



# MIKE KELLEY

## WILL COUNTY SHERIFF

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Ray O'Herron Company, Inc.  
3549 N. Vermillion St.  
Danville, IL 61832

Date: May 21, 2025

In Reference: Bid 2025-23 Sheriff's Dept. Body Armor

Justin Fredericks or To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to inform you that your bid submitted on May 20, 2025, for Armor Express Body Armor, Vortex Gen 2 Model AEXPG2-All and Gemini Dual Purpose Armor Model GEM-A-DP22, for various Departments of Will County is hereby accepted. The contract shall be for a term of three (3) years, effective June 1, 2025, through and including May 31, 2028.

This contract is for approximately 50 (+/-) body armor vests per year. This award is for an estimated total cost of \$76,500.00 with an increase of 3% on years two and three.

As stated in the original solicitation document, your performance bond is now due in the amount of \$7,650.00 (ten percent) and can be sent to the office of Kevin Lynn, Purchasing Director, for retention through the contract period. Mr. Lynn's office address: Office of the County Executive Attn Kevin Lynn, 302 N Chicago St., Joliet, IL 60432.

We look forward to a very efficient and sound working relationship ahead. If you have any questions, please contact our Purchasing Director, Kevin Lynn at [klynn@willcounty.gov](mailto:klynn@willcounty.gov) or my Executive Secretary, Christine Miller at [cmiller@willcosheriff.org](mailto:cmiller@willcosheriff.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Mike Kelley".  
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Sheriff Mike Kelley

CC: Training Sergeant S. Formenti – Enforcement  
Training Sergeant M. Dudek – Adult Detention Facility  
Kevin Lynn – Purchasing Director



# WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

## Bid History

**ITEM:** #2025-23 Sheriff Body Armor

**DEPARTMENT:** Will County Sheriff

**BID RELEASE:** April 22, 2025

**PUBLISHED NOTICE:** April 24, 2025, Herald News

**FUNDING SOURCE:** Budgeted Item

**BID OPENING:** May 20, 2025, 10:00 AM

**LOCATION:**

**BIDDING RESULTS:**

**NUMBER RELEASED:** 8+ Internet

**NUMBER RETURNED:** 3

<b><u>BIDDER:</u></b>	<b><u>Total Cost</u></b>
Ray O'Herron, Danville, IL	\$76,500.00
Galls, Lexington, KY	\$82,600.00
JCM Uniform Supply	Disqualified – No signed bid form

Recommendation from Sergeant Michelle Dudek and Sergeant Steven Formenti of the Will County Sheriff's Office, is to **award the contract for 2025-23 Sheriff's Department Body Armor to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder, Ray O'Herron, Danville, IL**, for the purchase of approximately 50 vests for enforcement officers, and approximately 50 vests for corrections officers at a total price of \$76,500.00. The vests will be purchased over a three (3) year period beginning June 1, 2025, through and including May 31, 2028, with a 3% increase in price per year.



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**Bid Tabulation**

Sheriff Body Armor

#2025-23

BIDDER	Bid Requirements	Total Cost
Ray Oherron  Danville, IL	Bid Bond: 10% Prime Contractor Form: Yes Sample Sent: Yes Bid Form: Yes Lead Time: 45-60 days.	Unit Price (per Vest - EO) Unit Price (per Vest - CO)  GRAND TOTAL (YR 1) 76,500. YR 2 % Inc 3% YR 3 % Inc 3%.
Galls  Lexington, KY	Bid Bond: 10% Prime Contractor Form: Yes Sample Sent: Yes Bid Form: Yes Lead Time: 60 days	Unit Price (per Vest - EO) Unit Price (per Vest - CO)  GRAND TOTAL (YR 1) 82,600. YR 2 % Inc 5% YR 3 % Inc 5%.
gcm Uniforms Joliet, IL h h	Bid Bond: CR. 9440. Prime Contractor Form: Yes Sample Sent: Yes Bid Form: <del>Yes</del> not signed. Lead Time:	Unit Price (per Vest - EO) Unit Price (per Vest - CO)  GRAND TOTAL (YR 1) Disqualified YR 2 % Inc YR 3 % Inc
	Bid Bond: Prime Contractor Form: Sample Sent: Bid Form: Lead Time:	Unit Price (per Vest - EO) Unit Price (per Vest - CO)  GRAND TOTAL (YR 1)  YR 2 % Inc YR 3 % Inc

Also Present: Kevin Lynn, Nancy Ruettiger, John Linehan

# Will County Sheriff's Police Department



TRAINING DIVISION

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**To:** Kevin Lynn- Purchasing Director  
**From:** Sergeant Steven Formenti & Sergeant Michelle Dudek  
**Subject:** Contract for #2025-23 Sheriff's Dept. Body Armor  
**Date:** May 20, 2025

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Kevin:

Upon reviewing the submitted bids (Contract for #2025-23 Sheriff Body Armor) and/or completing our testing, we have enclosed our recommendation. Please see below for further.

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**JCM Uniform, Inc.:** (Survival Armor)

**Disqualified:** Formal bid not signed

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**Ray O'Herron Co., Inc.** (Armor Express)

**Enforcement:** (Vortex Gen2 Model AEXPG2-AII)

Meets all requirements.

**Corrections:** (Gemini Dual Purpose Armor Model GEM-A-DP22)

Meets all requirements

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**Galls.** (Point Blank)

**Enforcement:**

Did not send sample.

**Corrections:** (CB-S2-BII-1))

Price is \$102 per vest more than Ray O'Herron's Armor Express. Galls also has listed a 5% increase for years 2 and 3; whereas, Ray O'Herron's Armor Express has listed a 3% increase for years 2 and 3.

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Based on review of the enclosed documents submitted with the bids, samples delivered or not delivered, along with pricing, the Enforcement Division would like to purchase the Armor Express (Vortex Gen II), and for the Corrections Division/Court Security Officers Division, we would like to purchase the Armor Express (Gemini Dual Purpose Armor) through Ray O'Herron Co. Inc.

Respectfully,

Sergeant Michelle Dudek  
&  
Sergeant Steven Formenti