



WAIVER PER PURCHASING POLICIES

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SELECT SOURCE

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

NAME OF THE VENDOR: Raise The Future

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Raise the Future – Youth Connections Advocate (YCA)

Raise the Future (Raise) is providing a YCA to Arapahoe County Department of Human Services (County) by implementing the child-focused recruitment model through the Youth Connections program. This initiative, supported by the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, aims to find permanent homes for foster care children in Colorado. Raise's responsibilities include hiring dedicated Youth Connection Advocate recruiters, conducting thorough case reviews, diligently searching for potential connections, assessing adoption readiness, providing adoption preparation, building support networks, developing recruitment plans, ensuring staff training, and timely data entry for monitoring and program refinement.

JUSTIFICATION (How were they selected, Why requesting to waive purchasing policy process): The selection of Raise the Future (Raise) as the contractor aligns with select source guidelines by prioritizing continuity, expertise, and responsiveness in delivering critical services to vulnerable children in Arapahoe County. The Colorado Department of Human Services previously held this contract from July 22-June 24 as a partnership between Counties and CDHS to fund this program. As of July 24 Arapahoe County is taking over the contract as directed by CDHS for counties to continue to participate in the Youth Connections program.

Past Experience and Historical Knowledge: Raise has a proven track record of serving in this capacity in previous years, demonstrating familiarity with the specific needs and dynamics of the program. Their historical knowledge and experience as the original installer make them uniquely qualified to continue this service.

Demonstrated Expertise: Raise's consistent delivery of services underscores their expertise in child-focused recruitment models and finding permanent homes for foster care children. Their expertise is further validated by their collaboration with the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, a renowned organization in the field.

PRICE: FY July 2024 to June 2025 - \$112,988.00 for eighteen (18) spots

FY July 2025 to June 2026 - \$112,988.00 for eighteen (18) spots

Total = \$225,976.00

FIXED ASSET Yes No FIXED ASSET #

COST CENTER # 1185700126 G/L # 55693

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APPROVED

By Michelle R. Dossey, MSW at 8:43 am, Apr 03, 2024

Requestor Name, Signature & Telephone Number

Cheryl Ternes

Date

April 3, 2024

Elected Official/Department Head

Date

Nancy Allen

4/3/2024

Purchasing Manager (not to exceed \$100,000)

Date

Comments:

Waiver approved, BoCC Reso #180600. Requestor to proceed with PO Yes No

Requestor to schedule BoCC Drop In & Create Board Summary Report Yes No

Todd Weaver

4/5/2024

Todd Weaver, Director of Finance

Date

BOCC, Chair

Date

Per BoCC Resolution #180600 of 10/6/18, Purchasing Manager has authorization for sole approval up to \$100,000 plus exemptions to Contract Extensions