



IT Staff Augmentation Contracts (ITSAC) Portal

ITSAC Portal - Customer User Guide

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Chief Procurement Office (CPO)
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1.0 SERVICE SOLICITATION REQUEST (SSR) – CUSTOMER

The Customer ITSAC Portal will be used to post Solicitation Requests (either Request for Resumes or Statement of Work Solicitations), review details related to submitted Solicitations, cancel/withdraw the Solicitation, review candidates submitted by Vendors or Vendor SOW Responses, and ultimately Award the Solicitation and mark which candidates or Vendors were hired or selected.

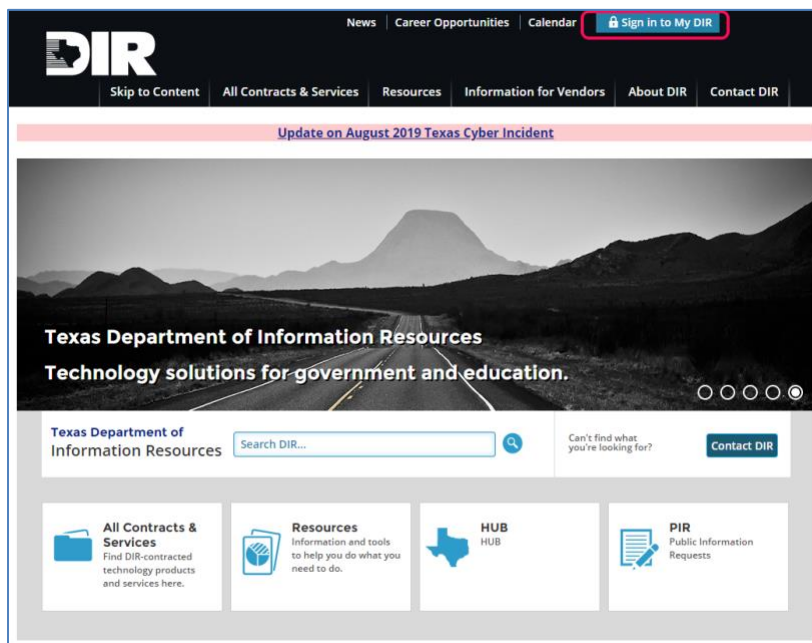
Note: Customers are encouraged to use the ITSAC Portal to help manage the Solicitation process, but may choose to do this process manually via Email.

1.1 Submitting a Request for Resumes Solicitation

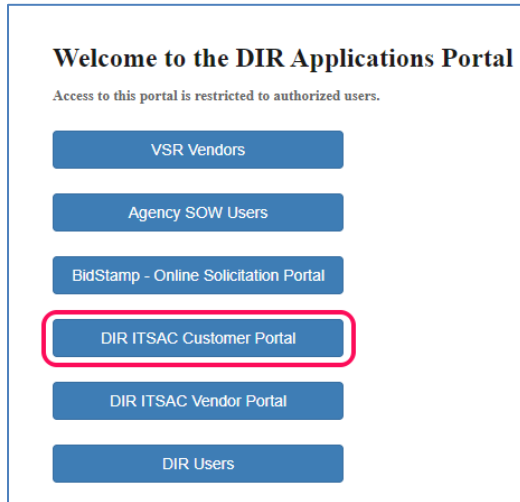
1.1.1 Open a web browser and navigate to the DIR website at <https://dir.texas.gov/>.

Note: The ITSAC Portal is optimized for Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox.

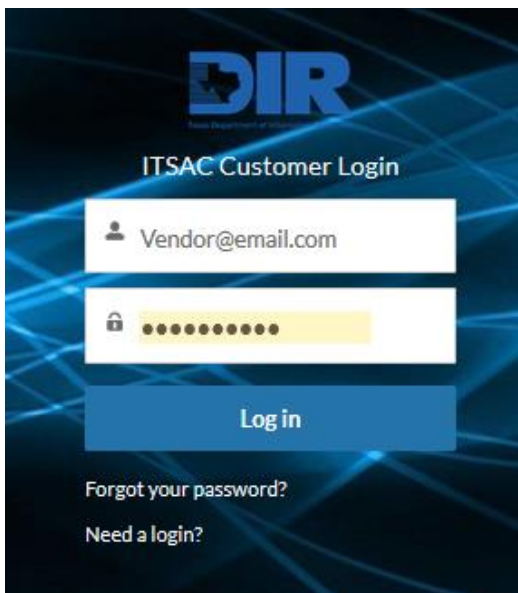
1.1.2 Click on the **Sign into My DIR** button.



1.1.3 Navigate to the DIR ITSAC Customer Portal link.



1.1.4 Log into the ITSAC Portal with your credentials.



Note: Request a temporary password by clicking on the **Forgot your password?** link. If you do not have an account, click on the **Need a Login?** button.

DIR
Texas Department of Information Resources

ITSAC Login Request Form

Enter Entity Name

Full Name

Enter job title

Enter xxx-xxx-xxxx format

Enter email

CAPTCHA:

☐ I'm not a robot

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Privacy - Terms

Submit

Enter the following information and DIR Staff will review your account request.

Note: Multiple accounts per customer are allowed and can be requested through the portal. However, users are restricted to only view solicitations that was posted by their account. If a solicitation owner needs to be transferred to a different user, contact DIR Staff at DIRStaffAugmentation@dir.texas.gov.

- 1.1.5 Once logged in, submit a new Solicitation Request by clicking on the **Submit New Request for Resumes** link.



1.1.6 New Request for Resumes Solicitation

Solicitation Details - Begin the Solicitation Request by entering the following information. Click **Next** once complete.

Note: The Solicitation Reference Number is a unique value that is created and assigned by the Customer for reference throughout the Solicitation process.

Submit ITSAC Request for Resumes Solicitation

Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

Step 4

* Solicitation Reference Number

SolicitationABC1234

* Working Title

Internal Agency Title

* Estimated Start Date

Oct 1, 2020

Estimated End Date

Oct 30, 2020

* Number of Positions Available

5

* Number of estimated hours per Worker

150

Next

Note: At any time during the process, click on the Home button to exit the Solicitation submission. Do **not** use your browser back arrow.

1.1.7 Job Details - Enter the following Job details then click Next.

Note: If the position can be done remotely, enter 'Work from Home' or 'Remote Work' in the 'Work Location' field.

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Step 2
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Step 4

* Description Of Job Duties

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Test Description of Duties

* # of Resumes Allowed per Vendor

1

Enter a number between 1-5

* Work Location (full address with zip code)

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* Work Hours Start

8:00 AM

* Work Hours End

5:00 PM

* Full Time or Part Time

☒ Full Time
 ☐ Part Time

Enter Other Special Requirements below:

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Other Special Requirements

Enter Additional Terms and Conditions below:

Note - Additional Terms and Conditions cannot contradict or weaken the ITSAC Terms and Conditions.

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Additional Terms and Conditions

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1.1.8 Job Details (cont.) – Enter the **Job Category, Title, and Level**. Refer to contract documentation under RFO 445 for detailed explanations of the following:

1.1.8.1 Defined Title – Refers to a set Category, Title, and Level with a defined Not To Exceed (NTE) Rate. For example, a Category **IT Marketing**, Title of **Customer Relationship Management (CRM)**, and Level of **Intern 2** has a NTE Hourly rate of \$29.26.

Submit ITSAC Request for Resumes Solicitation

The screenshot shows a multi-step process for submitting an ITSAC request. At the top, there is a progress bar with four steps: Step 1 (green with a checkmark), Step 2 (green with a checkmark), Step 3 (blue with the text 'Step 3'), and Step 4 (grey with the text 'Step 4'). Below the progress bar, the form contains three dropdown menus. The first dropdown is labeled 'Category *' and has 'IT Marketing' selected. The second dropdown is labeled 'Title *' and has 'Customer Relationship Manager (CRM)' selected. The third dropdown is labeled 'Level *' and has 'Customer Relationship Manager (CRM) Intern 2' selected. At the bottom right of the form, there are two buttons: 'Previous' (light blue) and 'Next' (dark blue).

Category *

IT Marketing

Title *

Customer Relationship Manager (CRM)

Level *

Customer Relationship Manager (CRM) Intern 2

Previous Next

1.1.8.2 Undefined Title – Refers to set a Category, but an Undefined Title. A Suggest Title and Suggested Rate will be required for Vendors to reference. For example, a Category of **Technical Services, Help Desk and**

Operations can have an **Undefined Title**, a Suggested Title of **Drone Operator**, and a Suggested Rate of **\$99.50**.

Submit ITSAC Request for Resumes Solicitation

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Step 3

Step 4

Category *

Technical Services, Help Desk and Operations

Title *

Undefined Title: Technical Services, Help Desk and Operations

Suggested Title * ⓘ

Drone Operator

Suggested NTE Rate * ⓘ

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Previous

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- 1.1.8.3 Specialist Level – Refers to a set Category and Title, but has a Specialist Rate because of specific skills or job duties that exceed the DIR Job Category and Title. For example, a Category of **Project Management**, Title of **Agile Scrum Master**, and a **Specialist** level. Note: The rate will be

negotiated between the Customer and Vendor and will be finalized during Award.

Submit ITSAC Request for Resumes Solicitation

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Step 3

Step 4

Category *

Project Management

Title *

Agile Scrum Master

Level *

Specialist

Previous

Next

- 1.1.9 Candidate Skills – Based on contract requirements for the job posting, add the **Required Skill(s)** and the corresponding minimum required number of Years. You may also add

any Preferred Skills with the corresponding number of years. Note – Undefined Titles and Specialist Rates do not require a defined number of years for skills.

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Step 4

The Range of Years of Experience for All Types/Levels

Candidate Skills and Experience

Warning!

Add the following skills required and/or preferred for this solicitation.
Refer to contract documentation (or link above) to determine the appropriate number of years necessary for this solicitation type and level.

Required Years *

Required Skills (255 character max) *

10

Java Programming

Remove

Add Row

Preferred Years

Preferred Skills (255 character max)

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Microsoft Certificate

Remove

Add Row

Previous

Save Draft

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✓

✓

Step 4

The Range of Years of Experience for All Types/Levels

Candidate Skills and Experience

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Required Years *

Required Skills (255 character max) *

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Java Programming

Remove

Add Row

Preferred Years

Preferred Skills (255 character max)

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Microsoft Certificate

Remove

Add Row

Previous

Save Draft

Click on the **Range of Years of Experience for All Types/Levels** for a tabledized contract reference list of Categories, Titles, Min. and Max. # of Years of Experience, and NTE Rates.

Range of Years of Experience for All Types/Levels

<div> <div>Search this list...</div> <div> <div></div> <div></div> </div> </div>				
Title & Level ↑	Min Years	Max Years	NTE Rate	
1 Agile Coach 1	1	3	\$76.26	
2 Agile Coach 2	4	7	\$121.88	
3 Agile Coach 3	8	99	\$167.65	
4 Agile Coach Intern 1	0	0	\$30.50	
5 Agile Coach Intern 2	0	0	\$45.76	

Note: Number of Years for Required or Preferred Skills must be a numeric value. For skills that do not have a numeric value (such as certificates), default to 1.

Click **Save Draft** once complete. A confirmation message will be displayed once the Solicitation has been drafted and saved. Click **Finish** to be re-directed to the Home Page.

