

## Great Plates Delivered Program

### Opportunity for Restaurants and Food Providers:

We are excited to announce two opportunities to contract with the County of San Diego to provide meals to older adults and individuals with health conditions and disabilities that make it difficult to prepare or obtain food. These programs are a win-win for the community: they support vulnerable residents and provide an economic boost to local restaurants and food providers during these difficult times. The Great Plates Delivered: Home Meals for Seniors program supports adults 65 and older and adults 60-64 who are at high risk of complications from COVID-19, in staying home and staying healthy by delivering three nutritious meals per day. The program has been operating since May. Recently, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors voted to expand the program and to create a companion program to serve additional participants. Please consider applying for one or both of the following Request for Quotation (RFQ) opportunities:

1) **Great Plates Delivered: Home Meals for Seniors (RFQ 10461)**

The Great Plates Delivered (“Great Plates”) program has been providing three meals per day to qualified older adults over the past three months. Food providers prepare three nutritious meals daily and deliver to residents in one daily delivery between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Meals are served 7 days per week. The program currently runs through September 9, 2020, per the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) current approval. Extensions are contingent on FEMA approval.

Since May, this program has served 2,270 vulnerable adults. Feedback from program participants has been very positive. They are less worried and feel safer during these uncertain times. Some frail seniors have even put on some pounds, helping them reach a healthier weight.

2) **Great Plates 2.0: Dinner Delivered (RFQ 10462)**

Contracted restaurants and food providers will prepare and deliver one nutritious dinner meal per day to qualified older adults and individuals with chronic illnesses/disabilities. Delivery must take place between 12 and 4 p.m. Meals are served 7 days per week. The program runs through December 31, 2020, contingent upon funding and other factors.

Both programs support older adults and those with chronic illnesses/disabilities to stay safely at home during the COVID-19 pandemic. Each program participant is assigned to one food provider for the duration of the program. Restaurants/food providers specify on their application the geographic area within the county they are able to cover.

### **For more information and to apply:**

Interested restaurants, caterers, and food providers may apply for each program separately by filling out a brief questionnaire. Also, you are encouraged to register on the County’s “BuyNet” website to receive updates.

**For additional program details see attachment. Interested providers are encouraged to refer to the Statement of Work for each program on the County of San Diego BuyNet website and apply at:**

**<https://buynet.sdcountry.ca.gov>. The deadline for applications is Monday, August 17 at noon.**