





**Question #1:** I am hoping you are able to provide a definition of "Public and Community Safety". We are seeking clarity on PSC's definition of "safety" - does this include emergency preparedness - or is this limited to crime prevention, etc.?

**Answer #1:** Public Safety's Focus under this project is defined in Annex A: Statement of Work Section #3 Background: found on Page 52 of the solicitation. The excerpt below has been provided for ease of reference and as indicated, this program specifically focuses on addressing Family Violence and Violent Crimes Against Aboriginal Women and Girls through the development of Community Safety Plans (CSPs).

"Public Safety Canada (PS) requires community development facilitators located across Canada to deliver the workshops to help increase community readiness and facilitate the development of CSPs toward the end of fostering safer Indigenous communities in a culturally relevant manner.

Public Safety Canada is providing support for community-based strategic planning that is rooted in traditional Indigenous healing processes. These healing processes address the underlying causes of abuse and dysfunction through culturally-based interventions and ultimately promote safer communities. Through the community safety planning process Public Safety Canada seeks to improve the safety of Indigenous peoples within Indigenous communities by embracing Indigenous culture as a crucial component of safe Indigenous communities. CSPs enable communities to take greater responsibility for identifying their own needs and build on their existing assets, reflecting the community's aspirations and culture while respecting their constraints and challenges.

The process adopted by the Aboriginal Community Safety Planning Initiative (ACSPI) is included as part of the government's Action Plan to Address Family Violence and Violent Crimes Against Aboriginal Women and Girls and has, to date, been delivered in over one hundred and twenty seven (127) Indigenous communities. The training and delivery of the strategic planning workshops are central to the success of the process as they help to enhance community readiness and capacity throughout the development of CSPs. Importantly, the process was designed to be adaptable and responsive to varying stages of community development. As such, the facilitator is expected to contribute to the continual adaptation and development of material in order to maintain a high level of fit between workshop content, processes, and community needs. The workshop material has been written in plain language to ensure that it is accessible to all community members (e.g. youth, Elders, women, children and leaders)."



**Question #2:** Do those that qualified for the Nunavut CSP Standing Offer (SO) need to also submit for the current RFSO?

**Answer #2:** Bidders that are qualified under Public Safety's previous SO must submit a new bid if they wish to work in any of the listed Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement (CLCA )areas detailed in the RFSO.

This is due to the unique regulations specified under each CLCA we are required to requalify bidders.