

**2016  
Request for Waiver of Bid Procurement**

I. Program Description and Current Operations:

Name of service providers currently under contract: *Youth Resource Centers*  
Name of contract manager: *Connie Bettin*  
Division: *Department of Human Services / Division of Children, Youth, and Families*  
Current contracts total: *\$147,042 total (2015 allocation)*

Name of program (program description: *Youth centers in Madison (8 sites), Cambridge, Deerfield, Marshall, McFarland, Middleton, Mount Horeb, Oregon, Stoughton, and Sun Prairie provide positive / non-school-hours programming to at-risk middle-school-age youth.*

*There are 13 providers / 18 centers. Individual centers receive \$8,650 in all instances. The Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD) is the sole multi-center provider with a total of five sites. Madison providers include MMSD, Goodman Community Center, Lussier Center, and Wisconsin Youth Company. The YMCA operates the Sun Prairie YRC.*

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.

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

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

*These youth centers have multiple funding streams in all instances. The associated cities/villages/townships, associated school districts, communities themselves (through fundraising), and other funders (primarily United Way) support the centers in addition to Dane County; Dane County is a minority funder (15%-35% of total budgets) in all instances. The local municipal government and/or school district are the lead agencies in some instances and are uninterested in alternative providers (a position DCDHS supports). Other funders are uninterested in alternative providers as well.*