

Memorandum Youth Bureau

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FROM:

Authority to enter into an Agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. RE:

December 11, 2012

The Board of Acquisition and Contract

Dr. Iris T. Pagan, Executive Director

Vestchester County Youth Bureau

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approved budget. 💝

Authority is hereby requested for the County of Westchester to enter into an Agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. ("WJCS") to operate the Center Lane program, under a portion of the County's Youth Services Program funding for the program period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. The funding for this program will be provided by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 and by WJCS in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for a total program amount not to exceed \$100,000 payable pursuant to an approved budget.

2012 program description

This program will serve 50 youth ages 14-21. The program is designed to address risky behaviors by making available optimal physical & emotional health services, opportunities and supports by providing health education and self-esteem workshops.

2012 program outcomes

50, or 100% of the students enrolled in the Center Lane Program will be free from health risk behaviors as measured by The Individual Protective Factors Index (IPFI), a Measure of Adolescent Resiliency.

The program outcome as stated above will be tracked and monitored through monthly, quarterly and annual reports, Report Cards and by bi-yearly site visits from Youth Bureau Program Monitors.

This program was funded in 2011.

- 1. Youth who attended Center Lane activities 4 times or more per quarter (at least 12 times per year) were administered a post test to measure the youth's resiliency with regard to feelings of isolation. 56 youth tested reported decrease in feelings of isolation.
- 2. Youth who attended Center Lane activities 4 times or more per quarter (at least 12 times per year) were administered a post test to measure the youth's increase in self-esteem. Of the 56 youth tested 56 reported increased sense of self esteem.

3. Youth who attended Center Lane activities 4 times or more per quarter (at least 12 times per year) were administered a post test to measure utilization of healthy behaviors. Of the 56 youth tested, 53 reported increased use in positive coping skills, experience of positive/healthy relationships, as well as a reduction in substance use.

Pending an Act which is before the Westchester County Board of Legislators for approval, the County of Westchester is authorized to participate in a Resource Allocation Plan to provide State reimbursement for certain youth services programs which operate with funding provided by the County's Youth Services Program.

This Agreement is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to section 3(a)xviii thereof.

An appropriate Resolution is attached hereto for your Honorable Board's consideration.

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Executive Director of the Westchester County Youth Bureau, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. to operate the Center Lane Program for the program period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 in the total amount not-to-exceed One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars, payable pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this agreement is contingent on the Board of Legislators approving the necessary legislation to permit the County to participate in a Resource Allocation Plan to provide State reimbursement for these services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate their Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESCLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be, and hereby is, authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be charged/credited	Fund	Dept. code	Unit #	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
YS YS	263	11	188M	4380	T188	\$50,000
Budget Funding Year(s (must match resolution		2012	Start Date	<u>January 1, 2012</u>	End Date _D	December 31, 2012
Funding Source	Tax Dolla	rs\$				
	State Aid	\$50,000)			
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	Other	\$50,000				