

**Request for Proposals  
for  
Construction Services (General Contractor)  
for  
Phase One of Georgia B. Williams Nursing Home Exterior Rehabilitation Project**

**Emailed Proposals Due: May 18, 2025**

Point of Contact/Questions and Proposals Addressed to:

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Background and Scope:

From 1941 to 1971, Beatrice Borders operated the only known Black-owned birthing center for African American mothers in Georgia out of her home at 176 Dyer Street in Camilla. Built c. 1918, the house was modified many times to accommodate Borders' growing business. The house is individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is owned by the non-profit Georgia B. Williams Nursing Home, Inc. In 2021, the organization commissioned a Preservation Plan (available at [www.beasbabies.org](http://www.beasbabies.org)) and in 2022, the organization received a National Park Service African American Civil Rights grant to perform rehabilitation work.

Stabilization has been performed on the building, with a new floor structure and foundation piers installed in 2022. As part of that work, rear additions were removed. The portions of the house standing today reflect the extent of the current rehabilitation scope/area. Architectural Collaborative, a preservation architecture firm in Athens, has produced rehabilitation drawings in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, per grant requirements (Exhibit A). These drawings, available for review at [www.beasbabies.org](http://www.beasbabies.org), shall serve as the basis for the construction cost estimate.

Construction will be funded by National Park Service grant dollars and must adhere to the drawings provided and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. The building's period of significance ends in 1971. As such, any materials installed, or alterations made to, the building prior to this date are slated for preservation and rehabilitation. It is of the utmost importance that the building's historic material and fabric be salvaged and retained. As such, all of the material remaining on site should be considered historic and treated appropriately.

Contractors with experience completing historic rehabilitation projects according to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and/or grant-funded rehabilitation work shall be given preference.

Format of Response (All Proposals Must Include):

1. Cover Letter (must include earliest date you could start construction)

2. Cost Proposal
3. Key Personnel to be Assigned to Project to include Contractor License #
4. Minimum of 3 Project Examples Highlighting Historic Rehabilitation Experience
5. Minimum of 3 References
6. Timeline for Completion from Permitting to Ribbon Cutting

*Proposals should be submitted as a single combined PDF document email attachment to [gbw@beasbabies.org](mailto:gbw@beasbabies.org) by the end of business on May 18, 2025.*

Scoring:

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| 1. Key personnel, credentials, and qualifications                | 25% |
| 2. Firm's experience with the restoration of historic structures | 25% |
| 3. Past performance and references                               | 25% |
| 4. Cost and ability to meet the scope of the project             | 25% |