Submit ITSAC Request for Resumes Solicitation

The draft Solicitation has been saved and available for review.

Click the Finish button below to review the Draft Solicitation and download the Solicitation documents. Click **Edit Draft** to make any final changes prior to posting.

Once complete, click **Post** to select the Vendor(s) for notification and to set a deadline date for Vendor Responses. Otherwise, click **Withdraw** to delete this draft solicitation.

Finish

Note: The Solicitation is in a **Draft** status and must be Posted with a Deadline Date before eligible vendors are notified. It is advisable for you to review the draft solicitation documents within your agency prior to posting for vendor responses.

- 1.1.10 Review Solicitation – On the ITSAC Customer Home Page, all Solicitations and their current status is displayed (see table below). Click on the **Solicitation Reference Number Link** of the draft Solicitation to review and make final edits prior to posting.

Open Solicitations							
	Solicitation ID ↑	Working Title	Status	Deadline Date	Category	Level	SSR Type
1	bad202022	Newyear2020bad	Draft		Applications/Software Develo...	Business Analyst 2	
2	baspecialist	Newyear2020	Draft		Applications/Software Develo...	Specialist	
3	jeansep17	database2	Draft			1	
4	Newyear2088	Newyear2020	Draft			Intern 2	
5	SolicitationABC123	Internal Title	Draft		Project Management	Specialist	Resume

Note: Solicitations can have the following statuses:

Solicitation Status	Description
Draft	Solicitations that have been created by the Customer but has not been posted and sent to vendors for review. A deadline date has not been set and few edits can be done prior to posting.

Solicitation Status	Description
Posted	Solicitations that have been posted and sent to vendors for review. Vendors can review and submit candidates up until the Deadline Date.
Customer Reviewing	Solicitations that have passed the Deadline Date. Customer can review all eligible candidates and begin the selection process.
Awarded	Solicitations that have been awarded by the customer and candidate(s) have been interviewed and hired.
Cancelled	Solicitations that have been cancelled by the Customer after the Solicitation has been posted.
Closed – No Response	Solicitations that have been posted and the deadline date has passed but no Candidates have been submitted by Vendors. <i>Note:</i> If you wish to re-submit a Solicitation, submit a New Solicitation with the previously used Solicitation Reference ID with a 'R' added to the end.

Selecting a Solicitation will contain three tabs: **Solicitation**, **Request Detail**, and **Candidates**.

1.1.10.1 Solicitation – This tab will contain the Word document of the Solicitation Request. Click **Download Solicitation** to save a local copy.

Note: Once the Solicitation is posted, a list of notified vendors and the corresponding contract number will appear at the bottom of this page.

 Solicitation
SolicitationABC123

[Post](#)

[Withdraw](#)

[Edit Draft](#)



[SOLICITATION](#)

[REQUEST DETAIL](#)


[CANDIDATES](#)

Download Solicitation


IT STAFFING SERVICES SOLICITATION UNDER
DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES
IT STAFF AUGMENTATION CONTRACT (ITSAC)
RFO DIR-CPO-TMP-445

Solicitation Reference Number: SolicitationABC123	Working Title: Internal Title	Title/Level: Agile Scrum Master Specialist
Category: Project Management	Full Time	NTE Rate: To Be Determined

1.1.10.2 Request Detail – Contains details regarding the Solicitation.

 Solicitation

SolicitationABC123

[Post](#) [Withdraw](#) [Edit Draft](#) 

SOLICITATION

REQUEST DETAIL

CANDIDATES

Reference Number

SolicitationABC123

Category

Project Management

Title

Agile Scrum Master

Suggested Title

Level

Specialist

NTE Rate

\$0.00

Suggested NTE

Number of Positions Available

5

Number of Estimated Hours

150

of Resumes Allowed Per Vendor

1

Work Location

123 St

Full Time or Part Time

Full Time

Working Title

Internal Title

Status

Draft

Estimated Start Date

10/1/2020

Estimated End Date

10/30/2020

Work Hours Start

8:00 AM

Work Hours End

5:00 PM

Customer Name

Williamson County

✓ Description of Duties

Description of Duties

Test Description

✓ Special Requirements


Special Requirements

Other



✓ Additional Terms and Conditions

Additional Terms and Conditions ⓘ

Additional Terms and Conditions

 Skills (2)

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	Type ↓	Years of Experience	Skills and Experience	Created By
1	Required	10	Java Programming	TestTony Tran
2	Preferred	1	Microsoft Certificate	TestTony Tran

[View All](#)

To make any edits, click on the **Edit Draft** button to launch the wizard-view for the Solicitation.

Edit Draft

Step 1 Step 2 Step 3 Step 4 Step 5

Edit Solicitation Reference Number : SolicitationABC123

* Working Title
Internal Title

* Estimated Start Date
Oct 1, 2020

Estimated End Date
Oct 30, 2020

* Number of Positions Available
5

Next

Changes will be saved on Step 5 when clicking **Save Draft**.

- 1.1.10.3 Candidates – Candidates will not be reviewable until the Solicitation has been posted, vendors have submitted candidates, and the Deadline Date has passed.

Note: You will be able to view the number of candidates that have been submitted at any time. Use this information to determine whether the solicitation deadline should be extended. This number is not final and can fluctuate at any time.

Solicitation
TDI66156

Extend Deadline Cancel Solicitation

SOLICITATION REQUEST DETAIL CANDIDATES

There are currently 3 candidates submitted for this solicitation

Candidates will not be visible until the Solicitation has been Posted and the Deadline Date has passed.
Note: number of candidates may change if candidates are disqualified.

Note: If changes need to be made to the Deadline Date after posting, navigate to the Solicitation and click on the **Extend Deadline** button. For any other changes, the Solicitation must be withdrawn or cancelled, then resubmitted. Re-submit quickly using the **Clone Solicitation** button on any Solicitation.

Extend Deadline Cancel Solicitation

IT STAFFING SERVICES SOLICITATION

Extend Deadline

Deadline Date (Must be between 3 and 15 days from today)

Next

1.1.11 Posting Solicitation – Once the Solicitation is reviewed and updated, click on the **Post** button and enter the **Deadline Date** for vendors to submit candidates. Click **Next** once complete.

Post Withdraw Edit Draft ▼

Deadline Date (Must be between 3 and 15 days from today)

Next

Note: If you are a State Agency, you will need to accept the following acknowledgement per TGC 2157.068.

[SUBMIT REQUEST FOR RESUMES](#) [SUBMIT STATEMENT OF WORK](#) [VIEW CLOSED SOLICITATIONS](#)

SOW Acknowledgement

I certify, as a State Agency Customer using the services offered under ITSAC RFO-443, that DIR has reviewed and approved this Statement of Work to be sent to eligible Vendors for response.

[I Agree](#) [Cancel](#)

TGC 2157.068 Acknowledgement

State Agency Customers (not including institutions of higher education), must adhere to the requirements of Texas Government Code 2157.068 relating to DIR Cooperative Contracts. Texas Government Code 2157.068 requires state agencies to adhere to the following purchasing thresholds:

Contract Value	Number of DIR Successful Respondents
\$50,000 or less	May award directly to WorkQuest. Otherwise, the agency must solicit a response from WorkQuest and one (1) other Contract holder.
\$50,000.01 to \$1,000,000.00	Three (3) (or all DIR Contract Holders in a category with less than three (3) Contract Holders); WorkQuest may count as one (1) and must be included.
\$1,000,000.01 to \$3 million	Six (6) (or all DIR Contract Holders in a category with less than six (6) Contract Holders); WorkQuest may count as one (1) and must be included.
More than \$3,000,000.01	Agencies must conduct an independent procurement and cannot use DIR Cooperative Contracts

By clicking [I Agree](#), you as a State Agency Customer acknowledge and agree to the thresholds outlined by TGC 2157.068.

Otherwise, click [Cancel](#) to close this window.

[I Agree](#) [Cancel](#)

Click **Next** to view a list of Vendors to post the Solicitation to.

ITSAC Contract Vendor List

Please select the contract/vendors from the list below:

☒ Select All

☒ 22nd Century Technologies, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3485)

☒ 3rd test company (DIR-CPO-8894)

☒ Abdeladim & Associates (DIR-TSO-3563)

☒ Access Sciences Corporation (DIR-TSO-3582)

☒ Ajanta Consulting, LLC (DIR-TSO-3586)

☒ Bansar Technologies Inc (DIR-TSO-3491)

☒ Cogent Data Solutions LLC (DIR-TSO-3596)

☒ Currier McCabe and Associates, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3566)

☒ Daman Consulting, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3498)

☒ Five Points and Associates, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3501)

☒ Loblolly Consulting, LLC (DIR-TSO-3510)

☒ Luke Skywalker's computer emporium (DIR-CPO-8889)

☒ PMCS Services, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3520)

☒ Rapisource LLC (DIR-TSO-3523)

☒ Test Company for IA (DIR-CPO-8888)

☒ Test Sub 1 (DIR-CPO-8895)

☒ Testforce USA Inc (DIR-CPO-8893)

☒ Validate Incorp (DIR-CPO-8891)

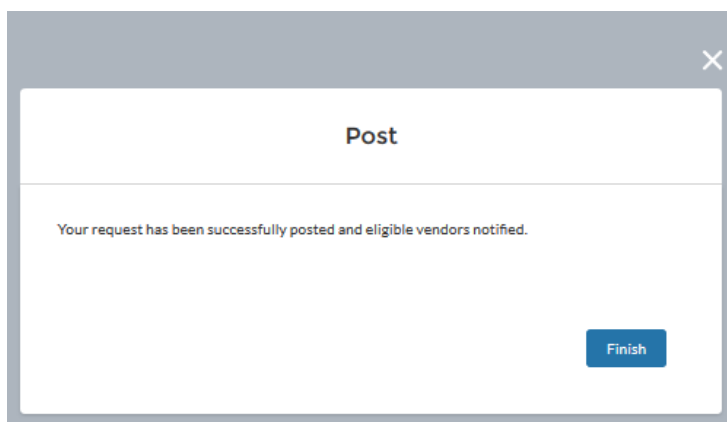
☒ WorkQuest (DIR-TSO-3503)

☒ test Jean's theory (DIR-CPO-8892)

[Save](#) [Cancel](#)

