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Dear [REDACTED]

On 11 March 2020, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

- *A list of all services contracted for delivery by the Ministry of Social Development, by contract name, provider name and total contract value in the current financial year. If you categorise such services under various sub-headings, please advise of those categories also.*

The Ministry currently invests over \$400m in over 2,100 community-based NGOs and employment services (including industry partnerships) to prevent and respond to vulnerability and harm and to support youth development, disability support, work readiness, skill training, and getting people into work.

All current financial contracts across the Ministry and the Ministry of Youth Development are published online here: <https://catalogue.data.govt.nz/dataset/msd-and-mydc-contracted-funding-f20/resource/70b7c99d-fc33-4f17-bece-f8790d1e2031>

Please note, the data extract contains contract data for all of the Ministry and the Ministry of Youth Development, including Service Delivery's regional contracts, it includes provider name, contracted service and value.

As such, your request for information is refused under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act on the basis that the information requested is publicly available.

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter to the wider public shortly. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter on the Ministry of Social Development's website. Your personal details will be deleted and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response regarding a list of all services contracted for delivery by the Ministry, by contract name, provider name and total contract value in the current financial year, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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