

Republic of the Philippines SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM East Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

PROCUREMENT PLANNING & MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Tel. No. 8709-7198 loc 5504-5507/6391

July 28, 2022

Sir/Madam:

Please furnish us with your quotation on or before <u>AUGUST 3, 2022 @ 5:00PM</u> for the items listed in the attached **Request for Quotation (RFQ)**.

Kindly accomplish the **RFQ Form** together with the **Bidder's Information** and indicate your confirmation on the **Terms and Conditions** by signing the **Certification**.

Refer to the Instruction to Suppliers for the procedure on the submission of quotation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(ON LEAVE) By: BILLY V. DIBDIB

VIOLETA V. JAVAR Acting Head

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REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) FORM

RFQ Number	RFQ Date	ABC	APP NO.
2022-0177	July 28, 2022	•	July 3 rd Update PAP 2022-266A

Lot No.	Quantity	PARTICULARS	Total Cost
1	1 Lot	Supply of Labor & Materials for the set-up of SSS 65 th Anniversary Lobby Exhibit	
Please c	ompletely f	ill-out and submit the following fo	rm/s:
		I Specification / Statement of Con	npliance
	- Bill of Qu		
Annex C	- Drawings	/Layout	
Price Va	lidity	Three (3) Months	
Delivery	Terms	Fifteen (15) Calendar Days upon re Order / Job Order Place of Delivery: SSS Main Office City	
Payment	t Terms	 Government Terms SSS shall withhold the applicable payable in accordance with the Payment is upon delivery of item billing documents. 	BIR regulations.

В	SIDDER'S INFORMATION	
Business Name	Address	
Name of Company Representative	Email Address	Telephone/Mobile Number
PhilGEPS Registration No.	SS Number	BIR TIN

One time payment upon completion of the project

NOTE: The Supplier must ensure to fill-out the details of its business and of the owner/company representative, with signature over printed name. Incompletely filled-out RFQ Form is a ground for disqualification of submitted quotation.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. For contract price amounting to P100,000.00 and above, the winning Supplier shall be required to post a Performance Security from receipt of Notice of Award equivalent to % of Contract Price as follows:
 - 5% (Goods & Consulting Services) or 10% (Infrastructure) Cash, Cashier's/Manager's Check, Bank Draft/Guarantee, or
 - 30% Surety Bond callable upon demand.
- 2. If two (2) or more Suppliers submitted the same price quotation and have been postqualified as the suppliers with Lowest Calculated and Responsive Quotations, the procuring unit shall use "draw lots" or similar method of chance to break the tie.
- 3. Alternative offer shall not be allowed. Any bid exceeding the ABC shall be a ground for disqualification.
- 4. Quantity is subject to change but not to exceed the quantity in the approved PO/JO/LO.
- 5. Award shall be on a per "LOT BASIS" and the date of conduct/start of the project is subject to change.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPPLIERS

- For clarification of details, please contact Mr. Joel M. Pantila / EFMD at 88709-7198 local 5541 or via e-mail pantilajm@sss.gov.ph
- 2. Supplier should indicate "COMPLY" or "NOT COMPLY" in the STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE COLUMN. Failure to indicate compliance and non-compliance will mean automatic disqualification.
- 3. Sealed Quotations may be submitted through the following:
 - a. DROP BOX located at Procurement Planning & Management Dept. (PPMD), 2nd Floor, SSS Main Bldg., East Ave., Diliman, Quezon City. It shall be addressed to Ms. VIOLETA V. JAVAR Acting Head of the PPMD. Indicate in the sealed envelope the RFQ Number, company name, name of company representative, business address, and contact details.
 - b. ELECTRONIC MAIL at **bacsealedquotations@sss.gov.ph** with the following requirements:
 - i. Quotations and attachments should be in portable document format (pdf), compressed/zipped and protected by a password. (See attached Guide in Creating password protected zip file folder.)
 - ii. File name of the zip file folder shall be by RFQ number and Project Title.
 - iii. The Supplier who timely submitted its Sealed Quotation but who fails to provide its password on the date and time of opening shall be disqualified.
 - iv. Passwords shall be made available only through email (bacsealedquotations@sss.gov.ph) or SMS (09062603807) during opening of bids which is scheduled on:

DATE: <u>AUGUST 4, 2022</u> TIME: <u>1:30 PM - 2:00PM</u>

- 4. After evaluation of offer, the SUPPLIER shall be required to submit complete documentary requirements after receipt of notice or advise from the SSS, as follows:
 - a. Valid Mayor's/Business Permit;1
 - b. PhilGEPS Registration Number (Red Membership) or PhilGEPS Certificate (Platinum Membership);
 - c. Certificate of Registration whichever may be appropriate under existing laws of the Philippines:
 - i. Bureau of Domestic Trade & Industry (BDTI) Sole Proprietorship
 - ii. Incorporation Papers registered and approved by the Securities & Exchange Commission Partnership/Corporation

Per GPPB Resolution No. 09-2020, dated 7 May 2020, Expired Business or Mayor's permit with Official Receipt of renewal application and Unnotarized Omnibus Sworn Statement may be submitted for procurement activities during a State of Calamity, or implementation of community quarantine or similar restrictions subject to compliance therewith after award of contract but before payment.

