

## **OpenBook Wisconsin**

OpenBook Wisconsin was enacted as part of 2011 Wisconsin Act 32, s.16.413 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires that the Department of Administration (DOA) create a searchable website with information about all state agency expenditures in excess of \$100. This new database will eventually include all state and UW salaries and fringe benefits, grants paid by state agencies, and all contract payments made by any agency or UW institutions. For ease of administration, all expenditures, regardless of amount, will be included.

It will give citizens easy access to State of Wisconsin expenditures, or the amount of money we spend to do business. It includes the payments we have made for purchasing goods or services, and we currently include data about the expenditures made by state government from fiscal year 2008 through the most current month. You will be able to search the website database by state agency, expense (expenditure) category and vendor by fiscal year.

### **Employee Information**

Precautions are being taken to protect sensitive employee information. **The *OpenBook Wisconsin* website will *not* post the social security number, home address or home telephone number of any employee.** Transactions will show the employee's agency.

Safety is the priority while meeting legal obligations to provide public information under state law. While there are very limited reasons which justify the redaction of an employee name under the law, efforts are being taken to redact names that would potentially jeopardize an employee's safety (for example: an undercover agent or domestic abuse victim).

**If you have concerns that your safety may be jeopardized by including your name on the website, please contact our Human Resources Director. Human Resources will work with legal counsel to determine if your name should be redacted.**