

REQUEST FOR QUOTES

Title: Apiary Inspector – Cuyahoga County

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Response Date: No later than 4:30 pm on Friday, February 8, 2019

Return To: Cuyahoga County Board of Health

Attn: Rick Novickis 5550 Venture Drive Parma, Ohio 44130

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Director of Environmental Public Health

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Contract Initiation Date: March 1, 2019

Job Description:

The Applicant should have experience keeping honey bees and be able to recognize honey bee pests and diseases. The person should be professional and courteous and able to keep track of his/her time and inspections. He/she is representing the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, the State of Ohio and the Ohio Beekeeping Industry. He/she should be responsible and respectful of people, the bees and the environment. The applicant should inspect the colonies in each apiary registered in Cuyahoga County and maintain records of the inspections. The law requires that each apiary be registered by June 1. Sometime that season, the inspector will inspect the apiaries and if necessary, make recommendations to improve the health of the colony(s). The inspections should take place from April 1 to October 31 when the weather and temperature are favorable to open a hive for inspection.

The applicant must have a reliable and properly insured vehicle to travel throughout the County as they conduct apiary inspections. It is very important to continue this inspection program to stop the spread of American foulbrood, other serious diseases and pests that have been found in Ohio.

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Monitoring honey bee health within the state assures that crops and wild plants will be sufficiently pollinated. Fruit, vegetable, agricultural and seed crops depend upon pollination to set fruit.

Compensation:

The Board will pay the Apiary Inspector a sum not to exceed Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) for activities conducted pursuant to Chapter 909 of the Ohio Revised Code conducted between March 1, 2019 and February 28, 2020 (Contract Year 1). The Board will also pay the Apiary Inspector a sum not to exceed Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) for activities conducted pursuant to Chapter 909 of the Ohio Revised Code conducted between March 1, 2020 and February 28, 2021 (Contract Year 2).

Summary:

Anyone interested in contracting with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health (CCBH) as an Apiary Inspector must submit a cover letter and a resume via email or standard mail delivery to the address above. Only those submittals received by the response date and time listed above will be considered. This position is recognized as an Independent Contractor and is not an employee of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health.

Please contact Rick Novickis with any questions related to this posting.