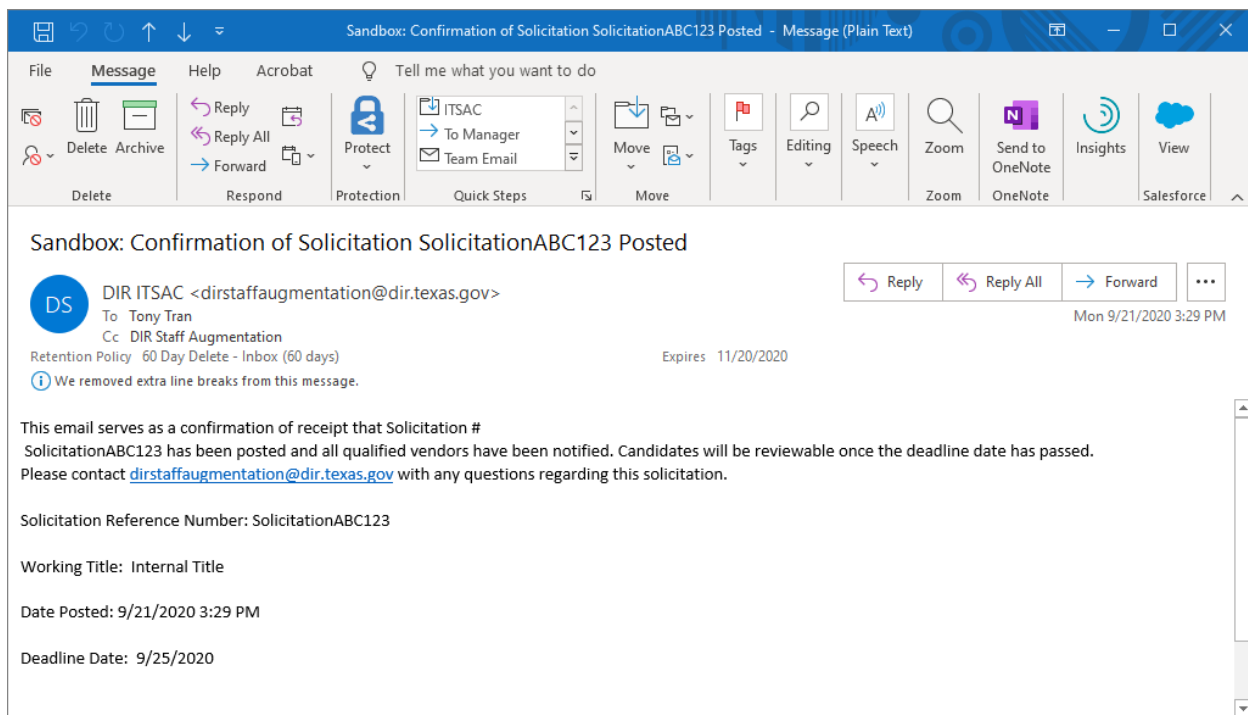
Click **Save** to post the Solicitation and allow Vendors to post Candidates.

- 1.1.12 Confirmation – The email associated with your account and chosen vendors will receive an email notification of the Solicitation posting. Click **Finish** on the confirmation message to be directed to the Home page.



Note: The Solicitation status is updated from 'Draft' to 'Posted' with a Deadline Date.

Example of Vendor Email notification:



Note: Contact your IT Department to ensure that emails coming from DIR are whitelisted and not marked as spam.

- 1.1.13 **Cancel Solicitation** – At any point after the posting of the Solicitation, Customers may cancel the Solicitation by clicking on the Solicitation link and clicking the **Cancel** button.

Extend Deadline	Cancel Solicitation	Clone Solicitation
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Provide the cancellation reason then click **Next**.

Cancel Solicitation

* Reasons for Request Cancellation

Funding Withdrawn

Funding Withdrawn

Position No Longer Needed

Other

Next

Working Title: Test Title | Level: Database Administrator 1

All eligible vendors will be notified via email of the cancellation.

1.2 Awarding a Request for Resumes Solicitation

At 5:00 PM (Central Time) on the Deadline Date, vendors will no longer be able to submit candidates and the Solicitation will be reviewable for award. Customers will be able to review the submitted candidates and begin reaching out to selected vendors for negotiations, and possible Award

- 1.2.1 Navigate to the **DIR ITSAC Customer Portal Home Page**. Solicitations that have passed the deadline date will have a status of 'Customer Reviewing'. On the Home Page, click on the **Solicitation Reference Number** to begin reviewing candidates.

Open Solicitations							
Solicitation ID	Working Title	Status	Deadline Date	Category	Level	SSR Type	
1 at8888	cloud drifter	Customer Reviewing	2020-08-22	Applications/Software Develo...	Cloud Solutions Architect 1	Resume	
2 DIRSpecialistTest123	Specialist Test	Customer Reviewing	2020-09-20	IT Marketing	Specialist	Resume	
3 DIRUndefinedTest123	Undefined Test	Customer Reviewing	2020-09-20	IT Marketing		Resume	
4 Thresholdsforresumes	Thresholdsforresumes	Customer Reviewing	2020-08-22	Information Technology Servic...	Process Improvement Manage...	Resume	

1.2.2 Click on the **Candidates** tab to view a list of candidates that were submitted by vendors.

Note: If the Solicitation deadline has passed and no candidates were submitted, the Solicitation will have a status of 'Closed – No Responses'. If you choose to re-submit the Solicitation, you must a New Solicitation Request. Expedite this step by cloning the solicitation to re-submit the draft.

Solicitation

DIRTestTrain123

Award Solicitation

Cancel Solicitation

Clone Solicitation

SOLICITATION

REQUEST DETAIL

CANDIDATES

Candidate List

All Resumes

Selected Resumes

Selected Rows: 0

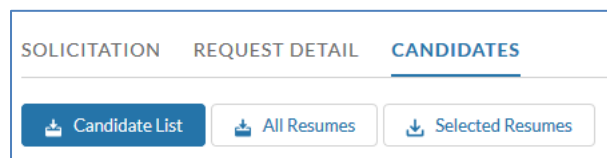
<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments	Candidate ID	Full Name	Skills	Vendor Information	DIR Contract Nu...	Date of Avail...	Availability Status	Sub...	Resume
<input type="checkbox"/>	<div><div></div></div>	Cand-0432	Craig Myers	Skills	Daman Consulting, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3498	2020-09-28	Underqualified - Years	\$70.00	Projects
<input type="checkbox"/>	<div><div></div></div>	Cand-0433	Kenneth Myers	Skills	Daman Consulting, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3498	2020-09-28	Available	\$70.00	Open Items_Salesforce

Descriptions of each column in the Candidates screen.

Candidate Table Field	Description
Checkbox	Used to select individual candidates to download a subset of candidate resumes.
Comments	Contains comments related to the candidate added by the Vendor. Customers can also add comments that will only be displayed to the customer. <i>Note:</i> Any comment added can be subject to public information requests.
Candidate ID	Unique ID for the candidate. Click on this link to access more detail on the candidate.
Full Name	Candidate's Full Name (First + Last Name)
Skills	Contains the skills added by the vendor.
Vendor Information	Contact Information of the vendor that submitted the candidate.

Candidate Table Field	Description
DIR Contract Number	Contract number that the vendor is associated with.
Date of Availability	Date that the candidate is available to begin working.
Availability Status	<p><u>Available</u> – Candidate is cleared and available.</p> <p><u>Withdrawn</u> – Candidate was removed by the vendor and no longer available. Resumes will not be available for these candidates.</p> <p>*<u>Underqualified - Years</u> – Candidate did not meet the minimum number of required years as set per the solicitation request.</p> <p>*<u>Possible Duplicate</u> – Candidate was possibly added by multiple Vendors and is a potential duplicate.</p> <p><u>Hired</u> – Candidate is marked as Hired by the Customer when Solicitation is awarded.</p> <p>* Note - Although these statuses do not disqualify a Candidate from being reviewed and awarded, the status will inform you as the Customer of a Candidate's viability.</p>
Hourly Rate	Cost per hour for the candidate.
Resume	Hyperlink to download the PDF uploaded for the candidate.

1.2.2.1 Candidate List - Click on the **Candidate List** button to download an Excel spreadsheet of all candidates submitted with detailed information.



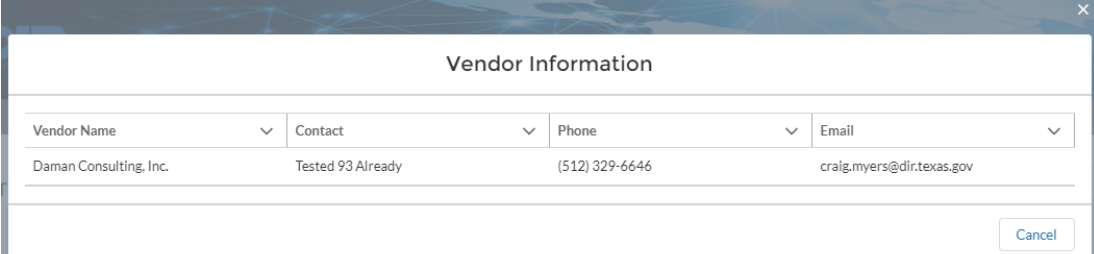
1.2.2.2

Download Resumes – Resumes can be downloaded in a variety of ways:

- All resumes of available candidates can be downloaded by clicking the **All Resumes** button (ZIP file containing all available resumes)
Note – If more than 50 candidate resumes are available, multiple zip files will be created.
- Select candidate resumes can be downloaded by selecting each candidate in the checkbox column and clicking the **Selected Resumes** button
- Clicking individual links for each candidate in the Resume column.

1.2.2.3

Vendor Information – Click on the **Vendor Information** link to view contact information for the vendor.



The screenshot shows a web form titled "Vendor Information" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The form contains four input fields with dropdown arrows: "Vendor Name", "Contact", "Phone", and "Email". Below these fields, the following information is displayed: "Daman Consulting, Inc." under Vendor Name, "Tested 93 Already" under Contact, "(512) 329-6646" under Phone, and "craig.myers@dir.texas.gov" under Email. A "Cancel" button is located at the bottom right of the form.

Vendor Name	Contact	Phone	Email
Daman Consulting, Inc.	Tested 93 Already	(512) 329-6646	craig.myers@dir.texas.gov

Reach out to potential vendors to begin interviewing candidates and negotiations. Note: Rates can be further negotiated during this phase. A final negotiated rate must be entered to close out the solicitation.

1.2.2.4 Candidate Details – Click on the **Candidate ID** to view Additional Details for the candidate.

First Name Craig	Is Candidate being Subcontracted? <input type="checkbox"/>
Last Name Myers	Subcontracted Vendor Name
Availability Status Underqualified - Years	Percent Subcontracted
Date of Availability 9/28/2020	Subcontract HUB Type ⓘ
# Estimated Hours 2,000	Vendor HUB Type ⓘ AS/M
Hourly Rate \$70.00	Vendor Comments ⓘ
Hourly Total \$140,000.00	Customer Comments ⓘ
Final Negotiated Rate	
Vendor Contact Name Tested 93 Already	
Email craig.myers@dir.texas.gov	
Phone (512) 329-6646	
Category Project Management	

1.2.2.5 Candidate Skills – Click on the **Skills** button to view the skills provided by the vendor.

Candidate Skills					
Requested Years	▼	Candidate Years	▼	Skill Type	▼
3		3		Required	Technical Writing
5		5		Required	Telecom Setup
Cancel					

1.2.3 Cancel Solicitation – At any time, Customers can cancel the Solicitation Request. All eligible vendors will receive a notification of cancellation.

Award Solicitation	Cancel Solicitation
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Provide the reason why the Solicitation was cancelled. Click **Next** to Confirm.

Cancel Solicitation

* Reasons for Request Cancellation

Funding Withdrawn

Funding Withdrawn

Position No Longer Needed

Other

Next

1.2.4 Award Solicitation – Click on the **Award Solicitation** button once candidate(s) have been selected for hiring.

Note: Awarding the Solicitation will close out the Solicitation and no further actions can be done. Only proceed with this step once **all** Purchase Orders have been completed and candidates have been selected for award.

Award Solicitation Cancel Solicitation

After clicking Award, a confirmation message will appear.

