**BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM BID NOTICE**

**Location: 60-Blacksburg Welcome Center**

**Description of Facility**: The Welcome Center vending area is located outside of the main building and includes 3 drink machines, and 2 snack machines.

**Number of prospective patrons**: The volume of customers depends on the number of travelers and the seasons of the year.

**Operating Hours**: The Welcome Center is open from 9am-5pm, however the machines are located outside of the main building and can be accessed after hours. It takes approximately 3 days per week to operate this stand.

**Items to be sold:** Candy, chips, a variety of snacks, pastries, and crackers, and a variety of drinks such as soda, water, and coffee.

**Condition of Facility**: Good

**Projected BLV Gross Proceeds (past 12 months)**: approximately $55,715.00

**Projected BLV Net Proceeds (past 12 months)**: approximately $29,367.00

**Bid Closing Date**: Thursday, December 19, 2024 **(BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE)**

**You must submit the following documents with your application:**

* Verification of current Liability Insurance. If selected for the stand, new or existing Blind Licensed Vendors NOT currently in a stand will be given five (5) business days to obtain liability insurance.
* Verification of ServSafe Certification (if required for the stand).
	+ A Blind Licensed Vendor may apply for the stand even if they do not currently have ServSafe Certification. If selected for the stand, they will be given thirty (30) days to acquire ServSafe Certification if required for the stand.

A Blind Licensed Vendor is not eligible to bid if he or she is in suspension status or has any debts due to the Commission, wholesalers, suppliers, or any has other facility related debts.

A Blind Licensed Vendor is not eligible to bid if, within the last six (6) months, they:

* Resigned or retired from a vending facility for reasons other than health, OR;
* Submitted a bid and was awarded a vending facility but refused the award.

**SCCB DOES NOT GUARANTEE SALES, PROFITS, OR OPENING DATE FOR ANY LOCATION.**

**OPENING DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION.**

Please call Lisa Hall, BEP Consultant, at (803) 908-3267 for complete information about this stand, and to ask any questions you may have.

Bid Applications must be sent by email to bep@sccb.sc.gov or by **certified mail** to:

South Carolina Commission for the Blind

Attn: Business Enterprise Program

1430 Confederate Avenue

Columbia, SC 29201

***All bids must be received by email OR certified mail postmarked on or before the bid closing date to be accepted. Failure to follow the application instructions will disqualify an application.***

For information on reasonable accommodations, please call 803-898-8818.