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Department of Social Services

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DATE: December 8, 2011

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Kevin M. McGuire
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Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to amend an agreement with the Urban League of Westchester County, Inc. (the "Urban League") for the provision of various support services through a program called WRAPP for the "hard-to-serve" Safety Net Family population in Westchester County for the program period July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011 for a total amount not to exceed amount of \$608,430 by: 1) extending the end date from December 31, 2011 to March 31, 2012; and 2) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$101,200 from a total not to exceed amount of \$608,430 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$709,630 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation to cover the cost associated with the services to be provided during the extended period

By a resolution approved on June 10, 2010, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department of Social Services, (the "Department"), to enter into an agreement with the Urban League of Westchester County, Inc. (the "Urban League") for the provision of various support services through a program named WRAPP for the "hard-to-serve" Safety Net Family customers in Westchester for the program period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 for an amount not-to-exceed \$404,800 to be paid pursuant to an approved program budget and subject to appropriation. This agreement was subsequently executed.

By a resolution approved on June 2, 2011 your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department, to amend the aforesaid agreement with the Urban League for the provision of various support services through a program called WRAPP for the "hard-to-serve" Safety Net Family population in Westchester County by: 1) extending the end date from June 30, 2011 to September 30, 2011; 2) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$101,815 from a total not to exceed amount of \$404,800 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$506,615; 3) modifying the scope of services in order to develop Community Work Experience Program worksites to place customers who will be trained and then transitioned into paid employment. This amendment was subsequently executed.

By a resolution approved on October 27, 2011, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department, to further amend the aforesaid agreement with the

Urban League for the provision of various support services through a program called WRAPP for the “hard-to-serve” Safety Net Family population in Westchester County by: 1) extending the end date from September 30, 2011 to December 31, 2011; 2) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$101,815 from a total not to exceed amount of \$506,615 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$608,430 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation.

Authorization is now requested to further amend the aforesaid agreement with the Urban League for the provision of various support services through a program called WRAPP for the “hard-to-serve” Safety Net Family population in Westchester County by: 1) extending the end date from December 31, 2011 to March 31, 2012; 2) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$101,200 from a total not to exceed amount of \$608,430 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$709,630 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation . The additional funding will be used to cover the cost associated with the services to be provided during the extended period. **The contract is being amended to allow time for the new vendor to get on board as a result of an RFP. The Department is requesting this transition period due to the complexities of the program design.**

The Public Purpose of the program is to assist the Safety Net Families population in the County of Westchester in acquiring the skills necessary for securing gainful employment, thus promoting the economic security of these individuals and ending welfare dependence.

The Goals and Objectives of this program are to provide case management and support services to the “hard to serve” Safety Net Families population who have exceeded their 5 year lifetime limit on TANF. These customers have several barriers to employment that may include: low education levels, few job skills, mental health problems, caring for a child with a health problem, criminal record, pregnancy, and transportation problems. Additional challenges faced by these customers include little or no work experience, physical health problems, learning disabilities, domestic violence as well as alcohol and drug dependence. This program was designed to provide employment related services necessary to address barriers and move these customers into employment.

The Goals and Objectives are in the best interest of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility in that the continued use of these support services may lead to job placement and self sufficiency, thus promoting the economic security of these individuals. The income received from employment may end or reduce dependence on Temporary Assistance.

The Performance Measurement Indicators will be tracked through the submission of monthly statistics and reports, as well as through direct contact with the Department’s Program Office. The performance data for the period from **September through October 2011** is as follows:

448 Customers served
110 Customers engaged in Community Work Experience
9 Customers enrolled in Occupational Training
17 Customers gained Employment

This agreement is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a) xiv.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the original agreement shall remain the same.

Accordingly, authority is requested to amend an agreement with the Urban League of Westchester County, Inc. for the reasons stated above.

An appropriate resolution is attached herewith for your Honorable Board's approval.

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 01/19/2012 - JOMARY VIEIRA, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to amend an agreement with the Urban League of Westchester County, Inc. for the provision of various support services through a program called WRAPP for the “hard-to-serve” Safety Net Families population in Westchester County for the program period July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011 for a total amount not to exceed \$608,430 by: 1) extending the end date from December 31, 2011 to March 31, 2012; and 2) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$101,200 from a total not to exceed \$608,430 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$709,630 to be paid pursuant to an approved program budget to cover the cost associated with the services to be provided during the extended period; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the original agreement as previously amended shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is empowered to execute all documents and take all actions necessary to effect the purpose of this resolution.

Original Contract Amount: \$404,800
 1st Amendment: \$101,815
 2nd Amendment: \$101,815
 This Amendment: **\$101,200**
 Total: \$709,630

Account to be
 Charged/Credited

	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	263	22	708K	4380	T708	\$101,200

Budget Funding Year(s): 2010 (Grant Year)
 (must match resolution)

Start Date: 7/1/10

End Date: 03/31/12

Funding Source

Tax Dollars:
 State Aid:
 Federal Aid: 100%
 Other:

\$101,200
 (must match resolution)