

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** NE Children & Families Foundation

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/16/21

NDE Contract Number: 42243

Contract Amount: \$277,500

Scope of Services: Recruitment of programs, provide technical assistance, manage dissemination of the classroom incentives, and subcontract for evaluation of ReadyRosie.

Dates of Contract: 11/29/21-11/28/22

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by school districts as listed below.

Thomas Lee, Principal for Omaha Public Schools; John Ewing, Douglas County Treasurer; Lisa Utterback, Chief Officer of Student and Community Services - Omaha Public Schools; Molly O'Holleran, member - Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, State of Nebraska; Ben Watson, Chief Executive Officer - Chadron State College Foundation; Liliana Bronner, Assistant Professor and Clinical Education Manager - Family Medicine Department at the University of Nebraska Medical Center; Lawrence Chatters - Executive Associate Athletic Director at the University of Nebraska Lincoln.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:  
[melody.hobson@nebraska.gov](mailto:melody.hobson@nebraska.gov); (402/860-4055)

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** CEDARS Youth Services

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/16/21

NDE Contract Number: 42244

Contract Amount: \$318,576

Scope of Services:

- Design, implement and oversee educational programming in partnership with the Nebraska Department of Education and to include local school districts across Nebraska.
- Design, implement, and oversee three phases of programming to include expansion of current supports and resources to youth being served by CEDARS to other youth in the community.
- Implementation of a Rule 18 school to serve youth in a therapeutic group home setting and programming to address the educational needs of youth who are experiencing homelessness.
- Engage in regular feedback sessions with the NDE to strengthen statewide practices for youth in Rule 18 settings.

Dates of Contract: 11/22/21-7/1/24

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by school districts as listed below.

Judi Gaiashkibos, Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs  
Marilyn Hernandez, Lincoln Public Schools  
Eric Web, Lincoln Public Schools

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Coordinated School and District Support

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Kimberly Jacobson

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/22/21

NDE Contract Number: 42247

Contract Amount: \$36,200

Scope of Services: Achieve goals of the SAMSHA suicide prevention grant at the direction of the School Safety and Security Director.

Dates of Contract: 12/1/21-11/30/22

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Kimberly is a parttime employee of UNL, LPS and Doane University.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Coordinated Student Support Services

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:  
[zainab.rida@nebraska.gov](mailto:zainab.rida@nebraska.gov); (531-530-9001)

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** NE Children & Families Foundation

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/23/21

NDE Contract Number: 42249

Contract Amount: \$805,602

Scope of Services: Leverage additional funds from HHS and private funders to create the Nebraska Expanded Learning Expansion Collaborative. This public-private partnership will build upon successes in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Afterschool learning centers and create a statewide approach to high-quality expanded learning over the next three years.

Dates of Contract: 12/1/21-6/1/24

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by school districts as listed below.

Thomas Lee, Principal for Omaha Public Schools; John Ewing, Douglas County Treasurer; Lisa Utterback, Chief Officer of Student and Community Services - Omaha Public Schools; Molly O'Holleran, member - Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, State of Nebraska; Ben Watson, Chief Executive Officer - Chadron State College Foundation; Liliana Bronner, Assistant Professor and Clinical Education Manager - Family Medicine Department at the University of Nebraska Medical Center; Lawrence Chatters - Executive Associate Athletic Director at the University of Nebraska Lincoln.

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Stephanie McDonald

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/24/21

NDE Contract Number: 42250

Contract Amount: \$31,000

Scope of Services: Coaching and training services.

Dates of Contract: 1/1/22-12/31/22

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Spouse is an employee of Department of Transportation.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Nebraska Future Educators Association

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/30/2021

NDE Contract Number: 42255

Contract Amount: \$6,000.00

Dates of Contract: 12/1/21 – 5/31/22

Scope of Services: Procure the services of Conference Assistants for the Educators Rising Career and Technical Student Organization to assist in the planning and conducting of the Nebraska Educators Rising State Leadership Conference.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Chair Karlie Hermsen, Papillion LaVista School; Treasurer Jenni Benson, Nebraska State Education Association; Secretary Jame Cartwright, Southeast Community College; Finance Committee Guy Trainin, UNL.  
Members: Amber Meyers, South Sioux City High School; Huai-Mei Furman, UNO College of Education; James Abueg, Millard North High School; Jamie Batterman, Scottsbluff High School; and Katie Settles, Papillion-LaVista Community Schools.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: *Office of Career, Technical, & Adult Education*

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Nebraska Future Business Leaders of America

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/30/2021

NDE Contract Number: 42256

Contract Amount: \$6,500.00

Dates of Contract: 12/10/21 – 5/31/22

Scope of Services: Procure the services of Conference Assistants for the Nebraska Future Business Leaders of America Career and Technical Student Organization to assist in the planning and conducting of the Nebraska State FBLA Conference.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Secretary Lois Hixson, Aurora High School; Treasurer Laura Rikli, Elmwood Murdock Public Schools; Chair Tennille Allison, Kearney High School; Member Randy Rouse, Omaha NW High School and Angie Palmer, Broken Bow High School.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: *Office of Career, Technical, & Adult Education*

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Laurie Miller

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 11/30/21

NDE Contract Number: 42257

Contract Amount: \$18,000

Scope of Services: Program quality observations and training for Step Up To Quality

Dates of Contract: 1/1/22-12/31/22

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Spouse is an employee of Nebraska Game and Parks; niece is a contractor with NDE.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

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