- iii. Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board License (PCAB)
 Contractors/Civil Works
- iv. Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) Cooperatives;
- d. Latest Annual Income / Business Tax Return (for ABCs above P500K);
- e. BIR Certificate of Registration Form 2303;
- f. SSS ID Number (Employer/Self-Employed);
- g. Notarized Omnibus Sworn Statement (for ABCs above ₽50,000);1 and
- h. For ABCs amounting to ₽50,000 and below, the supplier with lowest calculated & responsive quotation/bid shall be required to submit a Notarized Special Power of Attorney (SPA) for Sole Proprietorship or Secretary's Certificate for Partnership/Corporation.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT

- 1. The SUPPLIER shall deliver the goods in accordance with the description and quantity specifications of the Purchase Order/Job Order.
- 2. The SUPPLIER shall deliver the goods within the period indicated in the Purchase Order. A penalty of 1/10 of 1% of the total amount of the items shall be imposed for every day of delay in delivery.
- 3. The SUPPLIER shall deliver Goods/Services which must all be fresh stock, brandnew, unused, properly sealed, and which are not set to expire within two (2) years from date of delivery to the SSS, if applicable.
- 4. The SUPPLIER warrants that all the Goods/Services have no defects arising from design, materials, or workmanship or from any act or omission of the Supplier or the manufacturer that may develop under normal use of consumables, if applicable.
- 5. For Goods, the SUPPLIER shall replace any defective item within twenty-four (24) hours from the time that it was notified by the SSS of the defect. Defects detected only after the item is installed and used are covered by the replacement warranty which will be in effect for every item until its expiry date. Replacement of defective item shall have no cost on the SSS, if applicable.
- 6. To assure that manufacturing defects shall be corrected by the SUPPLIER, a warranty security shall be required from the SUPPLIER for a minimum of three (3) months in the case of expendable items, or a minimum period of one (1) year in the case of non-expendable items, after the acceptance of the delivered items. The obligation for the warranty shall be covered, at the Supplier's option, by either retention money in an amount equivalent to five percent (5%) of total purchase price, or a special bank guarantee equivalent to five percent (5%) of the total purchase price with validity period starting from the date of acceptance. The said amounts shall only be released after the lapse of the warranty period
- 7. If the SUPPLIER, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the specified period, the SSS may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the SUPPLIER's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the SSS may have against the SUPPLIER under these Terms and Conditions and under the applicable law.
- 8. The pricing of the Goods/Services shall be in Peso and inclusive of Twelve Percent (12%) Value-Added Tax (VAT).

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

1. Confidentiality. Neither Party shall, without the prior written consent of the other, disclose or make available to any person, make public, or use directly or indirectly, except for the performance and implementation of the works, any confidential information acquired from an information holder in connection with the performance of this Agreement, unless: (i) the information is known to the disclosing Party, as evidenced by its written records, prior to obtaining the same from the information holder and is not otherwise subject to disclosure restrictions on the disclosing Party, (ii) the information is disclosed to the disclosing Party by a third party who did not receive the same, directly or indirectly, from an information holder, and who has no obligation of secrecy with respect thereto, or (iii) required to be disclosed by law.

The obligation of confidentiality by both Parties, as provided herein, shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

- 2. Merger and Consolidation. In case of merger, consolidation or change of ownership of the SUPPLIER with another company, it is the responsibility of the surviving company/consolidated company/acquiring entity to inform the SSS of the change in corporate structure/ownership. Failure to do so shall translate in such company assuming all liabilities of the acquired/merged company under this Agreement.
- 3. Force Majeure. The SUPPLIER shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, liquidated damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that the SUPPLIER's delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under this Agreement is the result of a force majeure.
 - For purposes of this Agreement the terms "force majeure" and "fortuitous event" may be used interchangeably. In this regard, a fortuitous event or force majeure shall be interpreted to mean an event which the SUPPLIER could not have foreseen, or which though foreseen, was inevitable. It shall not include ordinary unfavorable weather conditions; and any other cause the effects of which could have been avoided with the exercise of reasonable diligence by the SUPPLIER. Such events may include, but not limited to, acts of the SSS in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, and freight embargoes.
- 4. **Non-Assignment**. Neither Party may assign the Contract in whole or in part without the consent of the other Party.
- 5. Waiver. Failure by either Party to insist upon the other the strict performance of any of the terms and conditions hereof shall not be deemed a relinquishment or waiver of any subsequent breach or default of the terms and conditions hereof, which can only be deemed made if expressed in writing and signed by its duly authorized representative. No such waiver shall be construed as modification of any of the provisions of this Agreement or as a waiver of any past or future default or breach hereof, except as expressly stated in such waiver.
- 6. **Cumulative Remedies.** Any and all remedies granted to the Parties under the applicable laws and this Agreement shall be deemed cumulative and may, therefore, at the sole option and discretion, be availed of by the aggrieved Party simultaneously, successively, or independently.
- 7. **No Employer-Employee Relationship**. It is expressly and manifestly understood and agreed that the employees of the SUPPLIER assigned to perform the PROJECT are not employees of the SSS. Neither is there an employer-employee relationship between the SSS and the SUPPLIER.

This Agreement does not create an employer-employee relationship between the SSS and the SUPPLIER including its personnel; that the PROJECT rendered by the personnel assigned by the SUPPLIER to the SSS in the performance of its obligation under this Agreement do not represent government service and will not be credited as such; that its personnel assigned to the SSS are not entitled to benefits enjoyed by SSS' officials and employees such as Personal Economic Relief Allowance (PERA), Representation and Transportation Allowance (RATA), ACA, etc.; that these personnel are not related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to the contracting officer and appointing authority of the SSS; that they have not been previously dismissed from the government service by reason of an

administrative case; that they have not reached the compulsory retirement age of sixty-five (65); and that they possess the education, experience and skills required to perform the job. The SUPPLIER hereby acknowledges that no authority has been given by the SSS to hire any person as an employee of the latter. Any instruction given by the SSS or any of its personnel to the SUPPLIER's employees is to be construed merely as a measure taken by the former to ensure and enhance the quality of PROJECT performed hereunder. The SUPPLIER shall, at all times, exercise supervision and control over its employees in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

- 8. **Partnership**. Nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a partnership between the parties. No Party or its agents or employees shall be deemed to be the agent, employee or representative of any other Party.
- 9. Compliance with SS Law. The SUPPLIER shall report all its employees to the SSS for coverage and their contributions, as well as all amortizations for salary/education/calamity and other SSS loans shall be updated. Should the SUPPLIER fail to comply with its obligation under the provisions of the SS Law and Employees' Compensation Act, the SSS shall have the authority to deduct any unpaid SS and EC contributions, salary, educational, emergency and/or calamity loan amortizations, employer's liability for damages, including interests and penalties from the SUPPLIER's receivables under this Agreement.