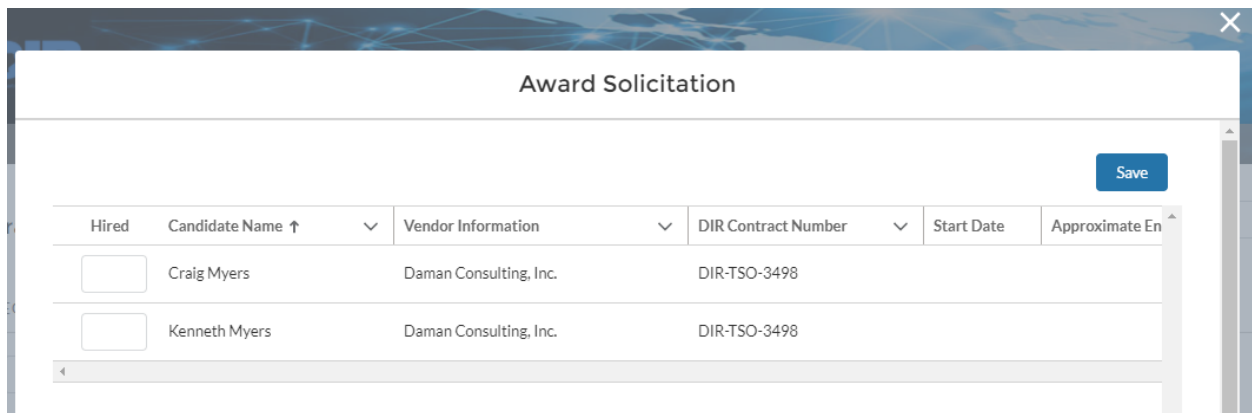
Award Solicitation

Awarding the Solicitation will close out the solicitation and notify eligible vendors.

Click Continue to mark candidates as hired, or SOW responses as awarded. Otherwise click 'X' to return to the Candidates/SOW Responses screen.

Continue

Click **Continue**. Click on the Hired column to enter details for each Candidate chosen.



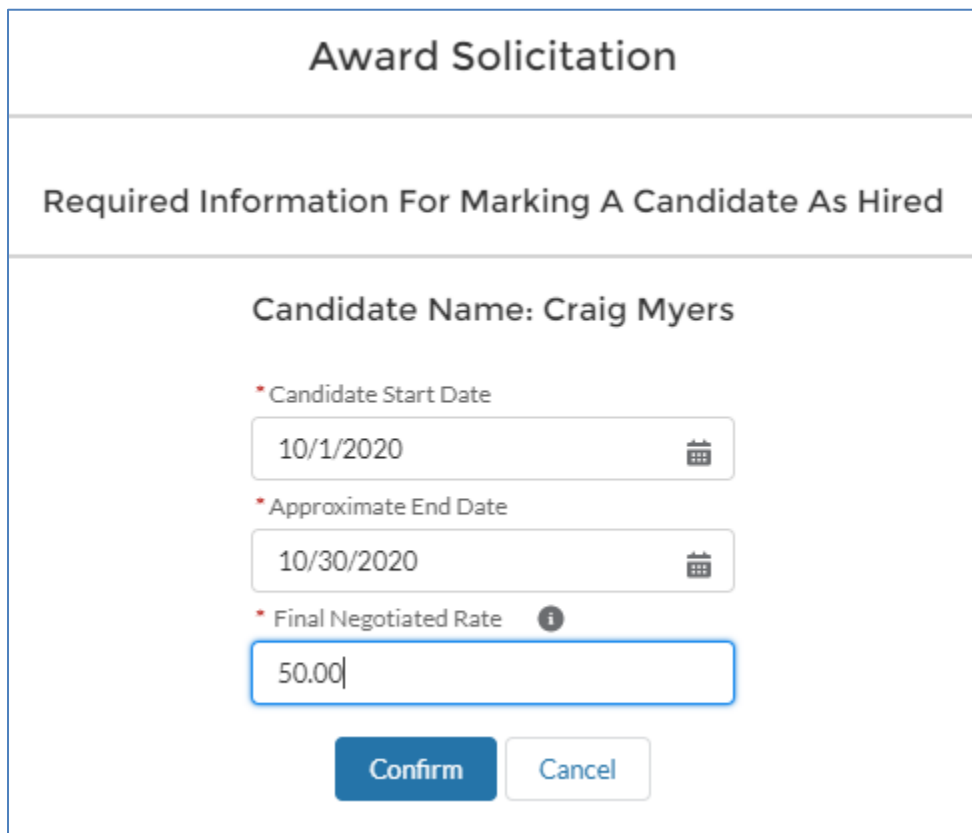
Award Solicitation

Save

Hired	Candidate Name ↑	Vendor Information	DIR Contract Number	Start Date	Approximate End Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	Craig Myers	Daman Consulting, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3498		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kenneth Myers	Daman Consulting, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3498		

Add the Candidate Start Date, Approximate End Date, and Final Negotiated Rate.

Note: If you are awarding an Undefined Title, a Final Negotiated Title must be provided.



Award Solicitation

Required Information For Marking A Candidate As Hired

Candidate Name: Craig Myers

* Candidate Start Date

10/1/2020

* Approximate End Date

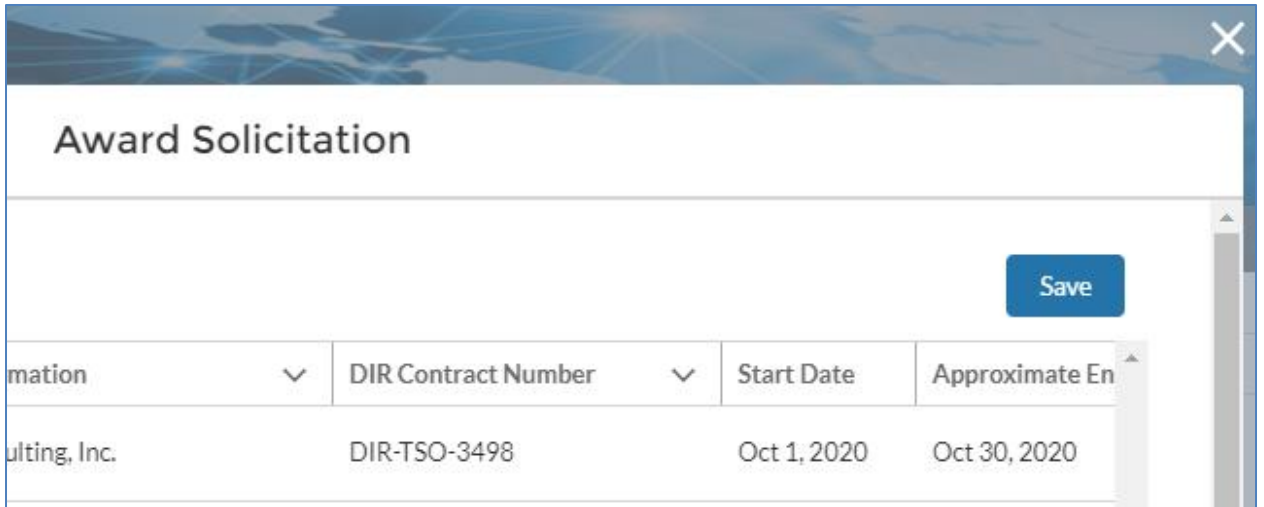
10/30/2020

* Final Negotiated Rate ⓘ

50.00

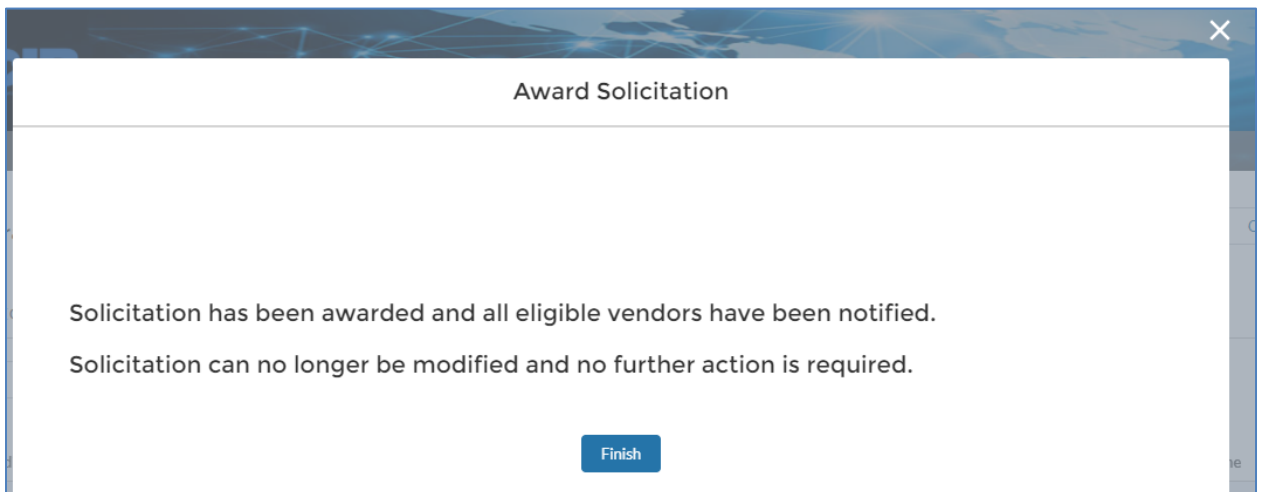
Confirm Cancel

Click on the Save button once all Candidates have been updated. The Solicitation will be closed and eligible vendors will be notified via email.

A screenshot of a web application window titled "Award Solicitation". The window has a blue header bar with a close button (X) in the top right corner. Below the header, there is a large white rectangular area. To the right of this area is a blue button labeled "Save". Below the "Save" button is a table with four columns: "Information", "DIR Contract Number", "Start Date", and "Approximate End Date". The first row of the table contains the following data: "Consulting, Inc.", "DIR-TSO-3498", "Oct 1, 2020", and "Oct 30, 2020".

