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DATE: December 27, 2012

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Grant E. Mitchell, M.D.
Commissioner, Department of Community Mental Health

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Director, Office of the Disabled

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Coordinator, Office for Women

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into:

- 1) an agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc., pursuant to which the County will receive funds, in an amount not-to-exceed \$117,000, under a grant from the United States Department of Justice in order to provide certain education, training and/or enhanced services to end violence against and abuse of women with disabilities, for the term October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015.
- 2) a memorandum of understanding with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. and Westchester Independent Living Center, Inc., as the County's multidisciplinary collaborative partners under said grant, defining the respective responsibilities of the parties in providing the services to be funded by the grant, for the term October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015.

Authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Community Mental Health, its Office for Women, and its Office for the Disabled, (the "County") to enter into an agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. ("WestCOP"), pursuant to which the County will receive from WestCOP funds, in an amount not-to-exceed \$117,000, under a grant (the "Grant") from the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office On Violence Against Women, in order to provide certain education, training and/or enhanced services to end violence against and abuse of women with disabilities, for the term October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015 (the "WestCOP Agreement").

Authority is also respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to enter into a memorandum of understanding with WestCOP and Westchester Independent Living Center, Inc., as the County's multidisciplinary collaborative partners (the "Partners") under the Grant, for the term October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015 (the "MOU"). The MOU will define the respective responsibilities of the Partners and the County in providing the services to be funded by the Grant.

The proposed WestCOP Agreement will serve a public purpose by providing the County with Federal funds for education, training and/or enhanced services to end violence against and abuse of women with disabilities. The proposed MOU will serve a public purpose by defining the responsibilities of the Partners and the County in providing the services to be funded by the Grant.

The goal and objective of the proposed WestCOP Agreement is to provide the County with Federal funds for education, training and/or enhanced services to end violence against and abuse of women with disabilities. The goals and objectives of the proposed MOU are to define the responsibilities of the Partners and the County in providing the services to be funded by the Grant.

The goals and objectives of the proposed WestCOP Agreement are in the best interests of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility, as it will make available to the County federal funds for the aforementioned services. The goals and objectives of the proposed MOU are in the best interests of the County in terms of safety and security, as it will ensure that the Partners and the County provide their respective portion of the Grant-funded education, training and enhanced services being used to end violence against and abuse of women with disabilities.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements will be primarily tracked and monitored by the Department of Community Mental Health, but also be tracked and monitored by the County's Office for Women and the County's Office for the Disabled.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

GEM/TP/bdm/nn

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Community Mental Health, the Director of the Office of Disabled and the Coordinator of the Office of Women, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. ("WestCOP"), pursuant to which the County will receive from WestCOP funds, in an amount not-to-exceed \$117,000, under a grant (the "Grant") from the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office On Violence Against Women, in order to provide certain education, training and/or enhanced services to end violence against and abuse of women with disabilities, for the term October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County is hereby authorized to enter into a memorandum of understanding with WestCOP and Westchester Independent Living Center, Inc., as the County's multidisciplinary collaborative partners (the "Partners") under the Grant, for the term from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015, and pursuant to which the respective responsibilities of the Partners and the County in providing the services to be funded by the Grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is hereby authorized to take such action and execute such documents as may be necessary and proper to effect the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Unit	Object/ Sub Object/	Trust Account	Activity	Dollars
263	26	485M	Various	T485	4000	\$39,000
263	26	485N	Various	T485	4000	\$39,000
263	26	485O	Various	T485	4000	\$39,000

Budget Funding Year(s) 2012-2015 Start Date: 10/01/12 End Date: 09/30/15
(must match resolution)

Funding Source:	Tax Dollars	_____
	State Aid	_____
	Federal Aid	<u>\$117,000</u>
	Other	_____

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