Further, prescription does not run against the SSS for its failure to demand SS contributions or payments from the SUPPLIER. Moreover, the SUPPLIER shall forever hold in trust SS contributions or payments of its employees until the same is fully remitted to the SSS.

- 10. Compliance with Labor Laws. The SUPPLIER, as employer of the personnel assigned to undertake the PROJECT, shall comply with all its obligations under existing laws and their implementing rules and regulations on the payment of minimum wage, overtime pay, and other labor-related benefits as well as remittances or payment of the appropriate amount or contributions/payment (SSS, EC, Pag-IBIG, PhilHealth and taxes) with concerned government agencies/offices.
 - It is agreed further, that prior to the release of any payment by the SSS to the SUPPLIER, its President or its duly authorized representative, shall submit a sworn statement that all moneys due to all the employees assigned to the PROJECT as well as benefits by law and other related labor legislation have been paid by the SUPPLIER and that he/she assumed full responsibility thereof.
- 11. Compliance with Tax Laws. The SUPPLIER shall, in compliance with tax laws, pay the applicable taxes in full and on time and shall regularly present to the SSS within the duration of this Agreement, tax clearance from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) as well as copy of its income and business tax returns duly stamped by the BIR and duly validated with the tax payments made thereon, if applicable. Failure by the SUPPLIER to comply with the foregoing shall entitle the SSS to suspend payment of the Contract Price.
- 12. **Liquidated Damages.** If the SUPPLIER fails to satisfactorily deliver any or all of the Goods and/or to perform the Services within the period(s) specified in the PBD inclusive of duly granted time extensions if any, the SSS shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under this Agreement and under the applicable law, deduct from the Contract Price, as liquidated damages, the applicable rate of one tenth (1/10) of one (1) percent of the cost of the unperformed portion for every day of delay until actual delivery or performance. Once the amount of liquidated damages reaches ten percent (10%), the SSS may rescind or terminate this Agreement, without prejudice to other courses of action and remedies open to it.
- 13. Hold Free and Harmless. The SUPPLIER agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold the SSS free and harmless from any and all claims, damages, expenses, fines, penalties and/or liabilities of whatever nature and kind, whether in law or equity, that may arise by reason of the implementation of the Agreement. In addition, the SUPPLIER agrees to indemnify the SSS for any damage as a result of said implementation.

- 14. Settlement of Disputes. All actions and controversies that may arise from the Contract involving but not limited to demands for specific performance of the obligations as specified herein and/or in the interpretation of any provisions or clauses contained herein, shall, in the first instance, be settled within thirty (30) calendar days through amicable means, such as, but not limited to mutual discussion. Should the dispute remain unresolved by the end of the afore-mentioned period, the dispute shall be settled in accordance with applicable provisions of Republic Act No. 9285, otherwise known as the Alternative Dispute Resolution Act of 2004.
- 15. **Venue of Actions**. Any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to the contract shall be instituted in the appropriate court in Quezon City, the Parties hereto waiving any other venue.
- 16. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.
- 17. **Amendments.** This Agreement may be amended only in writing and executed by the Parties or their duly authorized representatives.
- 18. **Separability**. If any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement or any document executed in connection herewith shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, then: (i) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein or therein shall not in any way be affected or impaired and shall remain in full force and effect; and (ii) the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision shall be replaced by the parties immediately with a term or provision that is valid, legal and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of such invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision.
- 19. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties hereto, their assignee/s and successor/s-in-interest.
- 20. **Non-Publicity**. No press release in oral, written or electronic form shall be issued covering this transaction without prior written approval of the SSS. Inclusion in any reference lit shall also be undertaken only upon prior written approval of the SSS.

CERTIFICATION
This is to certify that my company conforms with the above Terms and Conditions, and that the data/quotation indicated is true, correct, and valid.
Owner/Company Representative (Signature over Printed Name)
 Date