Information	DIR Contract Number	Start Date	Approximate End Date
Consulting, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3498	Oct 1, 2020	Oct 30, 2020

Confirmation message appears:

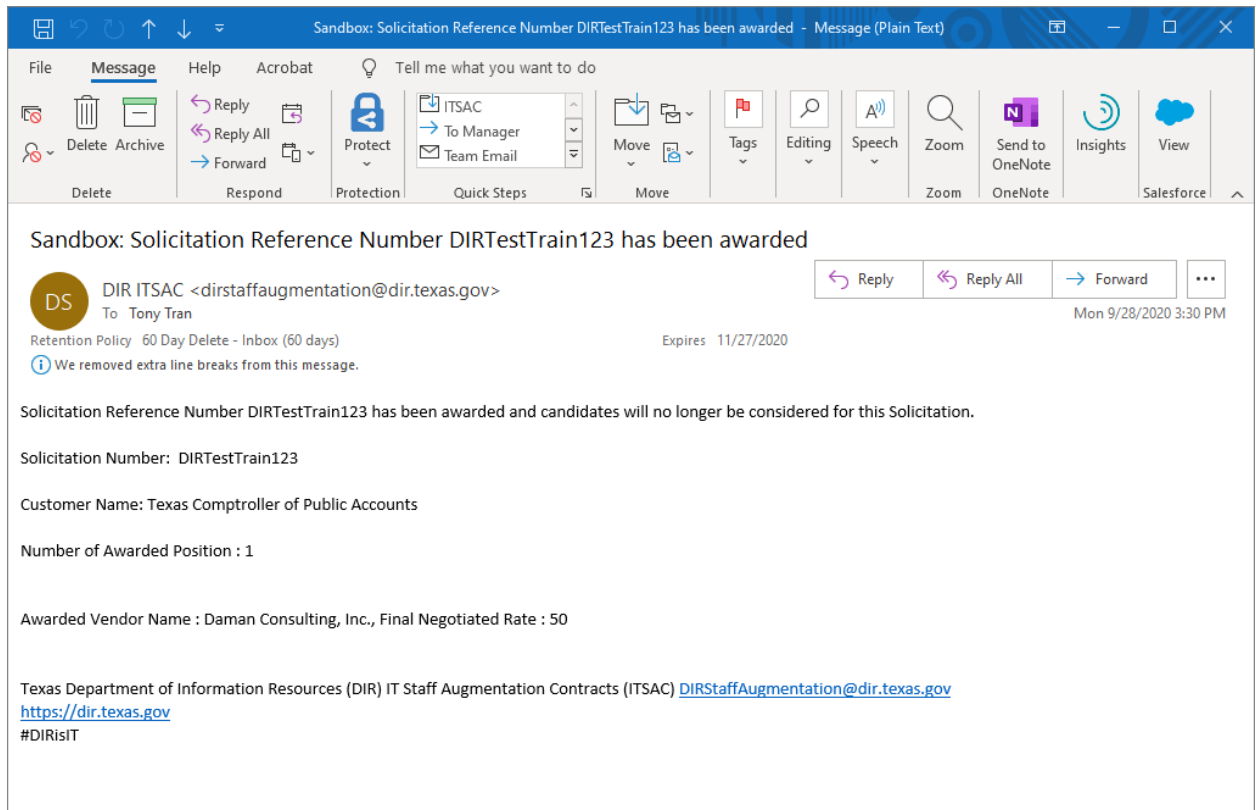
A screenshot of a web application window titled "Award Solicitation". The window has a blue header bar with a close button (X) in the top right corner. Below the header, there is a large white rectangular area. In the center of this area, there is a confirmation message. At the bottom of the white area is a blue button labeled "Finish".

Award Solicitation

Solicitation has been awarded and all eligible vendors have been notified.
Solicitation can no longer be modified and no further action is required.

Finish

An email will be sent to all eligible Vendors of the Solicitation Award:



1.3 Submitting a Statement of Work (SOW) Solicitation

Customers will be able to submit Statement of Works (SOW) to Vendors to propose solutions regarding IT Staff Augmentation Contracts. SOW examples may include staff on retainer over a period of time, a proposal of a team of different titles and positions to address an upcoming project, etc.

1.3.1 Log into the ITSAC Customer Portal. On the banner, click on **Submit Statement of Work**.



1.3.2 Enter the SOW details then click Next.

Submit New Statement Of Work

* Solicitation Reference Number

TestSOWSolicitation

* Working/Project Title

Customer Project

Estimated Start Date

Oct 1, 2020

Estimated End Date

Oct 30, 2021

* Description/Scope

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Project Scope|

Next

1.3.3 Upload any documents associated with the SOW for Vendors to review. Click Next.

Submit New Statement Of Work

Instructions for Uploading SOW Documents

1. Allowed file extensions: .pdf, .doc, .docx, .xls, .xlsx
2. Maximum allowed file size for upload: 100 MB
3. Maximum numbers of files allowed for upload: 20
4. File naming convention rule: Do not use special characters such as ~ ! @ # \$ % ^ & * () ` ; < > ? , [] { } ' " / \ |

Upload SOW Documents Here

Please note: You can upload more than one document at a time.



Upload Files

Or drop files

Test SOW Document.docx X

Next

* You must upload at least one file to continue

- 1.3.4 Confirmation Message – The SOW has been drafted and is ready for review. Click Finish to return to the Home Screen.


Submit New Statement Of Work

The solicitation has been drafted and saved.

Please review and make any final changes on the Request Details tab. Once complete, click on the Post button to notify eligible vendors.

Finish

- 1.3.5 Once your agency has reviewed the draft, you may post it to eligible Vendors. Locate the Solicitation in Draft Status and click the Solicitation ID. You will be taken to the Solicitation Detail page.

 Solicitation
TestSOWSolicitation

Edit DraftPostWithdraw

SOW DETAILS

SOW RESPONSES

Information

Reference Number
TestSOWSolicitation

Estimated Start Date
10/1/2020

Estimated End Date
10/30/2021


Status
Draft

Working Title
Customer Project

Customer Name
Williamson County

Description/Scope

SOW Scope
Project Scope

 Solicitation SOW Documents

Upload Files

Document Name	Action
1 TestSOW Document	Delete

1.3.6 Review the details. If an edit is required, click on the 'Edit Draft' button.

Edit Draft

* Working/Project Title
Customer Project

Estimated Start Date
Oct 1, 2020

Estimated End Date
Oct 30, 2021

* Description/Scope

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Project Scope

Next

If files need to be edited, click on the Upload Files button or Delete button under Solicitation SOW Documents.

Solicitation SOW Documents		Upload Files
Document Name	Action	
1 Test SOW Document	Delete	

You may also withdraw the Solicitation and no Vendors will be notified.


- 1.3.7 Click the Post button to select Vendors for notification. Set a deadline date for Vendors to provide responses.

* Deadline Date (Must be between 3 and 15 days from today)



Next

Note: For State Agency Customers (not including Higher Education), SOWs must be reviewed by DIR prior to posting to Vendors and must adhere to all guidelines under Texas Government Code 2157.068.

 SUBMIT REQUEST FOR RESUMES SUBMIT STATEMENT OF WORK VIEW CLOSED SOLICITATIONS

SOW Acknowledgement

I certify, as a State Agency Customer using the services offered under ITSAC RFO-443, that DIR has reviewed and approved this Statement of Work to be sent to eligible Vendors for response.

I Agree Cancel

TGC 2157.068 Acknowledgement

State Agency Customers (not including institutions of higher education), must adhere to the requirements of Texas Government Code 2157.068 relating to DIR Cooperative Contracts. Texas Government Code 2157.068 requires state agencies to adhere to the following purchasing thresholds:

Contract Value	Number of DIR Successful Respondents
\$50,000 or less	May award directly to WorkQuest. Otherwise, the agency must solicit a response from WorkQuest and one (1) other Contract holder.
\$50,000.01 to \$1,000,000.00	Three (3) (or all DIR Contract Holders in a category with less than three (3) Contract Holders); WorkQuest may count as one (1) and must be included.
\$1,000,000.01 to \$5 million	Six (6) (or all DIR Contract Holders in a category with less than six (6) Contract Holders); WorkQuest may count as one (1) and must be included.
More than \$5,000,000.01	Agencies must conduct an independent procurement and cannot use DIR Cooperative Contracts

By clicking I Agree, you as a State Agency Customer acknowledge and agree to the thresholds outlined by TGC 2157.068.

Otherwise, click Cancel to close this window.

I Agree Cancel

1.3.8 Select the eligible Vendors to send the SOW Solicitation. Click Finish and notifications will be sent.

ITSAC Contract Vendor List

Please select the contract/vendors from the list below:

☒ Select All

☒ 22nd Century Technologies, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3485)

☒ 3rd test company (DIR-CPO-8894)

☒ Abdeladim & Associates (DIR-TSO-3563)

☒ Access Sciences Corporation (DIR-TSO-3582)

☒ Ajanta Consulting, LLC (DIR-TSO-3586)

☒ Bansar Technologies Inc (DIR-TSO-3491)

☒ Cogent Data Solutions LLC (DIR-TSO-3596)

☒ Currier McCabe and Associates, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3566)

☒ Daman Consulting, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3498)

☒ Five Points and Associates, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3501)

☒ Loblolly Consulting, LLC (DIR-TSO-3510)

☒ Luke Skywalker's computer emporium (DIR-CPO-8889)

☒ PMCS Services, Inc. (DIR-TSO-3520)

☒ Rapisource LLC (DIR-TSO-3523)

☒ Test Company for IA (DIR-CPO-8888)

☒ Test Sub 1 (DIR-CPO-8895)

☒ Testforce USA Inc (DIR-CPO-8893)

☒ Validate Incorp (DIR-CPO-8891)

☒ WorkQuest (DIR-TSO-3503)

☒ test Jean's theory (DIR-CPO-8892)

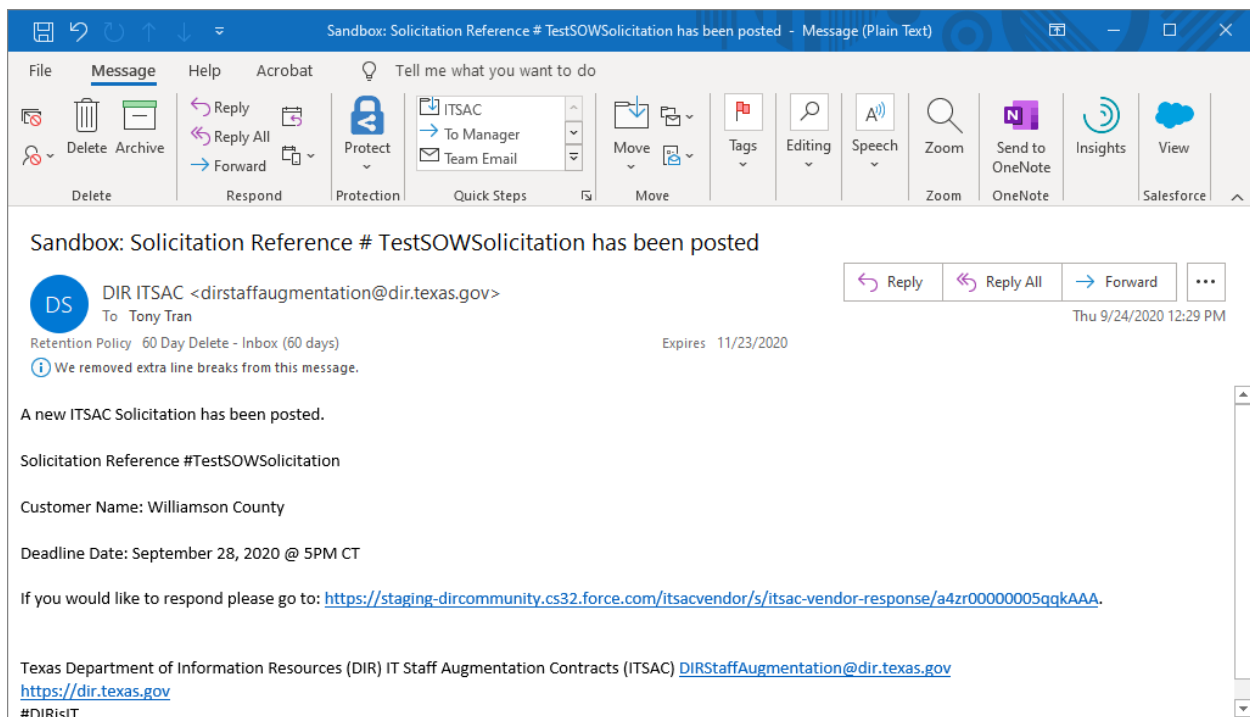
Save

Cancel

Your request has been successfully posted and eligible vendors notified.

