



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Public Defender

**Vendor:** Safer Foundation, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Bond Court Backlog Specialists

**Contract Value:** \$1,345,489.60

**Contract period:** 1/1/2019 - 12/31/2021, with two (2), one (1) year renewal options

**Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact:** FY2019 \$436,800.00, FY2020 \$449,467.20,  
FY2021 \$ 459,222.40

**Accounts:** 521314- Special or Coop Programs: FY19 1260-\$318,800.00 and 1499-\$118,000.00

**Contract Number(s):** 1823-17607

#### **Concurrences:**

The vendor has met the Minority-and Women-owned Business Ordinance via full MWBE waiver.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

**Summary:** The Public Defender's Office in collaboration with the MacArthur Foundation and the Justice Advisory Council will utilize this contract to assist individuals appearing in bond court, and also those who have remained in jail for an extended period of time due to failure to post bond. The Bond Court Backlog Clearance Specialists will meet with pre-trial detainees to secure and verify information, and provide documentation in a detailed report to counsel which will be utilized to assist the court in determining the appropriate terms and conditions of pre-trial release.

The vendor was selected pursuant to a publically advertised Invitation for Bids in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. The Safer Foundation was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.