

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Direct Negotiation Recommendation of \$500,000 or Less  
59-096E – Software Application to Report Suspicious Activity**

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**Introduction**

**Responsible: Procurement and Warehouse Services (PWS)**

This request is to approve the agreement between SaferWatch, LLC, and The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), for three (3) years, commencing upon Board approval through February 5, 2022. SaferWatch will provide SBBC with access to their application which collects “tips” submitted by the public regarding suspicious activity and will be funded by the Information & Technology Department.

**Goods/Services Description**

**Responsible: Information & Technology Department (I&T)**

“IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SEND SOMETHING”. Bullying, perceived threats, suspicious activity - the SaferWatch App gives you the power to record or report non-emergency incidents as they happen in the hallways, classrooms or courtyards of your school. Students, parents, teachers, and anyone in Broward County now have the ability to communicate with law enforcement seamlessly on a secure network.

The SaferWatch App gives students, parents, teachers or anyone in Broward County the ability to send non-emergency text, photo, video, and audio tips from a smartphone. It is currently in use by the Broward Sheriff’s Office and with this agreement; Broward County Public Schools will gain direct access into the tips that have been submitted.

**Procurement Method**

**Responsible: PWS**

The direct negotiation was performed in accordance with Purchasing Policy 3320, VI(C)(5)(c), and Section 6A-1.012(14), F.A.C., permit the acquisitions of Information & Technology as defined in Section 282.0041(14), Florida Statutes.

Broward Sherifs Department utilizes SaferWatch and this Agreement is required to facilitate SBBC gaining access to tips of concerns submitted by the public that relate to school safety. To be compatible with the solution in place, direct negotiation was performed.

**Financial Impact**

**Responsible: PWS and I&T**

The total spending authority requested is \$3.00, which represents the cost of access to the tool, reports and access to tips, as demonstrated below. There is not a previous bid in place.

Annual cost	\$1.00
<u>Number of years</u>	<u>3</u>
<b><u>Total spend authority</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.00</u></b>