Finish

Email Notification:



Once the deadline date has passed, check the SOW Response tab to begin review. If more time is desired for Vendor submissions, click on the Extend Deadline button.

At any time, you may Cancel the Solicitation and all eligible Vendors will be notified.







1.4 Awarding a Statement of Work (SOW) Solicitation

Once the deadline date for a posted SOW Solicitation has passed, Customers may access the portal to review submissions. Reach out to potential vendors and begin negotiations for Award. Use the Portal to Award the SOW and close the Solicitation.


- 1.4.1 Once the deadline date has passed at 5:00 PM Central, the Solicitation Status will change to 'Customer Reviewing'.

16	TTest08182020	Test SOW	Customer Reviewing	2020-09-04	SOW
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Click on the Solicitation ID of the Solicitation in the 'Customer Reviewing' Status. This will bring you to the Solicitation Details page.

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 Solicitation
TTest08182020

[Cancel Solicitation](#) [Award Solicitation](#)

[SOW DETAILS](#) [SOW RESPONSES](#)

Information

Reference Number
TTest08182020

Estimated Start Date
9/7/2020

Estimated End Date
9/28/2020

Deadline Date
9/4/2020

Posted Date
9/1/2020 10:33 AM

Working Title
Test SOW

Status
Customer Reviewing


Customer Name
Williamson County

of Selected Contracts
19


SOW Responses Submitted
1

Description/Scope

SOW Scope
Test SOW Description


 Solicitation SOW Documents

	Document Name
1	TEX-AN Service Agreement
2	Texas HHS _Google Cloud Platform Pilot Assessment Plan_Data Analytics_6,4,20

 ITSAC Selected Contracts

	DIR Contract	Vendor Name
1	DIR-TSO-3485	22nd Century Technologies, Inc.
2	DIR-TSO-3563	Abdeladim & Associates
3	DIR-CPO-8894	3rd test company
4	DIR-TSO-3501	Five Points and Associates, Inc.
5	DIR-TSO-3588	Ardent Technologies, Inc.
6	DIR-TSO-3566	Currier McCabe and Associates, Inc.
7	DIR-TSO-3498	Daman Consulting, Inc.
8	DIR-TSO-3510	Loblolly Consulting, LLC
9	DIR-TSO-3491	Bansar Technologies Inc
10	DIR-CPO-8889	Luke Skywalker's computer emporium
11	DIR-TSO-3520	PMCS Services, Inc.
12	DIR-TSO-3619	Prolim Global Corporation
13	DIR-TSO-3577	TEKsystems, Inc.
14	DIR-CPO-8888	Test Company for IA
15	DIR-CPO-8893	Testforce USA Inc
16	DIR-CPO-8891	Validate Incorp
17	DIR-TSO-3503	WorkQuest
18	DIR-CPO-8892	test Jean's theory
19	DIR-TSO-3596	Cogent Data Solutions LLC



- 1.4.2 Click on the SOW Response tab to view all Vendor responses. Click on either the SOW Response ID link or the Download buttons to review responses.

 Solicitation
TTest08182020



SOW DETAILS **SOW RESPONSES**

[SOW Response List](#) [All SOW Response Documents](#) [Selected SOW Response Documents](#)


Selected Rows: 0

<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments	SOW Response ID	Contract Number	Vendor Information
<input type="checkbox"/>		SOW-0000101	DIR-TSO-3485	22nd Century Technologies, Inc.
<input type="checkbox"/>		SOW-0000102	DIR-TSO-3498	Daman Consulting, Inc.

- 1.4.3 Click on the SOW Response ID to view more details and view documents.


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 SOW Response
SOW-0000102

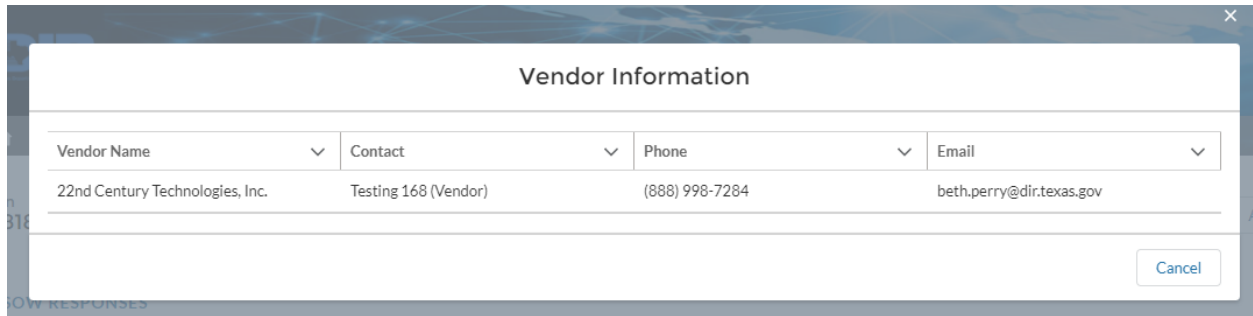
SOW Response Name SOW-0000102	Owner Craig Vendor Test
Solicitation Response TTest08182020	Status Submitted
Solicitation Reference Number TTest08182020	Record Type Submitted
Solicitation TTest08182020	Vendor Daman Consulting, Inc.
Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/>	
Contract Start Date	
Approximate End Date	
Customer Comments	

Files (1) [Add Files](#)

Title	Owner	Last Modified	Size
 SOW 4	Craig Vendor Test	9/4/2020 9:51 AM	57KB

[View All](#)

1.4.4 Retrieve Vendor contact information by clicking on the Vendor Name.



A dialog box titled "Vendor Information" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. It contains a table with four columns: Vendor Name, Contact, Phone, and Email. Each column has a dropdown arrow. The table displays the following information:

Vendor Name	Contact	Phone	Email
22nd Century Technologies, Inc.	Testing 168 (Vendor)	(888) 998-7284	beth.perry@dir.texas.gov

A "Cancel" button is located at the bottom right of the dialog box.

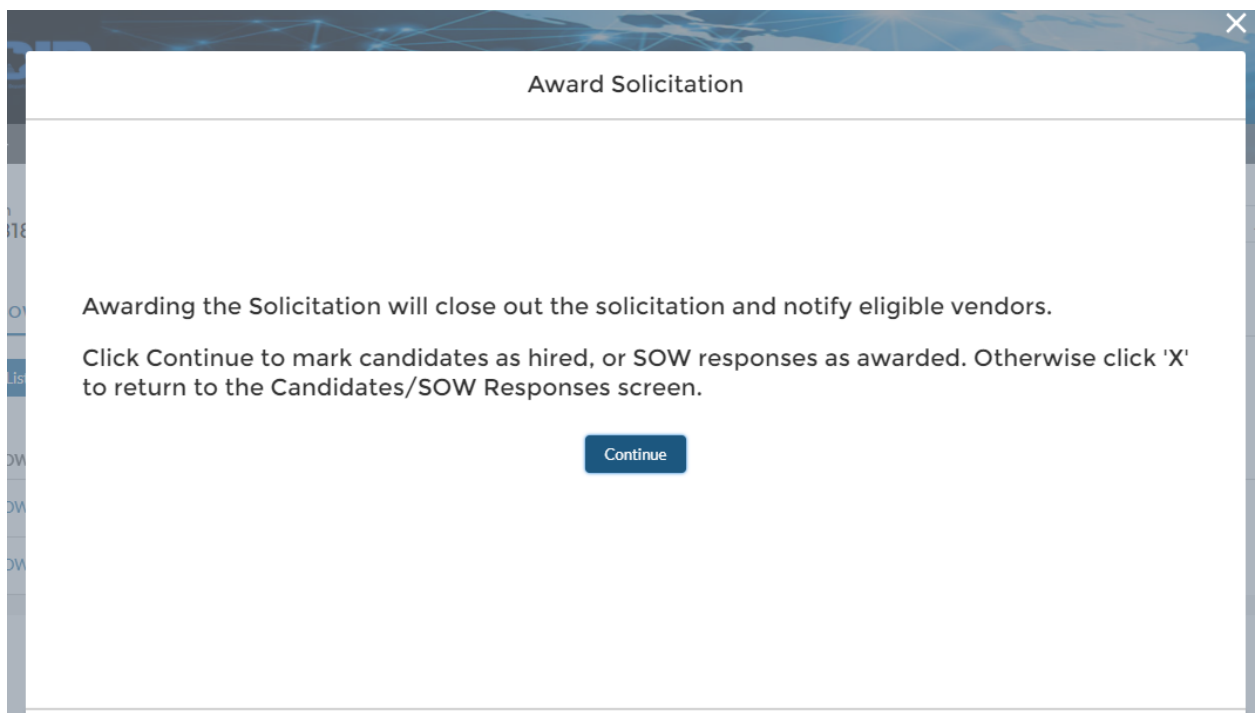
Reach out to vendors and begin negotiations.

1.4.5 To begin the Award process for a selected Vendor or Vendors, click on the **Award** button.

Note: You may cancel a Solicitation at any time.



Two buttons are displayed side-by-side: "Cancel Solicitation" and "Award Solicitation". Both buttons have a blue gradient and rounded corners.



A dialog box titled "Award Solicitation" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The dialog contains the following text:

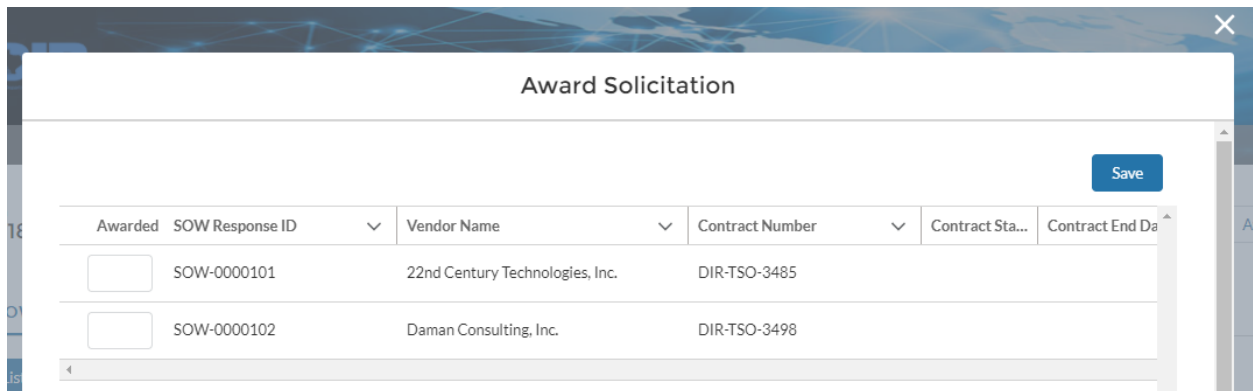
Awarding the Solicitation will close out the solicitation and notify eligible vendors.

Click Continue to mark candidates as hired, or SOW responses as awarded. Otherwise click 'X' to return to the Candidates/SOW Responses screen.

A "Continue" button is located at the bottom center of the dialog box.

Note: State Agencies must review all final SOW documents prior to Award.

