### RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

<u>Human Services Board</u> INITIATED BY

<u>Human Services Board</u> SUBMITTED BY

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Sara Mooren
DRAFTED BY

September 12, 2014 DATE DRAFTED

# Awarding the Contract for Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) <u>Services and Amending the 2014 Budget</u>

- WHEREAS, the Human Services Department annually receives funding from the State of Wisconsin
  Department of Administration Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) to assist eligible
  low-income Rock County residents with their utility costs; and,
- WHEREAS, a request for proposals was issued to administer this program in Rock County with Energy Services, Inc. being the only entity to submit a proposal; and,
- WHEREAS, Department staff reviewed the proposal which met all requirements of the specifications set forth in the request for proposals; and,
- WHEREAS, WHEAP funding is allocated on a federal fiscal year and a contract for \$365,069 with Energy Services, Inc. would begin on October 1, 2014 and end on September 30, 2015 with the option for up to two one-year extensions; and,
  - WHEREAS, awarded funding will be targeted for client services, general operations and outreach in the community; and,
  - **WHEREAS**, the 2014 Budget would be amended to add an additional \$40,000 based on current revenue and expenditure projections.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_as\_ day of \_supervisor, 2014, does hereby award a contract to Energy Services, Inc. for WHEAP Services in Rock County.
  - **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Human Services Department budget for 2014 be amended as follows:

28		Budget	Increase	Amended
29	Account/Description	<u>9/12/14</u>	(Decrease)	Budget
30	Source of Funds		•	_
31	36-3614-0000-42100	\$364,412	\$40,000	\$404,412
32	Federal Aid		·	ŕ
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34	Use of Funds			
35	36-3614-0000-62119	\$364,412	\$40,000	\$404,412
36	Contracted Services	ŕ	•	

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Respectfully submitted,

#### **Human Services Board**

Absent
Brian Knudson, Chair

Absent

Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Vice Chair

FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

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Billy Bob Grahn

Ashley Kleven

Cathy Schulz

Terry Thomas

Shirley Williams

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith

County Administrator

#### **FISCAL NOTE:**

This resolution authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of an additional \$40,000 in Federal Aid for the WHEAP program and awards the contract for WHEAP services to Energy Services, Inc. No County matching funds are required.

Sherry Oja Finance Director

## LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats. In addition, sec. 59.52(29), Wis. Stats. requires the project to be let to the lowest responsible bidder. As an amendment to the adopted 2014 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.

Jerome A. Long

Deputy Corporation Counsel

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## PROPOSAL SUMMARY FORM

PROJECT NUMBER

#2014-52

PROJECT NAME

WISCONSIN HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

PROPOSAL DUE DATE SEPTEMBER 4, 2014 – 12 NOON

DEPARTMENT

**HUMAN SERVICES** 

	ENERGY SERVICES FOR ROCK COUNTY BELOIT WI				
2014-2015 BUDGET	\$365,096.00				
PREPARED BY: Jodi Millis Purchasing Manager					
DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION: Energy Services for Rock County  Signature  Date					
GOVERNING COMMITTEE APPROVAL:					
Chair Thomas	7-0 9-24-14 Vote Date				

#### **Executive Summary**

## Awarding the Contract for Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) <u>Services and Amending the 2014 Budget</u>

The Human Services Department annually receives funding from the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) to assist eligible low-income Rock County residents with their utility costs.

A request for proposals was issued to administer this program in Rock County. Energy Services, Inc. was previously awarded these funds and was the only entity to submit a proposal for this award. Department staff reviewed the proposal, which met all requirements of the specifications set forth in the request for proposals.

This resolution awards the contract to Energy Services, Inc. and also amends the 2014 Human Services Department budget to accept \$40,000 in additional funds through WHEAP. Funding is allocated on a federal fiscal year and a contract will be developed to begin on October 1, 2014 and end September 30, 2015. Rock County will have the option for up to two 1-year extensions.

The total contract amount will be \$365,069 for client services, general operations, and outreach.

Services provided by Energy Services will include:

- Publicizing a telephone number where persons can call for WHEAP information year-round and provide information on transportation to application site (s).
- Publicizing eligibility requirements, information on how to apply, location of application sites, times to apply, the availability of heating assistance, crisis assistance and weatherization.
- Provide outreach services to targeted population groups including high-risk households, the elderly, and the handicapped. This is to include assistance with the preparation and submittal of application by persons who are homebound. Provide an annual written detailed "Outreach Plan and Strategy "and "Coordination Plan" to Rock County Human Services Department.
- Establish a central location for the distribution and receipt of applications.
- Assure that all sites are accessible to all potential applicants including those with physical disabilities and that these sites are physically and geographically located throughout Rock County. Allow for flexible office hours to accommodate clients who cannot apply during normal business hours.
- Verify application information and supporting documents and certify that the application is correct. Enter certified application (s) into the WHEAP System.
- Resolve application and check issuance problems.
- Coordinate with other local agencies serving low-income persons.

No additional county funds are required.