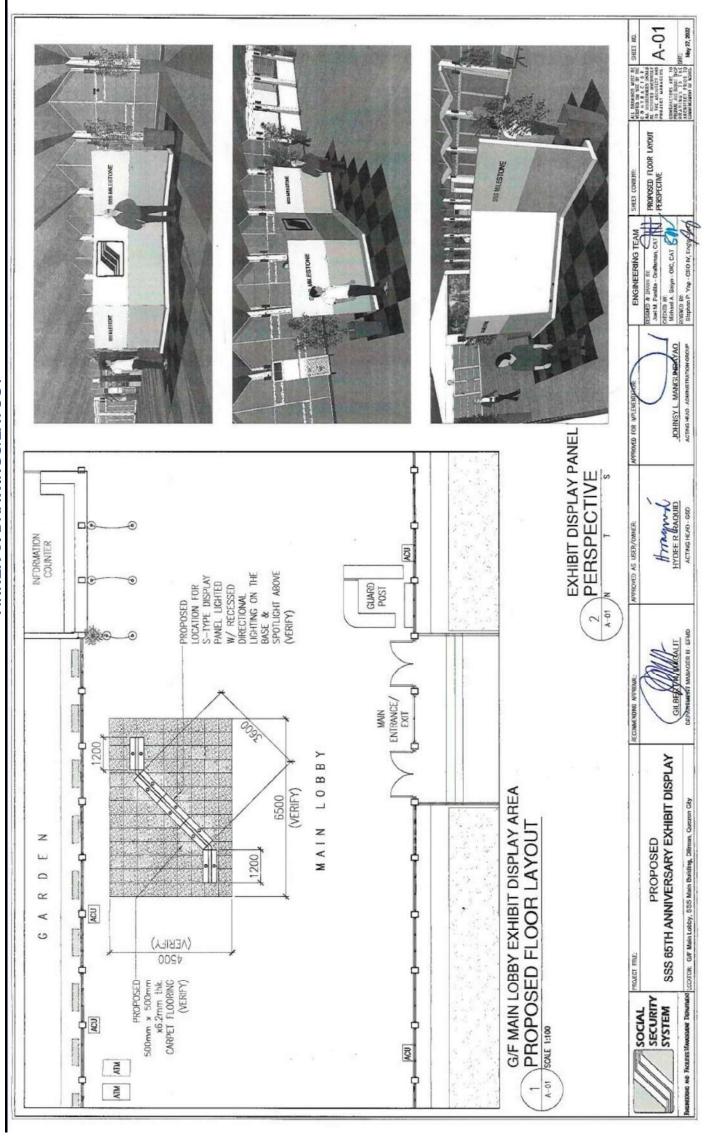
ANNEX A. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

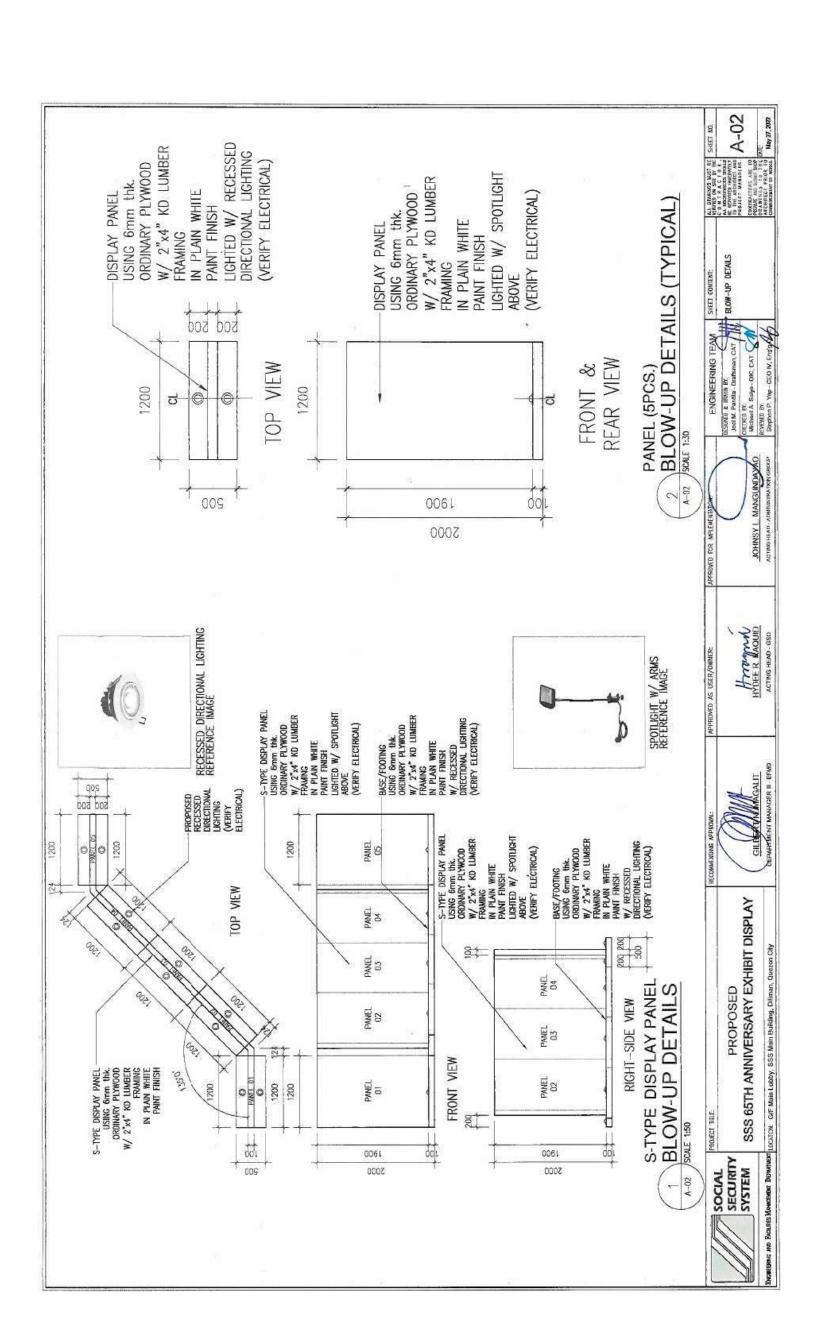
Suppliers/Bidders should indicate "COMPLY" or "NOT COMPLY" to each specification below. Please do not leave any portion blank as it will result to disqualification of quotation/bid.

