requirements should they be selected to provide services in Bright Neighborhoods. The Program Administrator reserves the right to remove any non-ILSFA Approved Vendor from the initiative and select a different Offeror if the selected Offeror does not complete the ILSFA Approved Vendor registration process.

QUESTION 3

How do I become an Approved Vendor or designee for Illinois Solar for All?

RESPONSE

An Offeror can learn more about the ILSFA requirements for being an Approved Vendor or Designee in Section 3 of the [Approved Vendor Manual](#). More information about the vendor registration process can be found on the Illinois Solar for All Vendor Registration page on the ILSFA website. Each selected Offeror, if not already a registered Approved Vendor with ILSFA, must complete the registration process to participate in the initiative.