Contract summary

Industry

Home Office Reintegration Programme – Phase 2 – 2025-28

Location of contract

Overseas

Value of contract

£15 million (£5 million per year)

Published date

Opening date 5 September 2024

Closing date 17 October 2024

Grant Agreement start date 1 April 2025

Grant Agreement end date 31 March 2028

DESCRIPTION

The United Kingdom Home Department (Home Office) is intending to deliver reintegration support to Returning Individuals from the UK in eleven countries:

- Albania
- Bangladesh
- Ethiopia
- Ghana
- India
- Iraq
- Jamaica
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Vietnam
- Zimbabwe

BACKGROUND

To support the United Kingdom Home Department (Home Office) key priorities of tackling illegal migration, removing those with no right to be here, and protecting the vulnerable, the department is seeking a provider to deliver reintegration services to support Returning Individuals from the United Kingdom (UK) to the eleven countries listed above.

The department has a budget of £15,000,000 for the funding period and therefore, invite interested bidders to provide an approximate cost of 100 Returning Individuals, per country.

Please note that this is an indicative figure only and provision of support to Returning Individuals could be more or less than this number.

Reintegration is a key component of Objective 21 of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration: 'cooperate in facilitating safe and dignified return and readmission, as well as sustainable reintegration', with the Home Office seeking to reduce the burden on receiving states and help individuals to become more self-sufficient following their return.

PURPOSE OF THE FUNDING

- Produce a pre-departure information sheet (containing country-specific information) enabling the opportunity to contact the Recipient directly.
- Produce relevant pre-departure communications for Returning Individuals, including video, audio, social media, and marketing communications.
- Airport reception provision for Returning Individuals to address immediate needs (for charters and upon request for scheduled flights).
- Cash assistance to meet immediate needs.
- Residential accommodation for up to 5 nights following arrival (with the option of an additional 5 nights subject to individual circumstances).
- Transportation to an onward destination in-country.
- Provision of care and food packs.
- Assistance with family tracing and reunification services.
- Support with in-country redocumentation requirements.
- Mental Health wellbeing and counselling (where required).
- Support with accessing the job market.
- Access to the Returnee Education and Entrepreneurship fund (REEF) for:
 - support with setting up a business; or
 - support with accessing vocational training or further education.
- Hosting workshops and/or mentorship programmes to upskill Returning Individuals.
- Legal migration pathways and ethical recruitment.
- Effective monitoring and evaluation of Returning Individuals reintegration outcomes.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA OF BIDDERS

The Home Office invites bids from non-statutory sector organisations that are charities and non-profit making organisations in England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and overseas.

Bids for funding are welcomed from single organisations or multi-organisation consortiums and partnerships. In the case of a consortium or partnership bid, one organisation shall be nominated as the lead and shall have agreement from all partner organisations before bidding (this agreement should be demonstrated in the form of a letter signed by all partner organisations). The Home Office funding will be awarded to the lead organisation and the Home Office will enter into a Grant Agreement with the lead organisation.

Bidders can submit bids for one or more countries. Organisations can be named as a bidder in more than one bid but may only be named as the lead organisation in one bid per country.

Please note that the Home Office will conduct due diligence on all bidders and that a Grant Agreement will be the commercial option utilised for the programme.

Interested bidders should note that a Home Office condition of any grant funding will be that Recipients are not permitted to charge, apply fees to or require payment for any activity provided in connection with this funded programme, or otherwise use the grant to undertake or engage in activities that result in commercial gain or profit.

KEY OUTCOMES

Contributing to the wider Reintegration Programme goal of providing better and more tailored support to Returning Individuals in their country of origin:

- Improved response and support to those who have been returned;
- Improved reintegration outcomes for those who have returned over a 12month period;
- Improved reintegration outcomes through the Education & Entrepreneurship Fund:
- Reduction in illegal remigration; and
- Increased understanding of the Returning Individuals needs who have been returned through the collection of data and robust evaluation of the programme.

Dates

Indicative Timings are:

Issue Invitation to Tender (ITT) via eSourcing portal	5 Sept 2024
Clarification period opens	5 Sept 2024
Bidders Virtual Workshops	16 & 17 Sept 2024
Clarification period closes	3 Oct 2024
Final responses to clarification questions	10 Oct 2024
Bid submission deadline	17 Oct 2024
Compliance checks	Oct 2024
Evaluation of Bids	Nov 2024
Mobilisation period	Feb – March 2025
Grant Agreement released to successful Bidder (for signature)	March 2025
Funding start date	1 April 2025

NOTICE TO SUPPLIERS

In December 2016, the Cabinet Office launched its minimum standards for government grants: These include the requirement that competition should be the default option when considering award of grant funding.

To comply, the Home Office manages its competitions using their Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

How to register

In order to bid for funding, bidders will first need to register on the Home Office (HO) Jaggaer portal via the following link:

https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html

Bidders should be approved for usage within 24 hours of registering on the system.

After clicking on the eSourcing portal link, it should take you to the home page. On the left-hand side of this page, just below the login boxes, there is an option to register. To register as a supplier, you will need to provide information which will include:

- the full legal name of your organisation;
- your DUNS number a unique nine-digit number provided to organisations free of charge by Dun & Bradstreet (if you are an international organisation, and do not have a DUNS number, please contact the HOCommercial.Reintegration@homeoffice.gov.uk); and
- profile information describing your organisation and the size of your business.

Once registered as a supplier on the portal, please send a notification e-mail to HOCommercial.Reintegration@homeoffice.gov.uk and request access to the associated documents for the Home Office Reintegration Programme competition.

Email to include:

Email subject line "Reintegration Programme - Portal Access."

Organisation name (as registered on Jaggaer).

Organisation type.

Contact name (as registered on Jaggaer).

E-mail address.

Country Lot(s) you are bidding for.

If you have any difficulties registering on the system, then you should contact the Supplier eSourcing Helpdesk: **customersupport@jaggaer.com**

The HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal is independent of other eSourcing portals.

Therefore, if you have registered on the Crown Commercial Service Jaggaer eSourcing portal, you will also need to register on the HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

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Please note that bids will only be accepted via the HO eSourcing portal. Any bids received outside of this system will not be considered.

Please note that registering for access to the eSourcing portal will not make you a Home Office supplier. To be considered for the award of funding you must first respond to an opportunity.

Further information about procurement at the Home Office can be found on the gov.uk website.

About the buyer

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Other information

How to apply

Once successfully registered on the system you should email HOCommercial.Reintegration@homeoffice.gov.uk. You will then be given access to the event on the eSourcing portal, where you will find all the documentation needed. Applications for the fund will be submitted via the eSourcing portal.

The Reintegration Delivery Team will be holding two virtual workshops on **Monday 16 September** at **11.00am** (**UK time**) and **Tuesday 17 September** at **09.00am** (**UK time**). These workshops will be held via Microsoft Teams and if potential bidders wish to join these workshops, please e-mail HOCommercial.Reintegration@homeoffice.gov.uk with your preferred date and a link will be sent to your e-mail address.