

**RESOLUTION**

**ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Katherine Luster  
INITIATED BY



5/24/2022  
DATE DRAFTED

**Authorizing the Human Services Department to Enter into Contract with Professional Services Group, Inc.**

**WHEREAS**, the Human Services Department (HSD) is requesting to enter into contract with Professional Services Group, Inc. (PSG) for the amount of \$1,452,930 for services that provide support to families and children served through the Child Protective Services program; and,

**WHEREAS**, PSG provides Family Interactions and Support Services, Targeted Safety Services, and staff for the Parents Supporting Parents program; and,

**WHEREAS**, Family Interactions and Support Services include an array of support to families involved in the child welfare system that include supervised family interactions and coaching, transportation, community referrals and linkage, assisting CPS case managers with fulfilling case plane goals, parent skill training; and,

**WHEREAS**, Targeted Safety Supports services are provided based on the child’s specific protective/safety plan and are available Monday through Sunday; and,

**WHEREAS**, for the Parents Supporting Parents program PSG is responsible for hiring Parent Partners along with providing clinical supervision for this program that provides peer support for parents with a child currently in out-of-home care; and,

**WHEREAS**, HSD has contracted with PSG for several years and PSG staff are located along with Rock County HSD staff at the Dr. Daniel Hale Williams Resource Center; and,

**WHEREAS**, funds are included in the 2022 Adopted Budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 9th day of June, 2022, does authorize the Human Services Department to enter into a contract with Professional Services Group, Inc. for the amount of \$1,452,930.

FISCAL NOTE:

Funds are available in the Human Services budget for this contract. The services are being funded by a mix of tax levy and grant funds.

Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats. Professional services are not subject to bidding requirements of § 59.52(29), Stats.

Richard Greenlee  
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith  
County Administrator

**Committee Action**

**Human Services Board**

Human Services Board recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote.  
Supervisor Herrman was absent.

## Executive Summary

### **Authorizing the Human Services Department to enter into a contract with Professional Services Group, Inc.**

The Human Services Department (HSD) is requesting authorization to enter into contract with Professional Services Group, Inc. (PSG) again in 2022 for services that provide support in the Child Protective Services program. PSG is providing services in three areas 1) Family Interaction and Family Support Services 2) Targeted Safety Services, and 3) Parents Supporting Parents. The total amount of the contract is \$1,452,930 and funds are included in the 2022 Adopted Budget. HSD will also receive \$768,339 in grant funding to partially cover the cost of these services.

*Family Interactions and Support Services:* PSG provides supportive services to families involved in the child welfare system that include assisting with transporting clients, assisting clients with community referral and linkage, assisting CPS case managers with fulfilling case plan goals, and providing parent skill training using an evidence-based curriculum. PSG also provides supervised family interaction and parent coaching. PSG will provide 19,000 hours of service and the amount for this portion of the contract is \$620,596.

*Targeted Safety Supports:* PSG provides targeted safety support services that are based on the client's specific protective/safety plan. They are available to provide targeted safety coverage during the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday. They will ensure that all scheduled hours are covered in compliance with safety/protective plans. PSG will provide 10,800 hours of staff time and the amount of this portion of the contract is \$418,695. HSD receives \$354,700 in grant funding from the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families for this program that offsets these expenses.

*Parents Supporting Parents:* PSG will provide 10 full-time equivalent parent peer support positions and 6 hours per month of clinical supervision for the Parents Supporting Parents program. The parent peer support positions are referred to as Parent Partners. These are parents who have lived experience (previously had a child removed) who have exited the CPS system, meet the eligibility criteria outlined in the PSP Practice Guide, and have a functional understanding of the Child Welfare Standards and/or willingness to learn. Each staff (Parent Partner) will have a caseload of families who are currently working in the child welfare system and who currently have their children in out-of-home care to which they will provide ongoing peer support services. The amount for this portion of the contract is \$413,639 and is fully covered by grant funds through the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

PSG staff that provide these services are embedded with Rock County staff located at the Dr. Daniel Hale Williams Resource Center.