

Silicon Valley JPTA

Can you please provide current contractor rates?

- [2025/2026 Single Rider Vendor Rates](#)

Will the district reimburse contractors for tolls?

- Ridership within our county does not require toll usage. There is no language in the bid that addresses tolls

How many students are receiving services under the current contract?

- Currently have transportation for 55 students in 51 vehicles

How many students do you anticipate needing services under this contract?

- It varies year to year

What is the current average distance per trip?

- The average distance per trip is 12 miles

Does the district require cameras and GPS in each vehicle?

- There is no requirement for GPS or cameras in the bid. For vehicles equipped with cameras, there is language on the requirements

Can you please confirm the official due date and bid opening time?

- [RFP/Q Timeline](#)

Can you confirm whether SVJPTA intends to award to multiple vendors, or will the contract primarily be managed by one provider?

- We intend to create a pool of vendors

Can you please confirm if Bid No. 25-26-01 is intended to replace the current SVJPTA transportation contract in its entirety, or if it is being issued to add additional vendor capacity alongside existing agreements?

- There will be a new contract signed by all of the vendors chosen. I believe the agreement is part of the bid packet.

For our Bid Bond, what's the contract value?

- Last year, the total contract value for all vendors was approximately \$1,370,000.

Who is your current sedan based transportation provider or providers?

- See vendor rate sheet

Bid 25-26-01 Questions and Answers

How many routes/vehicles are currently used to transport your students utilizing sedan based alternative transportation? What's the average number of students per vehicle?

- Currently have transportation for 55 students in 51 vehicles
 - One student on most with four vehicles transporting two students

What is the average mileage per route for students traveling in sedan based service?

- The average distance per trip is 12 miles

How many WAV vehicles are required as part of this contact?

- It varies. Currently we are transporting seven wheelchair students

Is the district intending to award the contract to a single vendor or multiple vendors?

- Multiple vendors

Is the district willing to waive the performance bond requirement for sedan based vendors?

- The Performance Bond can be waived and is not mandatory.

What is the expected award date for this contract?

- See RFP/Q timeline

Regarding the Performance Bond, as this contract is for services to be performed on an as needed basis please advise how bidders should calculate the contract amount for the bond.

- The Performance Bond can be waived and is not mandatory. Last year, the total contract value for all vendors was approximately \$1,370,000.

Can the district please confirm the number of students transported by alternative transportation providers during the last school year?

- See above

Can the district please confirm their current provider and rates?

- See above

Will the district allow for contract negotiations post RFP?

- No

Can the district please clarify if they intend to award one or multiple providers as part of this RFP?

- See above

Bid 25-26-01 Questions and Answers

Can the district please provide historical and/or estimated information on the following:

Average number of riders per one-way trip

- See above

Average mileage per one-way trip

- See above

Can the district please allow the use of verified e-signatures for this submission?

- Yes

Is this RFP intended to supplement or replace existing contracts with current vendors?

- See above

Can the District please allow for digital submission (e.g. by email or portal upload, or similar)?

- Bids must be hand-delivered or mailed

Attachment A - Contractor Personnel: In the event of award, we will immediately hire drivers and source vehicles as we have done for hundreds of partners across the Country. In the past two years alone, we've onboarded over 10,000 drivers without a single delay. Would the district be open to a complete list of the drivers and vehicles following award and prior to start of service at a mutually agreed upon time?

- Yes

Can the district please clarify what type of licenses they are referring to under '15. Licenses'? (p.11)

- Business License

F. Project References - Would the district be open to vendors providing non California references?

- Yes

Can the district please share the historical Liquidated Damages that they've assessed to their current provider(s)?

- \$7,100 over 3 years

Can the district please provide the estimated number of students requiring Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles?

- See above

Can the district please share their evaluation criteria/scoring for this RFP?

- No

Bid 25-26-01 Questions and Answers

Can the district please confirm if the full time trainer requirement is applicable to this RFP given the as needed, small vehicle transportation nature of this contract?

- Yes

Considering the highly variable nature of as-needed transportation services, a bond calculated on a projected 100% annual value presents a significant administrative challenge. Would the JPA consider removing the Performance Bond requirement for this RFP?

- The Performance Bond can be waived and is not mandatory.

Can you please clarify if Bidders may bid on only providing ambulatory transportation services?

- Yes

How many students currently require single-rider transportation on a daily basis?

- See above

Who is the incumbent vendor (or vendors) providing these services today?

- See above

Will there be a public bid opening?

- Yes

How would the vendor determine the contract amount for the bid bond?

- See above

In order to offer the most price competitive and cost-effective transportation solution, our pricing is not based on a traditional bus route per day/hour pricing model. Rather, our pricing is a base price fee + a per-mile fee. May we adjust the proposal to reflect our pricing structure to ensure that the cost is evaluated appropriately?

- See Bid Form and Proposal in the [bid packet](#). It is set up for industry standard pricing for car services.

Would the District be interested in bids from cost-effective alternative transportation solutions utilizing sedans and SUVs as a supplement in cases where transportation needs are most efficiently met by smaller vehicles (e.g. special education, IEP, McKinney Vento, and/or other small group and individual rides) provided on an as-needed basis?

- This bid is for these services

Bid 25-26-01 Questions and Answers

Our team is reviewing the Q&A from the RFP Bid and wants to confirm whether a current vendor must submit a bid. This question comes from the following Q&A:

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There will be a new contract signed by all of the vendors chosen. I believe the agreement is a part of the bid packet. The intent is to add additional vendors.

Based on the answer to the question, are you reserving the right to keep incumbent providers?

- Thank you for pointing out how that answer could be confusing, I have corrected the answer to the question on the sheet

All vendors will be chosen from the bids that are submitted. Current vendors who want to be considered to provide transportation after 12/31/2025 must submit a bid.