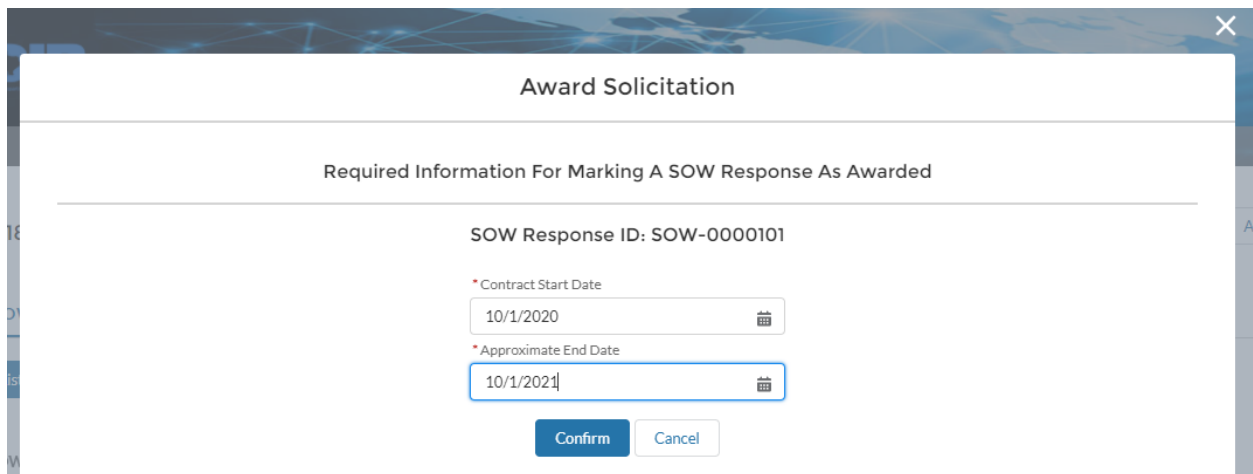
- 1.4.6 A list of notified Vendors will appear. Click on the Awarded column for each vendor that was Awarded the SOW solicitation.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Award Solicitation". It contains a table with the following columns: "Awarded", "SOW Response ID", "Vendor Name", "Contract Number", "Contract Sta...", and "Contract End Da". There are two rows of data. The first row has an empty checkbox in the "Awarded" column, "SOW-0000101" in the "SOW Response ID" column, "22nd Century Technologies, Inc." in the "Vendor Name" column, and "DIR-TSO-3485" in the "Contract Number" column. The second row has an empty checkbox in the "Awarded" column, "SOW-0000102" in the "SOW Response ID" column, "Daman Consulting, Inc." in the "Vendor Name" column, and "DIR-TSO-3498" in the "Contract Number" column. A "Save" button is located in the top right corner of the dialog box.

Awarded	SOW Response ID	Vendor Name	Contract Number	Contract Sta...	Contract End Da
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOW-0000101	22nd Century Technologies, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3485		
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOW-0000102	Daman Consulting, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3498		

You will be asked to enter Contract Start and approximate End Dates.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Award Solicitation". It contains a section titled "Required Information For Marking A SOW Response As Awarded". Below this section, it says "SOW Response ID: SOW-0000101". There are two required fields: "Contract Start Date" with a value of "10/1/2020" and "Approximate End Date" with a value of "10/1/2021". Both fields have calendar icons. At the bottom, there are "Confirm" and "Cancel" buttons.

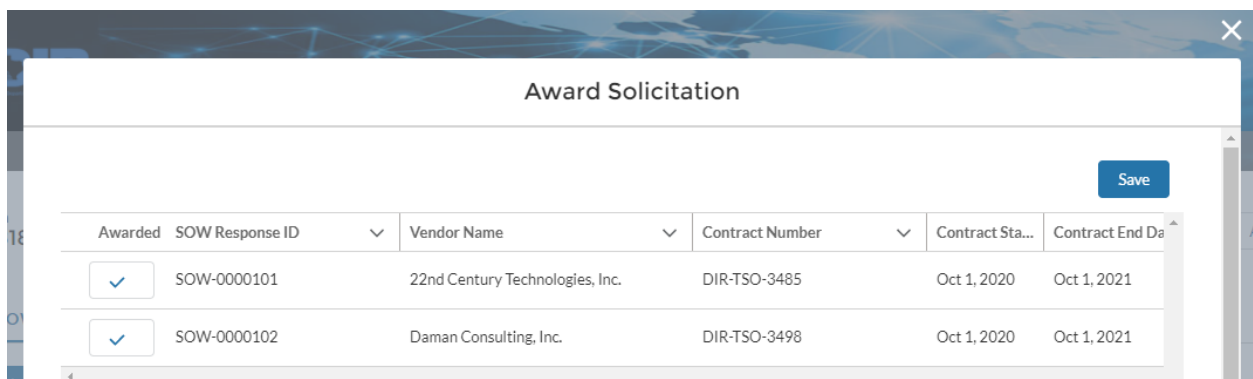
SOW Response ID: SOW-0000101

* Contract Start Date
10/1/2020

* Approximate End Date
10/1/2021

Confirm Cancel

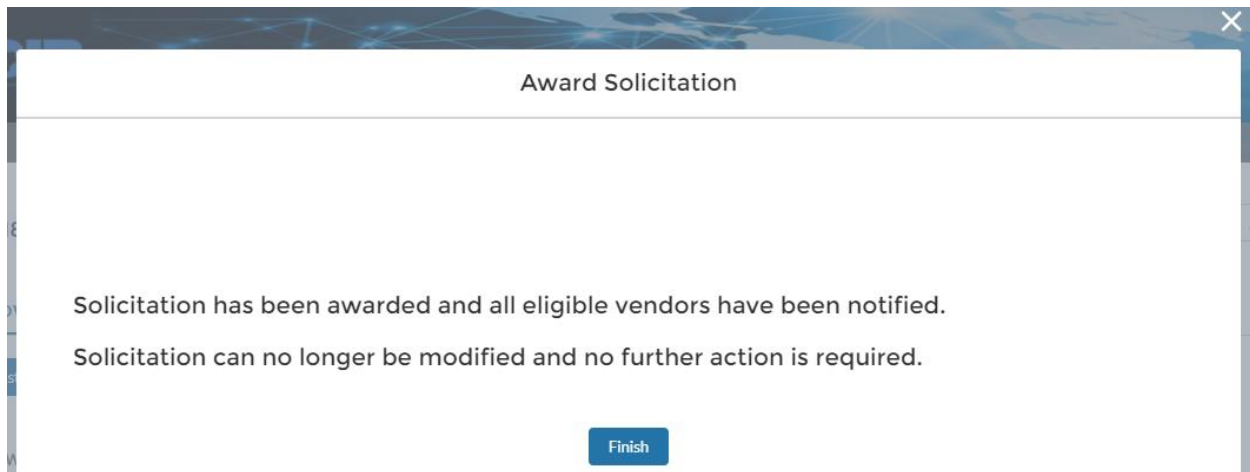
Once all vendors have been selected, click Save to Award and close the Solicitation.



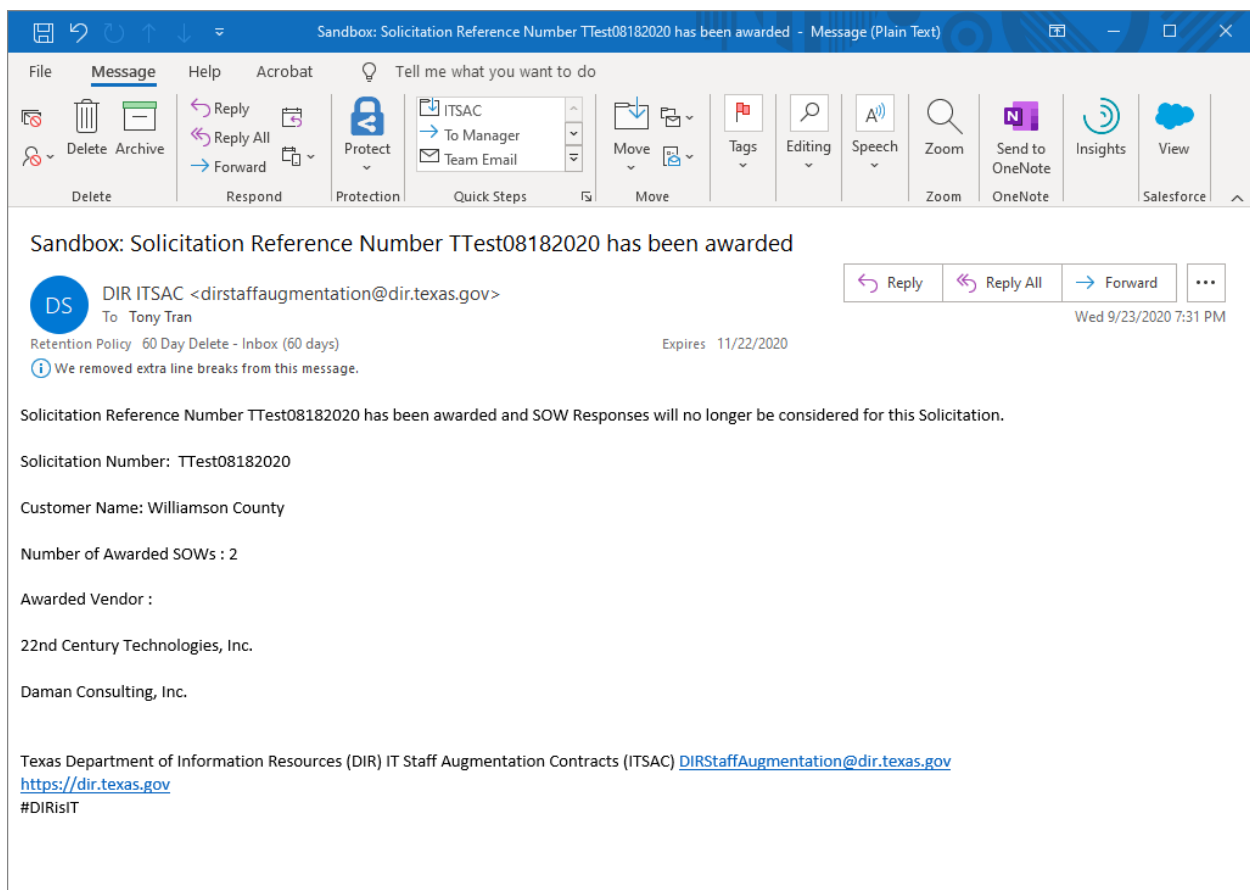
The screenshot shows the same "Award Solicitation" dialog box as before, but now the checkboxes in the "Awarded" column for both vendors are checked. The "Contract Sta..." and "Contract End Da" columns now contain dates: "Oct 1, 2020" and "Oct 1, 2021" for both vendors. The "Save" button is still in the top right corner.

Awarded	SOW Response ID	Vendor Name	Contract Number	Contract Sta...	Contract End Da
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SOW-0000101	22nd Century Technologies, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3485	Oct 1, 2020	Oct 1, 2021
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SOW-0000102	Daman Consulting, Inc.	DIR-TSO-3498	Oct 1, 2020	Oct 1, 2021

A confirmation message will appear:



All eligible Vendors will receive an email notification that the Solicitation has been closed.



