



## Request for Proposals

### Friends and Family Services (FAF) 2023 RFP

**DUE DATE:** *January 19, 2023 at 5:00 PM (EST)*

**ISSUE DATE:** February 15, 2023

The Mayor's Workforce Development Board (MWDB) is directly responsible and accountable to the State of Michigan, Labor and Economic Opportunity-Workforce Development (LEO-WD) for the planning and oversight of talent development programs in the City of Detroit. Designated by the MWDB, Detroit Employment Solutions Corporation (DESC) serves as the fiscal and administrative entity that provides workforce services to job seekers and employers. DESC's primary funding streams include Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) that funds Michigan's PATH (Partnership. Accountability. Training. Hope.) employment program, Food Assistance Employment and Training (FAE&T), Wagner-Peyser Employment Services (ES), and other public and private funding. The Corporation enters into contracts with qualified entities to provide workforce development programs and services to job seekers and employers. DESC anticipates receiving American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and CDC funding to support contracts as a result of this competitive bid process.

Additionally, this RFP is in support of the Violence Prevention Partner. The Violence Prevention or Intervention Partner in each local area is familiar with and respected by individuals at a high risk of violence, and work in partnership with the local justice system partner and experienced in the services and strategies required to interrupt the cycle of violence. Specific duties of the Violence Prevention Partner include: (1) participant recruitment; (2) referrals from the Justice partner and other collaboration with the Justice partner; (3) the provision and use of risk assessments; (4) service delivery for the required violence prevention, (5) mentorship, (6) conflict resolution program components and competencies; (7) participant referrals to social services; and other services for the program provided by the Violence Prevention Partner

**DESC, in partnership with MOWD, is seeking proposals from qualified individuals and/or firms to provide direct community outreach, recruitment and ongoing support services geared towards high-risk individuals.**

DESC plans to award **one or more contracts** for requested services as detailed in this RFP. Prospective applicants must demonstrate their relevant experience and ability to effectively provide services as set forth in this RFP.

**Bid package for this RFP is available for download at this DESC website:**

<https://www.descmiworks.com/opportunities/rfps-and-rfqs/>.

Notifications and changes related to this RFP will be posted to the website.

Proposals must be submitted electronically to [procurement@detempsol.org](mailto:procurement@detempsol.org) on or prior to the due date. Each applicant is responsible for ensuring that its bid response is received by DESC on a timely basis. Late bids will not be accepted. Proposal submissions addressed to DESC staff will not be accepted. Confirmations of proposals submitted will be provided within 48 hours of receipt.



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