

**15074**

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Kunjlata Ashar, M.D.  
Acting Pathologist/Medical Examiner  
Department of Labs & Research

DATE: October 29, 2010

RE: **Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a grant agreement with the State of New York, acting through its Division of Criminal Justice Services for the County's Department of Laboratories and Research's Division of Forensic Science to participate in the Bryne Justice Assistance Grant Program to assist in the reduction of the backlog of criminal burglary DNA cases, for a term commencing on October 1, 2010 and expiring September 30, 2011, in an amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars**

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The attached resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with the State of New York, acting through its Division of Criminal Justice Services (the "State"), for the County's Department of Laboratories and Research's (the "Department") Division of Forensic Science to participate in the Bryne Justice Assistance Grant Program to assist in the reduction of the backlog of criminal burglary DNA cases, for a term commencing on October 1, 2010 and expiring September 30, 2011, in an amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars.

The public purpose of this Agreement is to promote the public safety and security of the residents of the County by reducing turnaround time of forensic services in connection with criminal burglary DNA cases, thereby expediting criminal case processing.

The objective of this resolution is to accept federal funding passing through the state to provide the law enforcement community of Westchester County with both timely and quality scientific results, on burglary evidence submitted to the Division of Forensic Science. Funding will cover costs associated with DNA analysis on backlogged burglary cases and will aid in their timely investigation and prosecution. The Department will monitor and report the progress of this Agreement in quarterly progress reports provided to the granting authority.

Accordingly, I recommend and urge your Honorable Board's approval of the annexed Resolution authorizing the County to enter into this grant agreement with the State.

KA: jpi  
Attachment

# RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Acting Pathologist/Medical Examiner, be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester is authorized to enter into an agreement with the State of New York, acting through its Division of Criminal Justice Services (the "State"), for the County's Department of Laboratories and Research's (the "Department") Division of Forensic Science to participate in the Bryne Justice Assistance Grant Program to assist in the reduction of the backlog of criminal burglary DNA cases, for a term commencing on October 1, 2010 and expiring September 30, 2011, in an amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand (\$30,000) Dollars; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be  
Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	31	134K	9853	T134	\$30,000

Budget Funding Year(s) 2010/2011 Start Date 10/01/10 End Date 9/30/11  
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars \_\_\_\_\_  
State Aid \_\_\_\_\_

\$30,000  
(must match resolution) Federal Aid \$30,000 Federal Funds channeled  
Through the NYS Division of Criminal  
Justice Services – Revenue #9853

Other \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 12-2-2010 - JOMARY VIEIRA, SECRETARY