	Supply of labor and materials for the set-up of SSS 65 th Anniversary Main Building, East Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City	/ Lobby Exhibit
ITEM	SPECIFICATION	STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE
	A. SCOPE OF WORKS & MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	
Supply,	Delivery and Installation of the following:	
1	S-Type Display Panel consists of 5 pcs. 1.20m width x 2.00m height Display Panel using 6mm thk. ordinary plywood w/ 2"x4" kd lumber framing in plain white paint finish w/ holes on base/footing to accommodate recessed directional lighting - Refer to approved Drawings	
2	500mm x 500mm x 6.2mm thk. Carpet tiles including surface preparation, carpet adhesive and 22.00 linear meter aluminium or rubber edging. (Estimated covered floor area for carpet tiles = 29.25 sq.m.)	
3	Printing of graphic design/layout on 3mm thk. sintra board and installation to the plywood panels.	
4	Recessed Directional Lighting (3 inches diameter & 7 watts LED Warm White with complete wirings, extension cord, connectors, plug and concealment of wirings – 10 sets)	
5	Spotlight w/ arms (10 watts LED Warm White with complete wirings, extension cord, connectors, plug and concealment of wirings – 10 sets)	
6	Flower arrangement, 6 feet – 7 feet high mixed flowers on a stand w/ 11 inches diameter ribbon for cutting and anniversary sash.	
7	Restoration of Existing TV stands including replacement of new laminates (0.6mm thk. colored laminate) matching the anniversary theme.	
8	Materials deemed necessary to complete the work but not specifically mentioned in the specifications, working drawings or in the other contract documents are inferred, and shall be supplied and installed by the contractor without extra cost to the owner. Such material shall be of the highest quality available, installed and applied in workmanlike manner at prescribed or appropriate locations.	
	B. OTHER REQUIREMENTS	
1	Supplier to submit sample of the following finishes/fixtures for approval of SSS implementing unit prior to installation. a. Carpet tiles b. Recessed directional lighting (for testing, verify specifications) c. Spotlight (for testing, verify specifications) d. Color/finish of laminates	
2	Bidder to conduct joint site inspection with SSS representative to evaluate the actual project location and distinguished the actual location of the existing tapping point for the power source.	

ANNEX B. BILL OF QUANTITIES

	1 Lot Supply of Labor & Materials for the set-up of SSS 65 th Anniversary Lobby Exhibit	niversary l	obby Exh	ibit	
MHC	DESCRIPTION	QTY	TIND	MATERIAL EQUIPMENT (In	MATERIALS & LABOR / EQUIPMENT (Including MARK-UP & 12% VAT
				UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
(A)	(B)	(၁)	(D)	(E)	$(F) = (C \times E)$
~	S-Type Display Panel consist 5 pcs. 1.20m width x 2.00m height Display Panel using 6mm thk. Ordinary plywood w/ 2"x4" kd lumber framing in plain white paint finish w/ holes in base/footing to accommodate recessed directional lighting (per drawing)	-	lot		
2	500mm x 500mm x 6.2mm thk. Carpet tiles including surface preparation, carpet adhesive and 22.00 linear meter aluminum or rubber edging	29.25	sq.m.		
3	Printing of graphic design/layout on a 3mm thick sintra board and installation to the plywood panels	1	lot		
4	Recessed Directional Lighting, 3 inches diameter & 7 watts LED Warm White including wirings, extension cord, connectors, plug and concealment of wirings	10	sets		
5	Spotlight w/ arm, 10 watts LED Warm White including wirings, extension cord, connectors, plug and concealment of wirings	10	sets		
9	Flower arrangement, 6 feet - 7 feet high mixed flowers on a stand w/ 11 inches diameter ribbon for cutting and anniversary sash	2	sets		
7	Restoration of existing TV stand including replacement of new laminates (0.6mm thk. Colored laminate) matching the anniversary theme	1	lot		
∞	Delivery Fees/charges including hauling and disposal of waste materials	—	lot		
		TOT,	TOTAL COST		





SSS MILESTONES

1950

<u>September 1, 1957</u> Social Security System (SSS) was established to implement the Social Security Act of 1954. The first benefits offered to the members were for Disability and Death, while initial coverage was extended to employers with at least 50 employees.







October 1, 1957 In cooperation with the Home Financing Commission, a Housing Loan Program for SSS members was offered.



September 1, 1958

On its first anniversary, SSS extended its coverage to employers with at least six employees, offered Sickness Benefits for members with at least one-year coverage, and laid the cornerstone of its future home at Quezon City.



March 30, 1959

Granting of Direct Housing Loans to qualified members.

1960

June 18, 1960

Coverage of all private enterprises with at least one employee and certain types of agricultural workers.



June 22, 1963

Coverage of employees of foreign governments or international organizations, upon agreement with the Philippine Government.

<u>September 16, 1964</u>
Start of the Salary Loan Program and refunds for SSS contributions were stopped.

February 1967

SSS operations were decentralized with the establishment of 10 regional and 59 provincial offices.



1970

October 19, 1972

Signing into law of Presidential Decree No. 24, amending certain sections of Republic Act No. 1161, otherwise known as the Social Security Act of 1954.



April 23, 1973

Voluntary SSS coverage started for overseas Filipino workers (OFWs).

July 1, 1974

Funeral Benefits were offered to beneficiaries and Survivor's Pension was extended to legitimate children of SSS members.

January 1, 1978

Maternity Benefits were given to qualified female members computed at 100% of their daily salary credit for 45 days.

September 1979

The "Mag-impok sa Bangko Program" was launched.

1980

January 1, 1980

Presidential Decree No. 1936 was implemented, which provided for, among others, compulsory SSS coverage of certain self-employed persons.



March 15, 1987

Condonation Program offered for penalties on delinquent housing loans.

