

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MADISON AND DANE COUNTY
2025 BOH RES-019

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH AND DISTRIBUTE FUNDS TO
CAYA CLINIC, INC.
FROM THE 2025 HARM REDUCTION AND PREVENTION DROP-IN CENTER RFP**

Public Health Madison & Dane County (Public Health) released the 2025 Harm Reduction and Prevention Drop-In Center Request for Proposals (RFP) to seek a qualified applicant to establish and operate a Harm Reduction and Prevention Drop-In Center that acts as a nonjudgmental community hub offering a safe environment and trauma-informed services that meet people where they are, reduces immediate health risks, and helps individuals connect to care and long-term support. The goal is to reduce stigma, prevent overdose deaths, promote health and dignity, and connect people to care through a welcoming, accessible environment.

Applicants responding to this RFP were evaluated by a review panel, which included external subject matter experts beyond Public Health. Based on the panel's funding recommendation, the following agency, CAYA Clinic, Inc. is recommended for contract award and funding allocation for \$800,000.00 annually for three (3) years (January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2028) to fund the operation of a Harm Reduction and Prevention Drop-In Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Public Health utilizes a Harm Reduction and Prevention Drop-In Center to provide access to services such as peer support, supplies, education, and referrals primarily for people at risk of overdose, infectious disease, or other substance-related impacts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED Public Health worked with the Purchasing Division to issue RFP #14050-0-2025-AM through a competitive process to solicit proposals for a Harm Reduction and Prevention Drop-In center, and received 4 proposals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED an evaluation team conducted a detailed evaluation, scored and ranked each of the proposals using criteria including cost, program design, past experience, plan for low barrier access, community responsiveness, start-up plan, implementation timeline, evaluation design, and partnerships; and CAYA Clinic, Inc. received the highest score; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED Public Health has proposed a contract amount for \$800,000.00 annually, totaling \$2,400,000.00 over a three-year (3) period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Public Health RFP advertised the contract as a three (3) year contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the contract is set to start on January 1, 2026 and due to expire on December 31, 2028; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board of Health for Madison and Dane County, on behalf of Public Health Madison & Dane County, authorizes the Director of Public Health, or their designee, to enter into an agreement with CAYA Clinic, Inc. accepting and distribute the funding of \$800,000.00 annually for three (3) years from January 1, 2026 to Dec 31, 2028, to fund the operation of a Harm Reduction and Prevention Drop-In Center.

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