



INVITATION FOR BIDS

Two (2) New Weatherization Program Vehicles

AGENCY	Blue Water Community Action	BID DUE	November 11, 2026
PROGRAM	Weatherization	DELIVERY	On or before December 22, 2026

What We Need

Blue Water Community Action (BWCA) is seeking bids for two (2) new, unused vehicles for weatherization field work, staff travel, and transport of diagnostic equipment, tools, and ladders. **Equivalent makes/models are welcome. Two matching vehicles are preferred but not required.**

Item	Minimum Requirement	Status
Quantity	2 new, unused vehicles	Required
Vehicle Type	SUV, minivan, or passenger van	Required
Seating	Minimum 6 adults	Required
Drivetrain	AWD or 4WD	Required
Cargo	Enclosed cargo area with fold/stow seating or other flexible cargo configuration	Required
Ladder Transport	Secure internal transport OR manufacturer-approved rack/system included in bid	Required
Safety	Backup camera and standard manufacturer safety equipment	Required
Warranty	Full manufacturer warranty	Required
Fuel Economy	Provide EPA MPG; hybrid/fuel-efficient models preferred	Evaluated
Service Access	Authorized maintenance/warranty service reasonably accessible to Port Huron, Michigan	Evaluated
Reliability	Strong fleet/commercial reliability preferred	Evaluated
Delivery	Both vehicles available for delivery on or before December 22, 2026	Required

Preferred Characteristics

American-made / U.S.-assembled vehicles are preferred when available. These preferences are not mandatory requirements and are not separately weighted.

Dealer: Include These Items

For each vehicle provide: make/model/trim/year; VIN or stock number if available; firm delivered price; MSRP/window sticker or build sheet if available; EPA MPG; seating and cargo details; ladder transport method; warranty; nearest authorized service location; estimated scheduled maintenance cost for 5 years/60,000 miles if available; earliest delivery date; discounts/credits; and any exceptions to the specifications.

Dealer Bid Form

Pricing / Vehicle Information	Vehicle 1	Vehicle 2
Make / Model / Trim / Year		
VIN or Stock No.		
Unit Bid Price		
Delivery / Dealer Fees		
Discounts / Credits		
Net Delivered Price		
EPA MPG		
Estimated 5-Year / 60,000-Mile Scheduled Maintenance Cost		
Earliest Delivery Date		
Final Assembly Location (if known)		
Authorized Service Location		
Exceptions / Clarifications		

COMBINED TOTAL BID: \$ _____

Submit Your Bid

Due	November 11, 2026
Email	chill@bwcaa.org
Subject	Vehicle Bid - Two New Weatherization Vehicles
Mail / Hand Delivery	Blue Water Community Action Attn: Candice Hill 3403 Lapeer Road Port Huron, MI 48060
Bid Validity	At least 60 days preferred

Anticipated Bid Selection / Award: November 24, 2026. Award and purchase are contingent upon required BWCA approvals and prior written approval from funding sources. Selected vehicle(s) must be delivered on or before December 22, 2026.

Weighted Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Weight
Purchase Price	35%
Estimated Maintenance Costs	20%
Local Maintenance Availability	15%
Cargo Room & Flexibility	15%
Passenger Capacity & Comfort	10%
Winter Drivability	5%

Only bids meeting all required specifications will be scored. Total possible score: 100 points.

Reservation of Rights

BWCA reserves the right to reject any or all bids; waive minor informalities or irregularities when permitted; request clarification or additional information; cancel or reissue the solicitation; and accept the bid or combination of bids determined to be in the best interest of the agency and the funding program. BWCA may award both vehicles to one vendor or purchase each vehicle from separate vendors when the documented evaluation supports that result.

Dealer Certification

By signing below, the bidder certifies that the information submitted is accurate, the vehicle(s) meet the requirements except for clearly disclosed exceptions, and the bid is firm for the stated validity period.

Vendor Legal Name		Authorized Representative	
Title		Phone / Email	
Signature		Date / Bid Valid Through	