

Pierce County Library System

**Updates/Q&A for the 2023 Internet & WAN Services
for Hard-Wired and Wi-Fi Populations RFP Revised**

470 # 230003284

12/10/2022

The bidding deadline has been extended for a second time.

The new deadline is 5 p.m. on January 6, 2023.

Q: Regarding the new branch in Lakewood,

- 1) Will you be submitting a separate 470 for this site? If so, when do you plan to do that?
- 2) Why is this not a part of the current RFP?
- 3) When do you need this site up and running by? Will it be this E-rate window or next year?

A: PCLS will be opening a new branch location in Lakewood at some point during the next E-rate program year, but service to this new location is not part of the current RFP for internet access. The library does not expect the new branch to be opened until the 4th quarter of 2023. As noted in the RFP, we will address any additional costs associated with this one branch after a winner has been selected in the current bidding process. Once we have more complete details on the new location, we can work with the selected vendor to either amend their bid or the final contract.

12/6/2022

The Internet and WAN Bid Format spreadsheet has been updated to add columns for 100 Mb and 1 G speeds in the Hard-Wired Computers section. A column has also been added to the Wi-Fi User section for vendors to submit a cost for their equivalent speed offering for 200 Mb service. Although the spreadsheet is locked, it does not have a password and vendors can unlock it themselves (under the Review menu) to make other formatting changes if needed.

Q: Due to the work required and the holiday week in play we are requesting a 2 week extension to the RFP Response Date.

A: We approve the request and have moved the bid submittal due date from November 29, 2022 to December 13, 2022 at 5 p.m. Pacific Time.