

**2016**  
**Request for Waiver of Bid Procurement**

I. Program Description and Current Operations:

Name of Service Provider currently under contract: *Safe Harbor of Dane County, Inc.*  
Name of Contract Manager: *Julie Ahnen*  
Division: *Department of Human Services – Division of Children, Youth, and Families*  
Current Contract Total: *\$80,343 (2015)*

Name of Program (program description):

*Child maltreatment forensic/videotaped interviews, support, case coordination*  
*Safe Harbor provides child-interview, family-support, and investigation/ prosecution-*  
*support services for child maltreatment victims and their families and involved*  
*professionals.*

II. Chapter 25 of Dane County Ordinance codifies the County's purchasing and contracting process. Included in this chapter, 25.11(20) allows for exceptions to the competitive bidding process for a variety of reasons.

**Only one vendor possesses the unique and singularly available ability to meet the Department's requirements**

**When a unique or opportune buying condition exists**

III. State your rationale for request for waiver. Please be specific.

*Safe Harbor owns videotape equipment and maintains specially-designed rooms for state-of-the-art child interview/observation. Staff have special training in performance of legally-sound forensic interviews of child victims. Staff have the essential confidence of local Courts' judges, attorneys, law enforcement and others. Dane County is one of several funders, only. Other funders have not expressed interest in an alternative provider or providers.*