September 1, 1988

Granting of two-month Salary Loans and opening of the Stock Investment Loan Program for qualified SSS members.

December 1988

Granting of 13th month pension started for all SSS and Employees' Compensation pensioners.

1990

May 1, 1990

Monthly supplemental pension was granted to SSS total disability pensioners, while Medicare benefits were given to SSS retirees and their dependents.

<u>July 1991</u>

The Business Rehabilitation Program was launched for small and medium enterprises affected by the Mt. Pinatubo eruption.



January 1, 1992

Coverage of farmers and fishermen under the Self-employed Program started.

April 23, 1992

Daily maternity benefits were increased from 45 days to 60 days for normal delivery or miscarriage and from 60 days to 78 days for caesarean delivery.

<u>September 1, 1992</u>

Monthly supplemental allowance was granted to all SSS permanent partial disability pensioners; and the Members' Assistance Center or MAC was opened in Diliman, Quezon City as a one-stop-shop to cater to all the needs of members.



September 1, 1993

Coverage of Household Helpers started. In 1993, the SSS also pursued a decentralization program and started the use of imaging technology in processing pension claims.

January 1, 1994

The expanded imaging center—which now included salary loans processing—was inaugurated; and the Automatic Debit Arrangement and the Interactive Voice Response System were launched.

September 1, 1995

Coverage of Non-Working Spouse began, and the Electronic Data Interchange Net was launched.



January 1, 1996

The Expanded Self-Employed coverage started. In 1996, computerization and decentralization were also pursued with representative offices upgraded to full-service branches. The program "Serbisyong WOW: Wasto, nasa Oras, World-class" was likewise launched and the SSSNet was pilot tested.

May 1, 1997

The signing of Republic Act No. 8282, otherwise known as the "Social Security Act of 1997" amending the Social Security Law or Republic Act No. 1161.



Also in 1997, several service initiatives were launched: (a) the SSS Biometrics ID, (b) the SSS Electronic Clearance System, (c) the SSS Information Kiosks, and (d) the SSS Website. The SSS also established the Business Recovery Center to ensure continuous operations in the event of a calamity or natural/manmade disaster.

April 16, 1998

Medicare functions of SSS were transferred to PhilHealth under Republic Act No. 7875. Also in 1998, the SSS ID Card Production Center was inaugurated.

<u>January 1, 19</u>99

The first of five SSS Info Kiosks was launched at the malls in Makati, Manila, Cebu, and Davao. Also in 1999, the new ID card data capture station was brought to Hong Kong and Taiwan to enable OFWs to register and have their new SSS IDs.

2000

May 2000

A Direct Housing Loan Program for Trade Union Members and OFWs was offered. Also, the retirement age of underground mine workers was lowered from 60 years old to 55 years old.

November 2000

The SSS Livelihood Trade Center at the East Triangle property was opened to encourage small and medium scale entrepreneurs to venture into business.

May 2001

The Flexi-fund Program for OFWs was offered. Also in 2001, the Covenant of Service Program—SSS' commitment to significantly reduce the processing time of member benefits—was launched.

April 2002

A Daily Remittance Scheme for members belonging to the informal sector was offered.

September 1, 2002

Various service initiatives were launched: (a) Online Inquiry System, (b) Text SSS, (c) Branch Tellering System, and (d) Sickness, Maternity, and Employees' Compensation Payment Thru-the-Bank Program.

<u>Augu</u>st 2003

The Special Financing Programs for Small Enterprises was opened to support the micro-business development program of the government.

September 2003

A Condonation Program was offered for penalties on delinquent Stock Investment and Privatization Fund loans.

<u>April 20</u>04

The Annual Confirmation of Pensioners or ACOP Program was launched to ensure that the right pension benefits are being paid to the correct and qualified beneficiaries.

August 2004

A Condonation Program was offered for penalties on delinquent short-term member loans.

The SSS joined the Unified Multi-Purpose Identification System or UMID Project, which aims to streamline, harmonize, and unify existing identification systems used by government agencies through the issuance of a Common Reference Number.

September 30, 2006

A Condonation, Restructuring, and Dacion-en-Pago Program for delinquent housing loans was offered.

September 1, 2007

The SSS celebrated its 50th anniversary.

May 1, 2008

A Condonation Program was opened for penalties on short-term loans.

May 25, 2009

A Single Employer Registration Process started between SSS and PhilHealth.



June 2009 The SSS Facebook page was created.

2010

February 2010

Issuance of rules and regulations of the Social Security Condonation Law of 2009 for effective implementation of Republic Act No. 9903 or "An Act Granting the Social System a one-time Authority to Condone Penalties on Unremitted or Delinguent Contributions by Employers."

<u>January 2011</u> SSS offered a Penalty Condonation Program on Unremitted or Delinquent Contributions by Employers.

February 2011

Cooperatives were accredited as SSS collecting agents.

May 2011

Implementation of the SSS Rationalized Structure. Also in 2011, the SSS started the production and distribution of the UMID Card for its members, launched the SSS YouTube Channel, and implemented the Automated Records Management System.



<u>2012</u>

The AlkanSSSya Program was launched to cover informal sector workers. Also in 2012, the DILG-SSS partnership started to require all business permit applicants to submit SSS Certificate of Compliance.

2013

SSS launched the following: (a) KaltaSSS Collect Program, (b) Automated Tellering System and (c) Kasambahay Unified Registration System.

2014

SSS rolled out the MuniSSSipyo-Collect Program with LGUs, opened the OFW Contact Service Unit, and created the official SSS Twitter page.

2015

SSS launched the voluntary Provident Fund called the SSS PESO Fund, offered the 1-800 toll-free number for local and international services, enhanced Text SSS, launched Text Blast, and increased the Funeral Benefits from ₱20,000.00 to ₱40,000.00.