1.5 Cloning a Request for Resumes Solicitation

Any Request for Resumes Solicitation posted in the Portal for RFO 445 may be cloned at any time to expedite the Solicitation process. SOW Solicitations cannot be cloned.

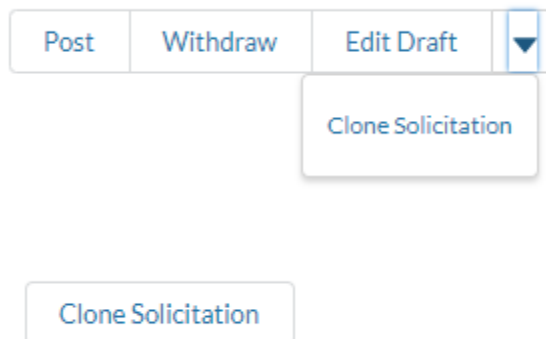
- 1.5.1 Locate an Open Solicitation (on the Home Page) or a Closed Solicitation (on the View Closed Solicitation Tab) and click on the Solicitation ID.

Open Solicitations			
	Solicitation ID ↓	Working Title	Status
1	workinghours	databasenew	Draft
2	WilliamTest030502	TW	Reviewing Resumes
3	TTest08282020C	Edit Test 2	Draft
4	TTest08252020	Undefined to Defined	Draft
5	TTest08242020	Test SOW Title	Draft
6	TTest08182020B	Test Title	Draft
7	TTest08172020C	Test Title	Draft

Note: Any open Solicitation, regardless of status, may be Cloned. Only closed solicitations posted under RFO 445 may be cloned.

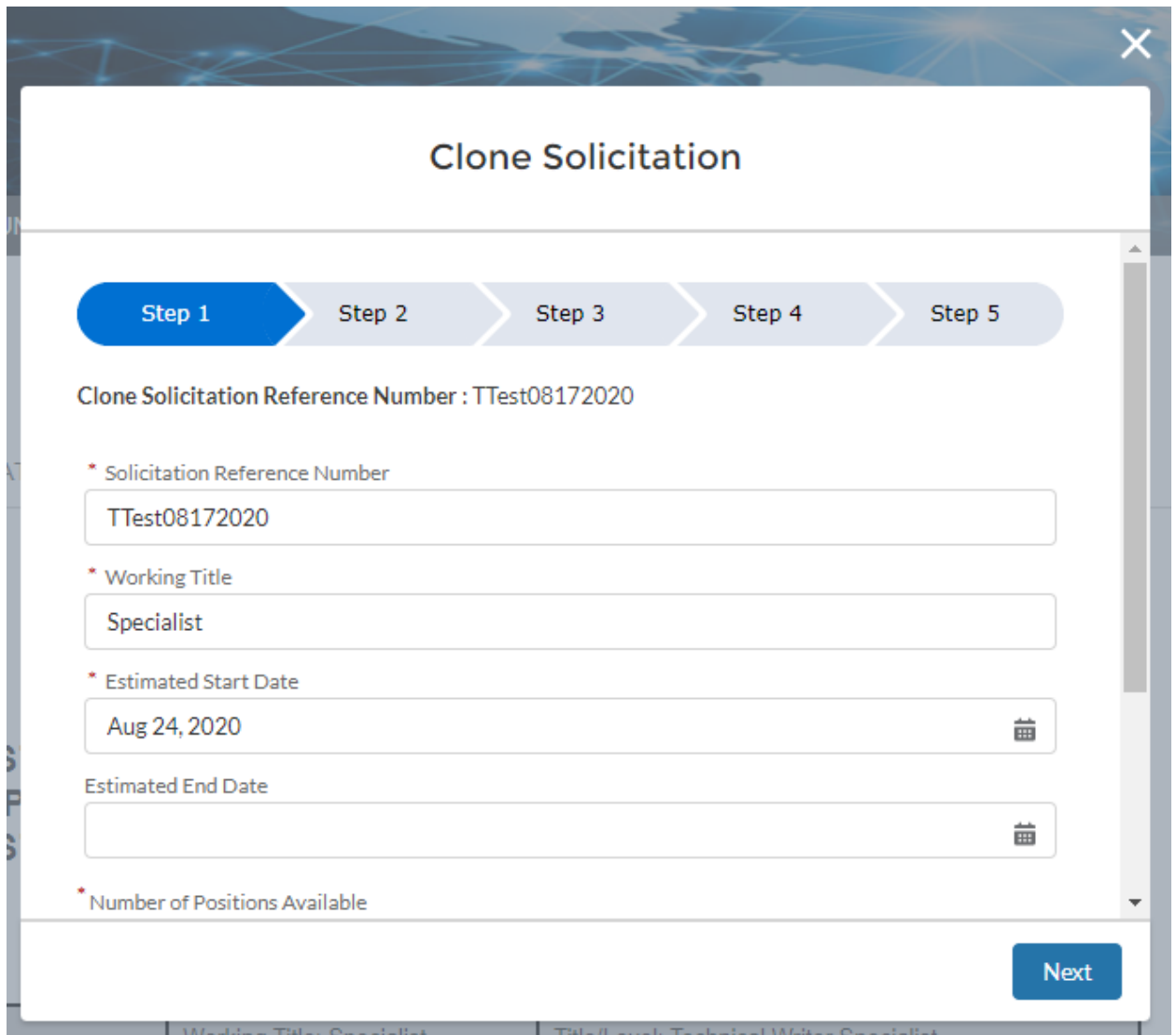
- 1.5.2 The clone link can be accessed on the Solicitation page.

Note: The link (depending on Solicitation status) can be accessed through a Down arrow or may be presented as a button.



Click on the Clone link to begin.

1.5.3 The clone link can be accessed on the Solicitation page.



The image shows a web interface for cloning a solicitation. At the top, there's a header with a close button (X) and the title "Clone Solicitation". Below the header is a progress bar with five steps: Step 1 (active), Step 2, Step 3, Step 4, and Step 5. The main content area displays the "Clone Solicitation Reference Number : TTest08172020". Below this, there are four input fields, each with a red asterisk indicating a required field. The first field is "Solicitation Reference Number" with the value "TTest08172020". The second field is "Working Title" with the value "Specialist". The third field is "Estimated Start Date" with the value "Aug 24, 2020" and a calendar icon. The fourth field is "Estimated End Date" with a calendar icon. Below these fields is a label "Number of Positions Available" with a red asterisk. At the bottom right, there is a blue "Next" button.

Clone Solicitation

Step 1 Step 2 Step 3 Step 4 Step 5

Clone Solicitation Reference Number : TTest08172020

* Solicitation Reference Number
TTest08172020

* Working Title
Specialist

* Estimated Start Date
Aug 24, 2020

Estimated End Date

* Number of Positions Available

Next

All details from the cloned Solicitation will be presented and can be edited. You must provide a new Solicitation Reference number.

- 1.5.4 Once you have completed all the steps, click **Save Draft** and the Solicitation will be saved in Draft status. You may then review and either Withdraw the draft Solicitation or begin the Post process.

The screenshot shows a 'Clone Solicitation' dialog box with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The main title is 'Clone Solicitation'. Below it is a section titled 'Candidate Skills and Experience'. A warning message in red text states: 'Warning! Add the following skills required and/or preferred for this solicitation. Refer to contract documentation (or link above) to determine the appropriate number of years necessary for this solicitation type and level.' The section contains two rows of input fields. The first row is for 'Required Years' (with a red asterisk) and 'Required Skills (255 character max)' (with a red asterisk). The 'Required Years' field contains '10' and the 'Required Skills' field contains 'Test Specialist'. To the right of the 'Required Skills' field is a 'Remove' button. Below these fields is a blue 'Add Row' button. The second row is for 'Preferred Years' and 'Preferred Skills (255 character max)'. The 'Preferred Years' field contains '1' and the 'Preferred Skills' field contains 'Test'. To the right of the 'Preferred Skills' field is another 'Remove' button. Below these fields is another blue 'Add Row' button. At the bottom right of the dialog box are two buttons: 'Previous' and 'Save Draft'.

Clone Solicitation

Candidate Skills and Experience

Warning! Add the following skills required and/or preferred for this solicitation. Refer to contract documentation (or link above) to determine the appropriate number of years necessary for this solicitation type and level.

Required Years * Required Skills (255 character max) *

10 Test Specialist Remove

Add Row

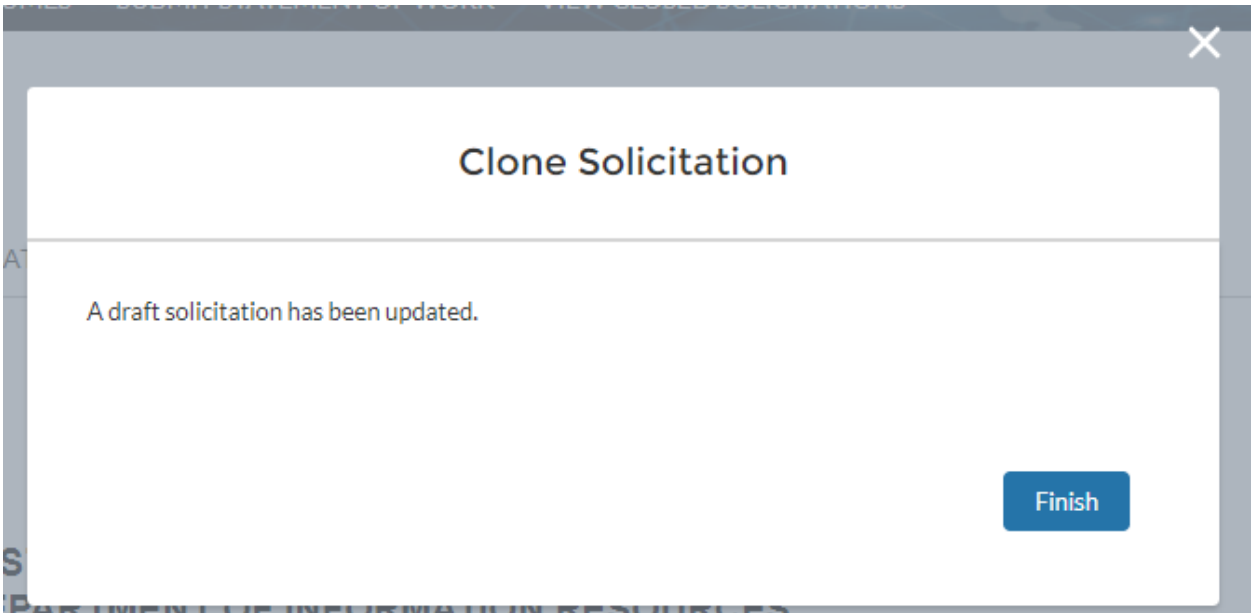
Preferred Years Preferred Skills (255 character max)

1 Test Remove

Add Row

Previous Save Draft

Confirmation Message. Refer to previous sections in this document to proceed with posting the Solicitation.



2.0 VERSION HISTORY

Version Number	Release Date	Comments
1.0	2/24/2020	Initial Release
2.0	3/16/2020	Updated changes to include resume download file limit, allowing multiple accounts per customer, and displaying number of candidates posted prior to deadline date.
3.0	10/1/2020	Updated changes to reflect modified process to accommodate RFO 445. Added steps for SOW process and Cloning Solicitations process.