# Request for Proposals: Website Redesign

#### 1. Introduction

The Centre for Sexuality is seeking proposals from qualified vendors to design and develop a new website that reflects our evolving identity, improves user experience and supports our programs and communications strategies.

Our goal is to create a modern, accessible and future-ready site that better serves our diverse audiences including youth, parents, educators, professionals and the public.

# 2. About the Centre for Sexuality

We are a nonprofit organization based in Calgary, Alberta, with a mission to normalize sexuality and promote healthy relationships across the lifespan.

For 53 years, the Centre for Sexuality has been a trusted resource for comprehensive sexuality education, 2SLGBTQ+ inclusion, professional training and support services. We work with individuals across the lifespan and across Alberta, from school-based programs and parent workshops to corporate training and national partnerships. A list of our programs and services can be found on <u>our website</u>.

We deliver evidence-based, community-informed programs and we advocate for inclusive, affirming and rights-based approaches to sexual health and education.

# 3. Project Purpose

Our website is crucial to the work of the Centre for Sexuality. It plays a critical role in program awareness, service navigation, event promotion, fundraising and advocacy. It is also an information hub about topics related to sexual health and sexuality.

The Centre has a wide reach, over 50 years of experience providing programs and services in the community and a reputation for evidence-informed, non-judgmental services and supports. As we reach more communities and deepen our impact, we require a website that reflects the needs of diverse audiences.

# 4. Project Goals

We are seeking a website that:

- Reflects our brand, mission and values with a modern, professional design
- Improves the user journey for our diverse audiences including youth, parents, professionals, donors and the public



- Enhances accessibility and complies with WCAG 2.1 AA standards
- Supports content strategy through improved navigation, structure and searchability
- Makes it easy for users to donate, subscribe to updates or access resources
- Empowers our staff to update and manage content through a user-friendly CMS
- Integrates with tools including DonorPerfect, Constant Contact, e-commerce and elearning

## 5. Scope of Work

#### **Discovery and Planning**

- Website strategy
- User experience planning
- Site architecture and content strategy

#### Design

- Custom, responsive and accessible design aligned with our brand
- Integration of visual assets (photos, video, infographics)

#### **Development**

- Front-end and back-end development using WordPress
- Content migration from existing website
- Mobile optimization and performance tuning
- Integration with the following systems:
  - DonorPerfect: embed and style our existing donation form for a seamless user experience
  - E-learning platform: integrate with our chosen system and create placeholder pages for future offerings
  - Online store: integrate a simple e-commerce solution that supports product listings, checkout and order notifications
  - Tracking and analytics: Google Analytics 4 (GA4), Search Console, Tag Manager and other relevant tools to support performance tracking and data insights

## Testing and Launch

- Quality assurance across browsers and devices
- Accessibility and SEO audits

## **Training and Documentation**

- CMS training for staff
- User manual or video tutorials for content updates



# 6. Project Timeline

Milestone	Target Date
Questions Due	October 3, 2025
Proposal Deadline	October 7, 2025
Vendor Selected	October 20, 2025
Project Kickoff	October 27, 2025
Site Launch	January 2026

# 7. Proposal Requirements

Please include the following in your submission:

- Overview of relevant experience
- Key team members and their roles
- Relevant experience in website design and development, particularly in the nonprofit sector.
- Describe your overall methodology from discovery to development to testing
- Outline how your team will ensure accessibility compliance standards and build a site that serves diverse backgrounds and abilities
- Outline how your team will ensure data security, including encryption, secure access controls, regulatory compliance and vulnerability management
- Your project plan, timeline and estimated hours
- Budget cost breakdown including design, development, testing, training and postlaunch support. Please include any optional add-ons.
- Support and maintenance plan, outlining service scope, update frequency, response times and support costs for Year 1 and beyond
- References

## 8. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Alignment with project goals
- Demonstrated experience with similar websites
- User-centered design and technical approach
- Transparency of fees, providing good value
- Ability to meet timelines
- Commitment to collaboration with our team
- References to determine past performance

## 9. Submission Instructions

Proposals may be submitted to Rachel Nadler, Communications Advisor: rnadler@centreforsexuality.ca.

Any printed materials to support your proposal may be delivered to the Centre for Sexuality: 700 - 1509 Centre Street South, Calgary, AB T2G 2E6.



#### **Vendor Questions**

Any questions about this RFP must be submitted in writing to Rachel Nadler, Communications Advisor: <a href="mailto:rnadler@centreforsexuality.ca">rnadler@centreforsexuality.ca</a>, no later than October 3, 2025.