April 28, 2016

Offered the one-year Loan Restructuring Program to assist member-borrowers clean up their overdue calamity and other past due short-term SSS loans. Also in 2016, the Simulated Retirement Benefit Calculator in the website was launched and the SSS tapped GCash for members' contribution and loan payments.



January 2017

Effectivity of the ₱ 1,000.00 across-the-board pension increase.



April 20, 2017

Launching of the Run After Contribution Evaders campaign, which involves the conduct of mapping operations as well as the posting of show-cause orders in public work environments of establishments found delinquent. Also in 2017, the "Oplan Tokhang" was conducted in partnership with the Philippine National Police, that enabled the SSS to speed up on court actions and follow the judicial process of filing and prosecuting cases among employers who have not remitted to SSS what they have deducted and collected from their employees.

SSS was also ranked as one of the most trusted government agencies in the country with a 94 percent trust rating based on the 2017 and fifth Philippine Trust Index and has recorded the fastest turnaround time in resolving Hotline 8888 cases based on Civil Service Commission report.

May 19, 2017

MOA was signed between SSS and the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for coverage of about 6,000 self-employed lawyers in the country.

June 2017

Reduction of retirement age for underground and surface miners from 55 to 50 years old (optional

retirement) and from 65 to 60 years old (technical retirement).

July 2017

MOA was signed between SSS and the Katipunan ng mga Artistang Pilipino sa Pelikula at Telebisyon for coverage of about 1,600 movie and television workers.

July 17, 2017

MOA was signed between SSS and the Department of Information and Communications Technology on Government Network Sharing to establish faster and more accessible online services among national government agencies.

September 1, 2017

The SSS celebrated its Diamond Year or 60th anniversary.

October 2017

SSS bagged the 2017 Government Best Practice Award from the Development Academy of the Philippines for its implementation of the AlkanSSSya Program.

January 16, 2018

Launched the Real-Time Processing of Contributions or RTPC for the instant validation, transmission, and acknowledgement of SSS contribution data between the payment facility and the SSS system, and subsequently, the posting to a member's contribution record.

March 2018

Issuance of the guidelines on the Warrants of Distraint, Levy, and/or Garnishment or WDLG, which involves the distraint of personal properties, levy of real properties, and garnishment of bank accounts, equivalent to the amount of unpaid contributions by delinquent employers, including penalties, damages, and other expenses.

April 2018

SSS lowered the compulsory retirement age of professional racehorse jockeys from 60 to 55 years old, in compliance with Republic Act No. 10789 or the Racehorse Jockeys Retirement Act.

April 2, 2018

SSS offered the six-month Loan Restructuring Program with Penalty Condonation.

September 2018

SSS launched its own mobile application to provide members with more convenient means to view their personal records and other relevant information without the need to visit the branches.



September 3, 2018

SSS launched the Pension Loan Program to help pensioners with their short-term financial needs.

February 20, 2019

Republic Act No. 11199, otherwise known as the Social Security Act of 2018, was finally signed int law, thereby amending the 21-year old charter of SSS (RA 8282 or the Social Security Act of 1997).

March 5, 2019

The Unemployment or Involuntary Separation Benefit was initially implemented. Also in March 2019, SSS shifted the coverage for all sea- and land-based OFWs who are not yet over 60 years of age from voluntary to compulsory.

March 11, 2019

Enhancement of maternity benefits in accordance with Republic Act No. 11210 or the 105-day Expanded Maternity Leave Law.

March 15, 2019

Implementation of the six-month Contribution Penalty Condonation Program for qualified regular and household employers.

April 1, 2019

Implementation of the contribution rate increase from 11 to 12 percent, and the adjustment of the minimum and maximum Monthly Salary Credits (MSC) to ₱2,000.00 and ₱ 20,000.00, respectively.

July 2019

MOA signed between SSS and the Philippine Sports Commission to ensure the social security coverage of national athletes, coaches, and trainers.

August 2019

SSS started accepting Unemployment Benefit applications online.

October 2019

SSS launched Hotline 1455.



December 2019

MOU signed between SSS and the Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation for the social security coverage of farmers and fisherfolks in the Philippines. Also in December 2019, SSS pilot ran the Customer Relationship Management System.

<u> 2019</u>

SSS implemented the following electronic functionalities: (a) Online Payment with PayMaya through SSS Mobile App, (b) Payment Reference Number or PRN generation through the Self-Service Express Terminals, and (c) various online transactions through the SSS website like salary loan application, resumption of updating of contact information, online payment with Moneygment and online filing of retirement claim. Also in 2019, SSS piloted the expanded e-Centers in 13 branches across the country.



SSS was recognized by the ASEAN Social Security Association or ASSA for the project "P13.1-B Fund Allocation for the 105-day Expanded Maternity Leave Law for 2019" and by the IFC-World Bank Doing Business Team for the "Real-Time Processing of Contribution Program."

2020





April 2020

SSS, in partnership with the Bureau of Internal Revenue and the Department of Finance, implemented the Small Business Wage Subsidy Program, or SBWS, a social amelioration program funded by the national government for workers of business who were unable to work due to the lockdowns imposed to control the COVID-19 pandemic. Over P45.13 Billion worth of wage subsidies were given to more than three million workers in two tranches over the span of four months.





May 2020

In compliance with the Bayanihan – Heal as One Act (Republic Act 11469) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the SSS implemented various programs and policies to assist members and employers such as extending contribution payment deadlines, deferring short-term loan payments and refunding pension loan payments, extending the filing of Sickness notifications for employed members and Sickness Benefit applications for self-employed, voluntary, and OFW members, and suspending the Annual Confirmation of Pensioners Program until 60 days after the lifting of community quarantines.



June - July 2020

Contact-less transactions continued as SSS started accepting online Unemployment Benefit applications, direct payment of Funeral Benefit claims through PESONet participating banks, e-wallets, or RTCs/CPOs, in addition to UMID enrolled as an ATM card, online filing of Sickness Benefit Reimbursement Applications and online filing of Retirement Benefit Applications.

October 2020

SSS imposed the mandatory enrollment of employers'/members'/pensioners' PESONet/E-Wallet/RTC/CPO account in the Disbursement Account Enrollment Module of My.SSS for crediting of their loan and benefit proceeds.

September 2020

In celebration of its 63rd anniversary, the SSS launched 'ExpreSSS,' which featured enhanced online services, mandatory online transactions.

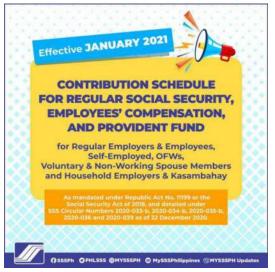


checkless disbursements. One specific addition to the SSS website was the Pension Loan Program online application facility for retiree-pensioners to renew their pension loans.



November 2020

SSS launched the ExpreSSS e-Learning or ExSSSeL Portal, an online learning platform that allows members, employers, and other stakeholders to learn about the benefits and services of the pension fund. SSS also imposed moratoriums on short-term loan and housing loan payments to comply with the "Bayanihan to Heal as One" Act and the "Bayanihan to Recover as One" Act (also known as Republic Act No. 11469 and Republic Act No. 11494, respectively.)



January 2021

As provided under RA 11199, the SSS implemented the following: (a) one percent contribution rate increase from 12 to 13 percent, (b) adjustment of minimum MSC to ₱3,000.00 and maximum MSC to ₱25,000.00, except for Kasambahay and OFW members whose minimum MSC will remain at P1,000 and P8,000, respectively, and the (c) Workers' Investment and Savings Program or WISP, which is a mandatory provident fund for members whose month salary credits are above P20,000. This individual retirement savings plan augments the member-contributor's savings from the regular Social Security program.

February 2021

SSS has added employer registration and submission of the initial list of employees as among the online transactions available in the national government-initiated Central Business Portal project.

May 1, 2021

SSS imposed the mandatory use of PRN for short-term loan payments.

May 31, 2021

SSS rolled out the online filing of Maternity Benefit Application and Maternity Benefit Reimbursement Application through My.SSS.

July 1, 2021

SSS imposed the mandatory use of PRN for Salary, Calamity, Emergency, and Restructured loan payment transactions.

September 2021

Enhancement of the online application of Social Security number with uploading of supporting documents feature.



September 7, 2021

Launching of the Pandemic Relief and Restructuring Program 1 (PRRP 1) or the Nationwide Implementation of the Extension of Deadline of Remittance of Contributions for the applicable month of July 2021 from August 31 to September 30, 2021



September 10, 2021

In commemoration of its 64th anniversary, the SSS launched the "uSSSap Tayo" customer-relationship management (CRM) portal that provides users with easier, simpler, and faster access to SSS information, and an additional facility for sending their concerns.

October 29, 2021

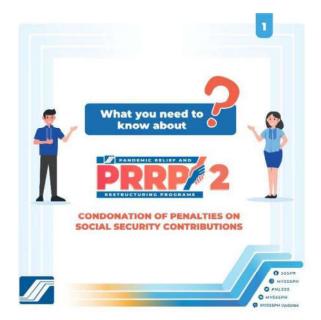
Launching of the PRRP 4 or the Housing Loan Restructuring and Penalty Condonation Program for qualified SSS housing loan borrowers, successors in interest, and legal heirs.

November 15, 2021

Launching of PRRP 5 or the Short-Term Member Loan Penalty Condonation Program, to provide financial relief to its pandemic-hit members.

November 16, 2021

Launching of PRRP 3 or the Enhanced Installment Payment Program that allowed employers who are deficient with their SS and EC contributions to pay for it in installment basis.



November 19, 2021

Launching of the PRRP 2 or the Condonation of Penalties on Social Security Contributions Program for business and household employers.

November 23, 2021

SSS received Silver Trailblazer Award for Performance Governance System.

December 27, 2021

SSS rolled out the online filing of SS and EC Sickness Notification, Sickness Benefit Application, and Sickness Benefit Reimbursement Application through My.SSS.

February 2022

SSS began issuing SS Numbers to claimants, beneficiaries, and guardians who are not SSS members.

March 2022

Launching of the first-ever SSS San Pedro Digital Branch, which has three sections: the E-center, Mobile App Learning Center and Customer Care Center.



April 1, 2022
Resumption of RACE operations in Metro Manila.

April 19, 2022

SSS started the online filing of SS and EC Death Benefit claims through the My.SSS portal for all qualified dependent legal spouses of deceased SSS members.



May 4, 2022

SSS started accepting contribution payments of individual members through ShopeePay.

May 16, 2022

Resumption in the My.SSS of the updating of member's contact information/record feature.





May 24, 2022

Implementation of the Housing Loan Penalty Condonation Program for all housing loan borrowers, duly designated successor/s-in-interest/legal heir/s with past due housing loan obligations until June 30, 2022.

<u>July 1, 2022</u> SSS started the mandatory online filing of Retirement Benefit claims, which also covers selfemployed members aged 60 to 64 years old.

Launching of the flexible payment schedule and the Contribution Subsidy Provider Program to help ensure the social security protection of the informal economy workers and other individually paying members.